



WELCOME TO THE SPRING TERM IN RECEPTION!

The staff in Reception this year are:

Catherine Beckford	Class Teacher
Shainey Wasik	Class Teacher
Sarah Cobb	FS Coordinator & <i>Read Write Inc.</i> Manager
Nasima Yeasim	Early Years Educator
Nazia Begum	Early Years Educator
Nathaniel Thompson	Teaching Assistant
Shopna Khan	Teaching Assistant
Roushanara Khanom	Teaching Assistant

DATES AND REMINDERS

- ◆ All children are required to wear a full school uniform.
- ◆ Please ensure children arrive by 9.00 am.
- ◆ Please ensure all clothing is labeled with your child's name.
- ◆ Please remember to provide your child with a coat. To enable your child to enjoy the outside area at all times, it would be helpful to have wellies, a scarf and gloves.
- ◆ The last day of Spring term is Friday 4 April 2014

I will be learning...

COMMUNICATION & LANGUAGE AND LITERACY

We will be building on children's phonics knowledge from the Autumn term and encouraging them to read and write independently. We will be focusing on 'Dinosaurs', linked to our trip to the Natural History Museum. Please ensure your child has their book bag and reading diary every day.



MATHEMATICS

We will be developing our knowledge of numbers, space, shape and measure. Children will be learning to calculate with numbers. We will use the outside area to focus on problem solving, shapes and positional language.

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

We will be learning the names and different characteristics of dinosaurs. We will be exploring changes in the seasons and natural environment.

EXPRESSIVE ARTS AND DESIGN

We will be using a range of media to create dinosaurs. We will also be exploring rhythm-making and singing during African drumming lessons.

I.C.T.

We will be building on the children's existing ICT skills and widening their experience of various ICT equipment.



PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Please encourage children to be as independent as possible when they arrive at school. Within the classroom they will be working hard to follow the rules of the setting and take responsibility for their actions.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT



We will be developing children's physical skills using the apparatus. We will be focusing on climbing, jumping and landing appropriately.

We will have P.E. on Mondays, please ensure your child has a full kit.

OUR TOPIC

Our topic this half term is 'Dinosaurs'.

Dear Parents and Carers...

We work in partnership with you to make your child's experience in Reception a happy one. We encourage our parents/carers to:

- Develop a good routine to ensure your child arrives at school on time.
- Ensure your child has plenty of sleep, we recommend bedtime at 7:00pm and **NO LATER THAN 8pm.**
- Make sure your child eats a healthy breakfast before school.
- Support your child to become independent by helping them practice putting on/taking off all of their clothes during daily routines.
- Show an interest in your child's day and talk about what they have been learning.

PARENT/CARER WORKSHOPS...

Keep an eye out for letters regarding Parent/Carer workshops. If there are any areas of your child's learning you would like help with, please let us know and we may be able to arrange a workshop to assist other parents too.

Parents/Carers will be invited in to discuss their child's interests and progress once every term. Parent/Carers' evening is: Thursday 27 March 2014

If you have any questions/queries, please do not hesitate to ask.

What you will need ...

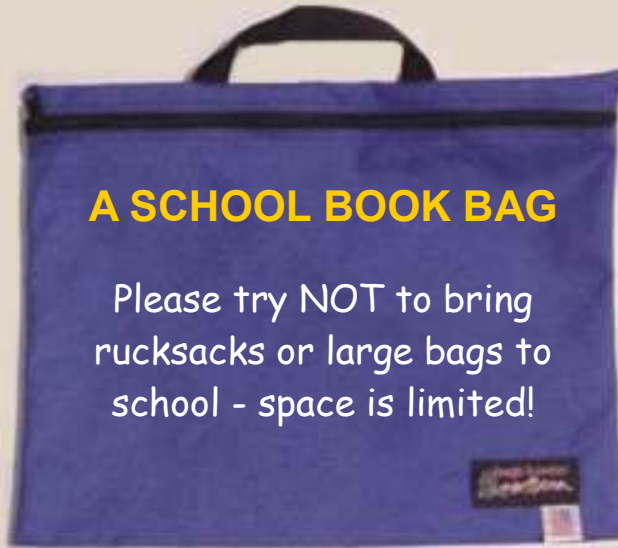


SCHOOL SHOES

Plimsolls or lace-ups. Trainers can be worn, as long as they are completely black.

P.E. KIT

Shorts, T-shirt, plimsolls or trainers in a small bag - drawstring if possible.



A SCHOOL BOOK BAG

Please try NOT to bring rucksacks or large bags to school - space is limited!

MARY the
COOK

MRS KEMP

Please **remember** to label everything with your name - especially sweatshirts, PE kits and coats!



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