

Summer 2025 – Curriculum News

April 2025

We hope you had a fantastic spring break and the children managed to get some well-deserved rest, whilst eating chocolate! We are looking forward to the Summer Term with more exciting learning opportunities for the Reception children. Our key texts this term will support our Foundational Knowledge learning which covers areas of learning from the Early Years Foundation Stage such as Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design. The children will continue to take part in a range of engaging cross-curricular activities to enhance their understanding of each theme. This term we will also be going on a school trip and we are looking forward to sharing details with you soon.

PE

PE will be on a Tuesday and will be led by our PE specialist Mr Newson. Please make sure your child comes to school dressed in a full PE kit including appropriate footwear. Our PE session will be outside so please ensure your child has suitable clothing. Long hair must be tied up and earrings need to be removed for safety reasons. If a child comes in wearing earrings they will not be allowed to take part.



Reading

We will continue to read with your child three times a week through guided reading groups. Please ensure your child has their reading book in their bag every Monday as this is when we will collect in books and then send a new one home on a Wednesday. Don't forget to record in the reading log every time you hear your child read. To become a 'Reading Champion' your child must read at least three times a week at home.

This term we will be visiting the library on a Friday so please ensure your child's previous library book is in their bag ready to be changed on this day.

Tricky Words

Please use the tricky word sheet which has been uploaded to Showbie to practise reading and 'tricky' words. We will be learning some new 'tricky' words this term.



Literacy

This term we will be focusing on the Early Learning Goals for literacy. We will be practising writing sentences regularly but most importantly building children's independence in doing this. Sentences will include using irregular (tricky) words such as 'said' and 'like'. In phonics we have moved on to Phase 4 of our Phonics scheme where we will be embedding our Phonics skills. We will be focusing on developing children's stamina for writing and offering opportunities for story writing.



Outdoor Learning

The children will continue to take part in outdoor learning sessions as part of our Foundational Knowledge and Maths learning. As the weather turns warmer please ensure your child has a longlasting sunscreen applied each day and brings in a sunhat.



Maths

Within our daily Maths sessions our teaching will be based around the Early Learning Goals for number and numerical patterns. We will be teaching, doubling, halving and problem solving alongside continuing with addition and subtraction. We will be exploring number lines and how we can use these as a tool for addition and subtraction. Your child will develop their language to describe 3D shapes and continue to develop an understanding of measuring.



Rainbow Challenges



Create a small world garden using some of your favourite toys.

Plant a seed or bean and keep a daily diary drawing pictures and writing labels / sentences.

Build a bug house/hotel outside.

Become an artist and create a 3D minibeast

Reception Staff

Australia Class

Mrs Harden
Class Teacher
M & Tu
Mrs Norman
Class teacher W,Th,F

Brazil Class

Miss Ogg
Class Teacher

Chile Class

Mrs Newson
Class teacher M, Tu,
Mrs Laflin
Class teacher W,Th,F

Early Years Practitioners

Mrs Whelan, Mrs Langston,
Mrs Payne, Mrs Dean

Recommended Read

Tiny Perfect Things

By M. H. Clark

