

Reception Newsletter

Our School Rules

Be safe. Be kind.



Be responsible.



Welcome to Summer!

Welcome to the third and final term in reception. The children are working hard and have made good progress with their learning. It's lovely to see the children adopt a 'can do' approach to their learning and to develop their independence skills

Now the warmer weather is approaching please remember to apply sun cream to your child **before** the start of the school day and provide a (named) sun hat.

Weekly homework sheets will also be sent to consolidate our Phonics learning.

Important dates

Bank Holiday

Monday 4th May

Half Term

Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May 2026

Remaining Non-Pupil Days

Friday 5th June 2026

Monday 20th July 2026

Animal Encounter Day

Wednesday 17th June 2026 (letter to follow)

Our learning this term

'On the Farm'

Our topic for this half term is 'On the Farm'. We will be learning about the different types of animals that live on a farm and how a farm operates. We will be learning about the different types of food groups there are and about how to grow vegetables.

Maths – we will continue learning how to build different compositions of numbers up to 10. The children will learn how to show this on a tens frame and subitise numbers up to 10. Comparing lengths, heights and weights is also taught over this next half term.

Writing – we will use our phonics knowledge to write initial sounds, labels, caption, simple sentences and some longer sentences that include punctuation.

Phonics – We have learnt individual sounds and are now learning digraphs and trigraphs with our Phonics scheme 'Little Wandle' and are beginning to learn to read and write longer words.

PHSE – we will be learning about building and maintaining relationships with our families and friends.

Polite Reminder

Please make sure all of your child's belongings are labelled, including uniform, water bottles, lunch boxes, coats, book bags and messy play clothes.

In other news...

Toys in School

We are seeing an increasing number of children bringing toys, gadgets and other items into school. Please encourage your child to leave these items at home. If they are brought into school, there is a risk they will be lost or broken.

Tapestry and Arbor

A polite reminder that the school policy states for parents and carers to send any messages to staff concerning your child on Tapestry. Appointments can be made to speak to the class teacher after school. The morning is time for the staff to settle the children as they come into the classroom. All communication will be via Arbor or Tapestry for Reception classes.

Home learning

Thank you to all of the children who have been completing their home learning sheets. This is great consolidation of what we have been learning in class.

Please remember to read with your child at least 3 times a week. This can be any type of reading, and any book of their own choosing.

It will be also beneficial to practice some of the following with your child:

- Practise name writing and name recognition.
- Play games to encourage turn taking and sharing.
- Practise letter formation of the letters that have been taught so far.

Please remember to write in your child's Reading Diary so that we know they have read at home.

SAFETY REMINDERS

We would politely like to remind you that we are a **nut free school** and there are children within our cohort with severe nut allergies that require epi-pens. Please refrain from sending in foods that contain nuts or nut traces.

Drinks: Please supply **water** in a **named water bottle** for children to drink throughout the day. They will be encouraged to drink and go to the toilet frequently. No fruit shoots, energy drinks or pure juice please.

Sweets: As a healthy school we do not permit children to bring sweets in lunch boxes or pockets.

PE : The wearing of earrings is not permitted for PE lessons as we need to keep your children safe. Please ensure earrings are removed on PE days.

P.E. in Reception

Our PE day is: Friday

The children can come to school in their P.E. kits and stay in them for the whole day.

The P.E. kit is:

white polo top black shorts trainers or plimsolls
White Hall jumper jogging bottoms