

Reception Spring 2 Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome to the second half of Spring term

We hope you all had a lovely half term. We cannot believe we are halfway through the school year! This half term sees us planting vegetables, animal observations, sending postcards and our very first school trip! Details of the school trip have been sent out on School Spider.

Mrs Grainger

Communication & Language

We will be practising making comments in response to what we have heard and asking questions. We will also be aiming to use new vocabulary in our explanations. We will utilise time in Show & Tell to practise our Oracy skills.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will be looking at best our best selves, focusing on bouncing back when things go wrong, healthy eating, a healthy mind and a good night's sleep.

Physical Development

We will work on our fine and gross motor skills in continuous provision daily.

In PE, Mr Ridge will be continuing to teach us fundamental movement skills. We will be focusing on different ways of travelling.

Literacy

This half term will continue learning Phase 3 phonic sounds and tricky words. We will be reading stories about vegetables and animals – writing our own narratives and sending postcards home!

Maths

We will continue to develop our subitising and counting skills and explore the composition of numbers within and beyond 5. We will begin to identify when two sets are equal or unequal and connect two equal groups to doubles. We will begin to connect quantities to numerals.

Understanding the World

We will be carrying out plant and animal observations. We will be planting radishes and watching them grow. We will be exploring animal diets, their habitats and animals and their young.

Expressive Art & Design

This half term, we will be creating sculptures! We will explore sculpting with different media before creating our final sculpture using playdough. This is always a wonderful topic which brings out the children's creative and imaginative skills!

Reminders

School Lunches – Please ensure to pre-order your child's school lunch.

Book Bags – Please can you ensure your child brings their Harris book bag to school every day. This must be clearly labelled with their name.

Reading Packs – Please ensure your child's plastic wallet containing their reading diary, library book and reading book (if they have been given one) comes into school each day.

PE – PE is on Thursday mornings. PE kits are to be kept in school during the half term. Long hair must be tied back and earrings must be removed or covered up. Please name your child's tracksuit and trainers!

Show & Tell – Show and Tell will be held on Wednesday afternoons. Your child is invited to bring in **one** small item to share with their key worker group.

Names – *Please remember to write/stick your child's name on all their belongings, including water bottles, shoes, hats, gloves and scarves. Children can become upset when they cannot find their own belongings and all the jumpers/cardigans look the same!*