

Half Termly Newsletter



Year group: Reception

Teachers/Support Staff: Reception Brownlee-Mrs Wilkinson & Mrs Jakeman, Mrs Mahmood.

Reception Findlay-Mrs Hardy and Mrs Goldsmith.

Term: Spring 2 **Topic:** I wonder how things grow and change?

Reading at home

Children receive a new reading book to take home once a week. Please try to share the book with your child **3 times** a week. Write in the yellow diary when you have read. Children who read at home make better progress!

Phonics

We will continue with our daily phonics lessons and are learning Phase 2 sounds, starting with ch, sh, th, ve, wh, cks, tch, nk. Look for letters and sounds at home and when you are out and about. Use your flashcards to practise your sounds.

Our topic: 'I wonder how things grow and change?'

We are using the storybooks 'The Little Red Hen Makes a Pizza', 'Oliver's Vegetables' and 'Tad' to talk about life cycles and growing. Can you find out how tadpoles become frogs? How does a seed grow into a flower or vegetable?

Maths

We are using our knowledge of 5 to help us with other numbers e.g. 5 and 1 is 6, 5 and 2 is 7, 5 and 3 is 8 and so on. We will continue to talk about how 2 parts make a whole number and we will be investigating doubles as well.

Homework

Please practise reading Tricky Words at home with your child. We're also having a push on handwriting as well. Please practise forming lower case letters correctly at home, especially the letters in your child's name.

Reminders

School opening hours **8:45 - 3:15**.

P.E. is on **Tuesdays** this half term for all Reception children.

Children should be bringing P.E. kits into school in bags so they can practise getting changed. Self-care is part of our Early Years curriculum.

'Reading for Pleasure' books can be taken on Fridays and returned the following Thursday.

Diary Dates: Monday 23rd March Reception Reading Event 'Books, Bagels & Biscuits' for parents/carers 8:45-9:30. More details to follow.