

Reception Newsletter – Term 1



Willow:

Mon – Fri: Miss Hurford
PPA cover: Mrs Wells
TAs: Miss Lawlee & Miss Douglas



Willow:

Mon – Thurs: Mrs Matthews
PPA cover & Fridays: Mrs Bolejko
TAs: Mrs Underwood & Mrs Bauckham

Traditional Tales

English

In English, we will be reading *The Gingerbread Man* by Mara Alperin. We will be learning about the characters and what they do, the setting and as the term goes on, we will begin to write simple words. We will also sequence the story and make predictions about what might happen next.

Maths

In Maths this term, children will build on previous experiences of number from their home and nursery environments, and further develop their subitising and counting skills. They will explore the composition of numbers within 5. They will begin to compare sets of objects and use the language of comparison.

Phonics and Reading

We teach Phonics following *Little Wandle*, starting with Phase 2 GPCs (grapheme phoneme correspondence). Children will have phonics lessons everyday and they will read at school three times a week. We ask that you also read with your children when they bring their reading books home and write that you have done so in their orange reading record books. Reading books are collected in on Wednesday and a new book is given on Friday. In addition to this they are given a 'Treasure Chest Book' this is a book for you to share together, these are to be returned and changed on Monday.

Reception Baseline Assessment

Over the term, the children will complete a statutory 1:1 assessment, which is designed to give a snap shot of what children can do when they start school. The focus is on early maths, language and literacy skills.

RE

In RE, this term we will be learning 'Who is God?' and about Creation and how to care for our wonderful world.

PSED

This term in PSED, the children will be learning about emotions and how to recognise and respond to the feelings of others. They will explore the importance of respect and resilience. We will also introduce the concept of risk, helping children to recognise risky situations and learn ways to manage them safely and confidently.

Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design

We will be learning about the changes in Autumn and look at our surroundings, we will draw maps and learn about families. We will sing songs, create collage gingerbread men and learn about mixing colours of paint.

PE and Forest school

This term's schedule looks as follows:

Magnolia Class

Monday 14th September, Monday 28th September & Monday 12th October

Willow Class

Monday 21st September, Monday 5th October & Monday 19th October

Magnolia Class and **Willow Class** have PE on Fridays. Your child should wear PE kit into school on their PE day and suitable clothes for Forest School on those days. See separate letter.

Term 1 Christian Value is 'Koinonia'

"May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all" 2 Corinthians 13:14

Please make sure your child brings in their reading record and reading book **EVERYDAY**.

They need a named drink bottle, this should contain only **water**. Please ensure your child has a **named pair of wellies** and a **complete change of clothes** in school at all times. Thank you.