

RECEPTION class

COMMUNICATION & LANGUAGE

This term we will continue with our daily show and tell. It has been great seeing the range of topics children have been talking about, and the class have been working hard to ask interesting and imaginative questions!

LITERACY

The topic of growth will provide many opportunities for children to explore non-fiction books and learn about different features of these books, such as the contents page, the use of photographs, labelling and using an index. We will be reading 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' and 'The Tiny Seed', amongst many other popular fiction books on the topic of growing.

As we learn about Dinosaurs, children will be writing their own fact files about the lives of dinosaurs. We will also be reading a wide range of fiction books based on dinosaurs and writing our own rhyming opposites dinosaur book, based on the book 'Dinosaur Roar!'.

PHONICS

This term we will be continuing with the Letters and Sounds Phonics programme. The class are making great progress though their daily phonics groups and all of the class are now working within phase 3 of the scheme. Children will be receiving work in their home learning books relating to the letters and sounds they are learning in class. This will allow you to support your child's phonics learning at home. They will also be given high frequency words to practise spelling.

RE

We follow the 'Come and See' scheme of work in RE. This term we will be covering the topics Pentecost, Reconciliation and Universal Church.



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school and a very Happy Easter to you all! I trust you all had a good holiday.

We will be beginning the summer term with the topic 'growth'. Children will be growing their own plants and exploring the life cycle of different animals. We will be pond dipping and hopefully the class will have the chance to observe first-hand the life cycle of a frog in our school pond.

The second half of the term we will move onto the topic of Dinosaurs, which is always a popular theme. Children will discover interesting facts about the lives of dinosaurs, they will learn about fossils and how palaeontologists use fossils to find out how dinosaurs lived and they will have a chance to become investigators themselves as some mystery eggs show up in our classroom...

Our class assembly this term will be on Wednesday 24th May. We will also be taking part in the Hackney Music Festival on the morning of Thursday 29th June, details of this will be sent out nearer the time. All are welcome to attend.

NUMERACY

This final term in Reception will focus on building confidence recognising, writing and using numbers up to 20. Children will be calculating addition and subtraction problems by counting on or back to find the answer. We will be consolidating our number bonds to 10 and begin looking at doubling and halving numbers up to double 5 and halving 10.

Children will be naming, describing and sorting 2D and 3D shapes, creating and completing repeating patterns and using everyday language to talk about size, weight, capacity, position and time.

PE

PE is on a Monday and Wednesday. We keep PE kits at school for the half-term and send them home during holidays. Please ensure your child has a full PE kit and that it is clearly labelled with their name.

The class are now much more independent when getting dressed and undressed. Please encourage this independence at home when time permits!

Book Bags

Please send book bags into school everyday.

Reading books will be changed on a Monday and Wednesday and children will be given a library book on Friday. Please make time to read with your child and sign their yellow reading record books.

Children will receive work in their home learning books every Friday, please complete this for the following week.

Questions?

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask myself or any other member of staff working in class. Appointments can be made with myself before or after school via the office.