



“With Christ in our hearts, together we grow.”

Reception Parent Planning Week Beginning 24th September 2018

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

It has been heart- warming to watch your children’s confidence grow over this last week. They are really beginning to jell as a class and new friendships are being made. For those children feeling a little bit overwhelmed by lunch time, the Reception teachers have taken it in turn to have lunch with them and we are very pleased to say that it has given them a boost of confidence that means they are now able to access it independently.

Communication and Language

As the children’s confidence grows they talk much more both to each other, and the adults in the classroom. They are expressing their likes and dislikes and telling us about their families.

Physical Development

The weather continues to stay warm and we have talked to all of the children about looking after themselves throughout the day. We remind the children to go to the toilet and wash their hands before lunch and encourage them to eat a fruit snack in the morning and afternoon. Most importantly we make sure that all children are having a drink throughout the day. As September ends the weather will change, and it is important that your child comes to school with a coat. We also ask that you bring a pair of wellies to keep at school.

At home: Get out and about whatever the weather. Put coats and wellies on and enjoy being outdoors, it is very good for children’s emotional well-being.

Letter Sounds of the Week

We are introducing phonics to the children using Ruth Miskin cards. These will be displayed in your child’s classroom for you to look at. This weeks sounds are:

m –

d –

g –

At home: look out for these letters in the books you share with your child. Practice saying the sounds these letters make.

Notes

- EYFS workshop – 27th September - 9am and 5pm
- PE kits are not needed until the Summer Term
- Remember to let the school know if your child cannot attend school due to illness.
- Remember to let your child’s class teacher or the office know if someone else is collecting your child.

Maths

This week we are looking at dice and their number patterns. The children will be rolling the dice, saying which number it has landed on, finding that number on a number line and counting out that number of objects from a larger group. To add an element of challenge the children will have two dice and will have to add the numbers together to work out how many objects they need to count out.

At home: Playing with dice is a fun way of developing number skills. Roll the dice and choose an action for the children to do, such as one clap, two jumps etc.

Learning Journals

These are a record of your child’s time in Reception and will be given to you at the end of the year.

It is a collection of photographs, pieces of art work, mark making and observations.

To start the journals off, we would appreciate it if you would bring in a couple of photographs showing your child with other members of their family, and/or pets.

These photographs really get the children talking and help us to get to know your children well.

Throughout the year there will be opportunities to come in to the classroom at the beginning of the day to look at the journal with your child.

Creative Development

Children love to construct with recyclable materials such as kitchen roll tubes, small boxes, yogurt pots etc.

We would be very grateful if you could bring in some of these items for the children to use in class.

We would also like to collect any old buttons, hats, scarves and costume jewellery for the children’s role play.

Behaviour Faces

All of the teachers in the EYFS wear behaviour faces on their lanyards. We have discussed them with the children and they should be able to tell you about them. We use the green face the most as we want to promote positive re-enforcement and let children know how much we value their positive behaviour.



Good choices, happy face



Thinking face



Bad choices, sad face