



Reception Autumn 2—2025 Newsletter



The first term has flown by and as we reflect on the first 7 weeks, it's hard to believe that the children have only been in school for a short time. They are beginning to get to grips with new routines, the environment and the expectations. It has been a busy term and we would like to thank you for supporting us and your child with the home learning to help them settle in and be ready for school each day. We have had a lot of fun on the way as we make new friends, learn our new sounds getting us ready to become little readers and writers. Here are a few photo's of us in action across the first few weeks.



Curriculum- What will the children be learning this term?

Below is a brief overview of what we will be learning this term. Our Topic is all about Time detectives. We have lots of interesting and exciting activities planned for the children.

Week	Topic	Literacy	Phonics	Maths	Other
1 3/11/25	Bonfire Night- Why do we celebrate bonfire night?	Traditional tales 3 little pigs	ff ss ll j	It's me—1,2,3 (counting, subitising, composing, identifying more/less)	Monday 3rd— Children back to school
2 10/11/25	Florence Nightingale – How did Florence help make hospitals better today?	3 little pigs	v w x y	It's me—1,2,3 (counting, subitising, composing, identifying more/less)	Friday 14th—Children in Need
3 17/11/25	Space / Neil Armstrong What is it like to be in space? Who is Neil Armstrong? PPA - Remembrance	Little red riding hood	z zz qu	Circles and Triangles	Monday 17th— Individual Photographs
4 24/11/25	Where have all the dinosaurs gone?	Little red riding hood	sh th ng nk	Numbers - 1,2,3,4,5 (counting, subitising, composing, identifying more/less, bonds)	
5 1/12/25	What were toys like over 100 years ago?	Goldilocks	words ending in s	Numbers - 1,2,3,4,5 (counting, subitising, composing, identifying more/less, bonds)	
6 8/12/25	How did people wash their clothes over a 100 years ago? How do we wash our clothes now?	Goldilocks	words ending in s /z/	Shapes with 4 sides	Christmas Jumper & Christmas Film Night - 11th Dec Nativity Performances 9/10/11.12.2025
7 15/12/25	Christmas	Nativity Story	Review and assess	Review	Christmas Party—18th Dec Break up on Friday 19th Dec

Nativity

The children will all take part in our Nativity, which we will then perform to parents on Tues 9th, Weds 10th and Thurs 11th of December. Our Nativity will be joint with the children in Year 1 and 2. Further details to be confirmed shortly for timings and tickets.



Class Dojo

Class dojo is now fully a part of our daily life in Reception. We use class dojo as our school based reward system. Each time the children reach 50 points, they can claim a prize. For rewards such as children selecting non-uniform days we will send a slip with a date on for them to redeem it on. We will continue to use the newsletter, website, X and text service as our usual method of communication. We do not use class dojo for messaging so please continue to use these instead. Thank you.



Christmas Party

On Thursday 18th December children are invited to come to school in party clothes/ Christmas jumper. Please be mindful of clothing as we will still have lots of activities running during the day including paint!



Non- uniform Days

When your child comes to school in non uniform for a dojo reward please can we ask that you consider the ease of your child getting to the toilet in their clothes, onesies are really tricky for them. Also please no laces unless your child can tie them independently as it is really difficult when we have to keep stopping teaching to tie laces.

Thank you in advance

Reminders

Birthday Sweets

As a healthy eating school we are unable to give out sweets at the end of the school day. We celebrate birthdays with songs and a chance to tell us about any presents or parties in the day as part of our usual routine. Please could these be saved to be given out at another time; such as at any parties.

Important Dates

Start of term—Mon 3rd Nov

Children in Need — Fri 14th Nov

Individual Photo Day— Mon 17th Nov

Nativity Performance— Tues 9th Dec- 2:30pm

Nativity Performance—Wed 10th Dec— 9:20am

Nativity Performance—Thu 11th Dec— 9:20am

Christmas Jumper Day—Thu 11th Dec

Christmas Film Night—Thu 11th Dec

Class Party—Thurs 18th Dec

Break up for Christmas—Fri 19th Dec