



Reception Class Spring Term Newsletter

18 January 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope you have had a restful holiday and that you and the children are ready for another busy and exciting term!

Curriculum

Our main topic this term is 'My World, Your World'. If you have any books/artefacts we could use for this topic then please send them in for us to borrow (please ensure they are clearly marked). See the Curriculum map attached for more details on each curriculum area.

Reading books and phonics

The children will change their books weekly with an adult, although they can be changed more regularly if placed in the 'change my book' box which is placed on the shelf near the door. All children will need to bring their **book bag** and **reading record** every day. We will continue to write sounds of the week in reading records but as the weeks continue, you will find that the sounds we will be practising will not necessarily be sounds that you might find at the beginning of words so we will not be expecting objects to be brought in for the sound table every week.

Family Reading

Family reading will take place on the first Friday of each month starting from 1st February 2019.

We would love parents/ carers or relatives to join us at the end of the day on a Friday for Family Reading at **2.45pm-3.10pm**.

Home Learning

We will, occasionally, send a short task to aid/extend the children's learning in areas we are focusing on. Other than the set tasks, we would just like you to spend time talking to your children about their interests to increase their ability to speak and listen with confidence and play with your children as this is the best way to enable them to learn!

PE and clothing

PE will be on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school all week as PE days do occasionally have to change. PE kit includes: white and green t-shirt with a school logo (ordered from Stevensons) or a plain white T shirt, black shorts and/or tracksuit bottoms/leggings (in navy or black) and trainers/plimsolls (to change into). The children will also take part in the daily mile. **Please ensure all PE kit and uniform is named.**

As the children spend a substantial amount of time in the outdoor area, we ask that all children have a set of outdoor shoes/wellies in school, which can be kept in the classroom under their peg, to change into when going out to play.

Craft and cooking contribution

For craft and cooking money this term, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £5.00. Please return this in the envelope provided as soon as possible.

Class Assembly

You are invited to come and watch our Class Assembly on **Thursday 21st March 2019 at 9:15am**. Assemblies last approximately 15 minutes and you may come and take a seat in the hall straight after dropping your child off in the morning.

Finally, we would like to say a huge 'Thank you' for all the amazing gifts, cards and kind words at the end of last term! We were truly overwhelmed!



DATES FOR THE TERM:

Family reading- 1st Feb, 1st March.

Parent Consultations- 6th and 7th February (letter to follow shortly)

Class Assembly- 21st March 2019

Building Blocks- dates for the next sessions will be confirmed shortly

Best wishes for the term ahead and thank you for your continued support

The Reception Team