

Autumn Term Newsletter Year R

Autumn 1
2023/24

Reception Team

We want to wish all our new children and families a huge warm welcome into Year R! We all hope you have a wonderful year and we look forward to working in partnership with you all.



Miss Wiles Class
Teacher



Mrs Clarkson
Class Teacher



Miss Kashi Class
Teacher



Mr Owen
Teaching Assistant



Miss Wale
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Smith
Teaching Assistant



Miss Benefield
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Mehta
Learning Mentor

Welcome to Year R

This first half term is very exciting in Year R! There will be lots of learning through directed lessons and play. Your child will be beginning to learn their phonic sounds, as well as how to orally blend and put these sounds into words. This is the first step in learning how to read and write. Your child will also be learning how to write their first name and how to form letters correctly. In maths we will be gaining a deep understanding about the numbers 1-5 and how to use these numbers in different ways. Our theme lessons this half term will be 'Me and My Community' and 'Exploring Autumn'. These projects help us to learn more about your children and for them to get to know their friends. They will also help us to explore the different changes in the seasons. As a class we will be reading and exploring the exciting text, 'Elmer'. We will also be going on some mini adventures to Stoke Park and our local church.

Planners

Children will have a new planner when they start. Children are expected to bring their planner and reading book with them every day. Parents/carers, please sign the planner on the correct date that your child has read.

Homework

All homework will be on Seesaw for the children to access. We expect your child to practise their weekly sound, and reading on a daily basis. There will be a maths task set to be completed for the following week. There will also be a grid of activities linked to our theme that your child can complete throughout the half-term. Please take pictures of these and post on Seesaw or bring them in so we can celebrate their hard work.

Reading

This half term your child will have two books in their reading folder that will be changed once a week. One of these books will be a picture book and inside your child's reading folder there will be an information sheet with tips on how to share these books with your child. The second book will be one they have chosen and is for you to read to your child. Please take the time to read regularly with your child.

PE

PE is on Thursday and children are expected to come in full PE kit. Reminder: PE kit is a school logo t-shirt or a plain white t-shirt and black shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms.

Ways to contact us

If you have any concerns or questions, contact us through Seesaw or the school office. We are always happy to talk to you when you drop-off and collect your children.