Reception Newsletter

Autumn Term November 2026

We are incredibly proud of all the children for such a fantastic first term! It has been wonderful to see them settling into school life, growing in confidence and embracing new experiences.

We can't wait to begin Autumn 2 and look forward to another exciting term filled with lots of learning, playful exploration and fun. We're excited to see all the wonderful things the children will continue to achieve!

To help support the children's learning as much as possible, we kindly ask that you practise their phonics sounds at home. Little and often makes a big difference and will help the children build confidence in recognising and using their sounds. Thank you for your continued support!

PE days

The children will continue to have a PE lesson every Friday. We ask that the children come to school wearing their PE kit - plain, white cotton t-shirt, black hoodie or sweatshirt, black leggings, joggers or shorts and plain, black trainers or pumps. Black pumps need to be kept in school in a drawstring bag. Please make sure that you write your child's name in every item.

Upcoming events & other news

The children will be performing the Christmas nativity on Wednesday 16th December. Parents are invited to this event. Children may receive a small line to learn.

What we're learning this half term

English

This term in Literacy, we will be starting our exciting new topic, Superhumans! We will be exploring a range of stories about everyday heroes who help us in our daily lives, from vets and doctors to other important people in our community. We will kick off our learning with the lovely story Mog and the Vet, which will inspire lots of exciting discussions, activities and opportunities for the children to develop their speaking, listening and early writing skills. We will continue to learn all set 1 sounds in phonics and begin to write cvc words.

Maths

This term in maths, we will be exploring the concepts of more and less and developing our understanding of numbers to 5. The children will practise recognising and writing numerals, as well as exploring how numbers can be made up of different amounts (number composition). Through fun, hands-on number games and exciting maths activities linked to our key stories, we will help the children build their confidence, develop their mathematical thinking and deepen their understanding of numbers to 5.

Understanding the World

This term, we will be exploring a range of exciting celebrations, including Diwali, Bonfire Night and Christmas. We will learn about how people celebrate these special occasions and discover the different traditions associated with each one.

We will also be learning about the important people in our community who help us every day, such as vets, doctors, teachers and police officers. The children will have opportunities to talk about the different roles people play, how they help us and what they might like to be when they grow up. We look forward to lots of exciting discussions, imaginative play and learning about the world around us!