

Reception Class



Meet the Staff

- Mrs Lawton- class teacher



- Miss Fitton- Teaching assistant



- Mrs Herbert Jackson- PPA cover (Tuesday afternoons)



Times of the day

8:50 register, lunch choices

9:00 Worship/School worship

9:15 phonics and maths

10:15 playtime

10:30 Literacy then busy time

11:40 story, hand wash and toilet

12:00 lunch

1:00 registration and afternoon session (learning focus, PE, RE, French etc)

2:00 playtime

2:10 afternoon input (dough disco, oral story telling, music etc.)

2:50 story and getting ready for home

3:15 home time

Daily routines

- **Phonics**- Each morning we do phonics sessions and literacy.
- **Reading**- Through the week all children will complete 2 shared read sessions in a small group and will then read with a teacher. This 1:1 read will either be reading a book or reading tricky words.
- **Assemblies**- We will join assemblies this week so these will be built into the children's day. We didn't join straight away so that we can build up the timetable for them. Children may enjoy talking about assemblies at home.
- **Busy time**- during the school day after learning times have finished children go to 'busy time'. This is their 'choose time' to learn and complete activities and challenges set out. They can choose inside or out to get busy and are encouraged to go in different areas for example, not always in the block area or construction.

Topics

- Autumn 1- All about me and Friendships
- Autumn 2- Diwali and Celebrations
- Spring 1- Winter, Chinese New Year and Superheroes
- Spring 2- Weather, Springtime and Easter
- Summer 1-Under the Sea and Life cycles (caterpillars)
- Summer 2-Pirates and Transition

Parent overviews will be sent out at the start of each half term and shared on school website.

Trips

- We will go to the **panto** in December with the whole school! Lovely first school trip.
- **Aquarium visit** either end of spring term or start of summer.
- Hands on **bug workshop**. It was great this year so we would like to book that again.

Expectations from parents

Homework

Children will have a homework grid. These can be completed once a week or a few in one go. The homework will be due in the Monday of the last week of half term. Pictures can be shared on Tapestry if you like- not everything needs to be recorded in book. Homework books can stay at home until they are due in- not in book bags as will get scruffy.

Reading

Children will be bringing home a book each week which they choose from our 'books we love' that they can share with parents. Reading with your child really helps their phonics and comprehension.

Children will be reading wordless books in school during shared read.

Planners

We would ask that you write any messages or notes in the children's planners. These get checked each morning so we can read it and respond if needed. Tapestry isn't always checked daily so planners or emails are better.

Tapestry



- Tapestry is a great way of sharing learning so please ensure you check each week. We will post observations and share pictures of things the children have been busy doing.
- Remember not to share pictures on social media or anywhere else as these pictures are of your own children and others.
- Parents can upload observations. We may not have time to always show things each week, but if your child does anything exciting that they want to share, then please post. We share as often as possible.
- If you struggle with access to Tapestry please contact myself or the school office.

Reminders

- **Lunches-** Children can have hot or cold lunch. This can change each day if needed based on the lunch choices that week. Children tell us in the morning what they are having so it is no problem to swap and change. They are free so try them!
- **Snack-** Children are given fruit in the morning but can bring their own snack for the afternoon playtime. Healthy snack please. No nuts.
- **PE-** each Thursday. Children to come in wearing their PE for now.
- **Book bags and not large bags.** During the school day children put pictures in their bookbags and get out their snack for afternoon break. We don't need bags for anything else. Spare clothes can be left on pegs if needed.
- **Names please!** Still many jumpers and cardigans with no names. It is impossible for them to be returned with no name if they have been left outside or around school.



Contacting us

- If you need to contact school or teacher you can do this by:
 - Phoning or contacting the school office
admin@stapeleybl.cheshire.sch.uk
 - Email me directly on mlawton@stapeleybl.cheshire.sch.uk
 - Write a note in planners
 - Talk to us on the gate to arrange the best time to talk.

Please feel free to catch me
at the end if you have any
questions.

Thank you