

# Reception - Curriculum Letter

## Summer 2

The following are some of the things we will be learning about this half term...



**English...** Our topic is 'Holidays' and we will once again be linking it to our exciting 'Power of Reading' sessions. We will spend up to 2-3 weeks looking at one book and will focus on improving children's speaking and listening skills.

The children are making good progress in their phonics groups and the daily lessons are fast-paced, interactive and most of all, fun! They will continue to be assessed regularly so that they are taking part in activities relevant to their reading level.

This term we will continue to focus on using our phonic knowledge and knowledge of high frequency words to write for different purposes. We hope to engage the children in a variety of writing opportunities – story maps, character descriptions, labelled drawings etc. We will be updating the children's 100 high frequency word sheets and assessing how many words they now know. Please continue to practice reading and writing these words and encourage your child to hold their pencil appropriately and form the letters correctly.



**Maths...** We will be using manipulatives (Numicon, multilink, etc.) to reinforce the value of numbers and to solve addition and subtraction problems.

We will be reciting numbers to 100 and practising counting on and back from a given number. We will begin to learn how to count in 2's 5's and 10's. You can help to reinforce this at home by counting with your child and looking at the patterns in numbers together. We will be focusing on learning to write numerals 0-20 and beyond. Please continue to reinforce this at home and play plenty of number games as well as looking for numbers when you are out and about too. We will be using positional language to make up routes and describe journeys. We will use shapes to make pictures and patterns.



### Personal and Social Development...

We will make links to our topic through discussion of different countries and communities from around the world. We will be going on another trip to the park to look at the change in seasons. We are also planning an end of year trip to celebrate the children's achievements. We will continue to use circle time activities to talk about our feelings and discuss how we can overcome any worries or fears about the transition into Year 1. We will be starting to prepare the children for the transition into Year 1. The children are going to be attending whole school assemblies Mondays and Fridays as well as visiting the KS1 and KS2 playground and classrooms for some teaching sessions.



### Topic Focus –Holidays!

We will be looking at different types of holidays, places and countries you might visit. We will also be talking about different trips, outings and activities you might do on holiday. We will be discussing weather and what clothes to pack in your suitcase depending on the temperature. There will be plenty of reading and writing opportunities in this topic such as writing postcards, reading maps and planning journeys. The children will have lots of opportunities to explore the topic creatively through our Role Play areas and through art and craft and music activities.

### Ideas for Activities & Visits Outside School..

Please listen to your child read at home as often as you can – they love to show their new reading books to you. Daily reading helps with their learning development – Remember to visit the library, it is free!

Please help us by taking photos and videos of things you do at home, and any learning your child is involved in - share them with us on Tapestry. Talk to your child about these experiences so that they can share them with the rest of the class and encourage them to speak in full sentences using the correct tense. For example; "Last summer, we visited France and went to the beach"

Please carry on singing with your children as this is a great way to extend their language. Practise songs and nursery rhymes and ask the children about the topic related songs that they have learnt. You can even make up your own versions!

Thank you for your continued support.