

Early Years Foundation Stage

Autumn Term Curriculum Letter



Welcome back to everyone and a very warm welcome to all our new families. The children all look very smart in their uniforms. We look forward to working with you over this year. This term we will be ensuring all children are supported during their transition into reception and we thank you for your support.

This term the children will start weeding and preparing the planting areas for spring. We also have some tomatoes that have grown over the summer which we will try! The children will be cooking throughout the term and we would be very grateful for a donation of £2 a term to make this possible.

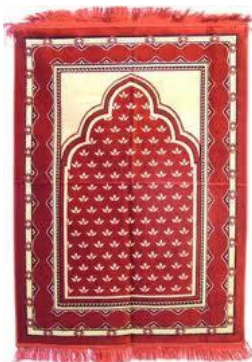


Every Child a Talker

We will be continuing to focus on developing the children's language skills. Remember that talking to your child about everyday things will encourage them to ask questions - essential for them to learn to read, write and understand mathematics.

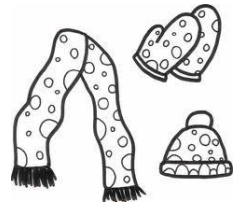
Festivals

This term we will be learning about Eid, Diwali and Christmas and would welcome your involvement and knowledge. We will be sharing stories, dressing up and festival foods to explore the different faiths.



Outdoor Learning

As part of the EYFS curriculum the children will have the opportunity to be outside for a large part of the day. Now that the weather is getting colder, please make sure that your child has warm clothing, a hat and gloves that are **all named**. We can provide boots and waterproofs for rainy weather.



Reading

It is very important that you read books every day to your child. Book bags must be brought into school everyday. Reception children will be beginning 'Phase 2' of 'Letters and Sounds' and will be learning to recognise letter sounds and read words. Inside the book bag should be two books: one book they have chosen to enjoy themselves and for you to read to them, and one book which has a colour band. This book has been selected by the teacher and your child should be able to share it with an adult or older child.



Learning Journeys

Every child has their own 'Learning Journey', a file that contains observations and photos of them that enables us to follow the progress they make. We very much welcome your contributions - please talk to your child's teachers about anything new they are doing at home or any important events. We would also welcome any photos from home that could contribute to the learning journey (e.g. a family wedding, religious celebration, trip to the park). Please pop in any time to see your child's learning journey.

Events to look forward to

Reception will be visiting the library this term. This will be a free trip and will need lots of parent volunteers to help. We also have an exciting maths challenge morning coming up - don't forget to ask your children about the maths they are learning! At the end of term we will be joining KS1 to perform a Christmas play.

Ms. Mercer, Mrs. Crabtree, Miss Barrow and Ms. Walker