

WELCOME TO SUMMER TERM IN RECEPTION

The staff in Reception this term are:



- ◆ Catherine Beckford Class Teacher
- ◆ Shainey Wasik, Class Teacher
- ◆ Sarah Cobb, Read Write Inc Manager
- ◆ Natalie Meiners, Early Years Educator
- ◆ Nazia Begum, Early Years Educator
- ◆ Sherina Buchanan, Teaching Assistant
- ◆ Charlie Pryer, Teaching Assistant

Dates and Reminders

- ◆ All children are required to wear full school uniform
- ◆ Handwriting sessions with parents start at 8.50 and run until 9.10
- ◆ Please ensure all clothing is labeled with your child's name
- ◆ During periods of hot weather, please put sun cream on your child and ensure they have sun hats
- ◆ Please remember PE kits every Monday.
- ◆ Our last day of school before half term is Friday 24 May 2013.
- ◆ The last day of Summer term is Wednesday 24 July 2013.

I will be learning...

Communication & Language, and Literacy:

We will be building on children's phonics knowledge from the Spring term and encouraging them to read and write independently. We will be focusing on using story language through stories such as 'What the Ladybird Heard' and 'The Princess and the Pea.'



Mathematics: Children will be developing their knowledge of number, shape and calculation, using addition, subtraction and division. We will be learning how to problem solve using resources such as weight and money. We will be recognising 'more' and 'less' and learning how to calculate the difference.



Understanding the World: Our theme this half term is 'farms and crops', we will be visiting Mudchute Farm to explore the animals in their environment. We will also be planting sweet peas and observing them growing.



Expressive Arts and Design: This term, the children will be sewing their own ladybird puppets, as well as creating their own textured collages of a farm scene.

I.C.T. We will be building on the children's existing ICT skills by developing their mouse skills and encouraging their independence when using age-appropriate software.



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 building new friendships. This term we will be focusing on conflict resolution and how our actions can hurt others. In addition children will be talking about their identity.

Physical Development

This term we will be practising athletics in preparation for sports day!

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



Our Topic:

Our topic this half term is 'Farming and Crops'.

FOR MUM & DAD...

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

◆ Develop a good routine to ensure your child arrives at school on time.

◆ Ensure your child has plenty of sleep, we recommend bed-time at seven 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 taking on and off all of their clothes during daily routines.

◆ Please ensure your child has their reading diary and changes their book on the correct day.

Parent Workshops!

Keep an eye out for letters regarding parent 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 will be invited in to discuss their child's interests and progress once every term. Parents evening is Wednesday 17 July 2013

◆ Show an interest in your child's day and talk about what they have learnt, **pop in and ask too!**



Things you will need in Reception...

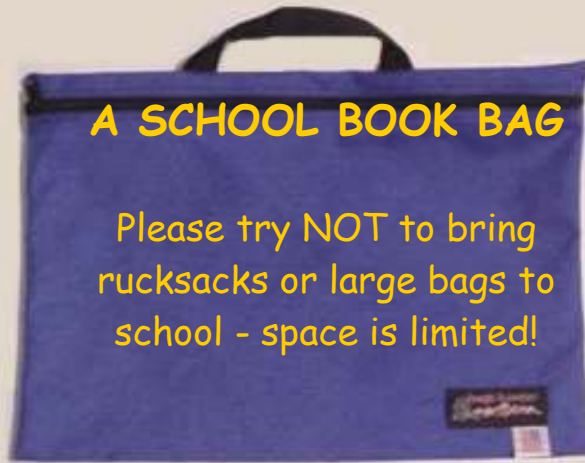


SCHOOL SHOES

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

WEATHER

Please ensure your child brings a coat and a sun hat when appropriate.



J. BLOGGS

MRS KEMP

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



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