

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a lovely year it has been! I cannot believe how quickly the Reception year has flown by. The children have learnt so much, worked hard, played with joy, and grown in confidence. It has been such a pleasure watching them become more independent and ready to take on the exciting adventures of Year 1!

This term, we are blasting off into space! We will be learning all about rockets, the moon, stars, and the planets. The children will even be helping an alien visitor learn about life on Earth and what it is like to travel in space—how fun! Please do keep reading with your child every day and jot a quick note in their reading record book. Little and often really does make a big difference to their confidence and progress.

Just a reminder that PE will continue to be on **Wednesdays**, so please make sure your child comes to school in their PE kit on that day.

As always, if you have any questions or would just like a quick chat, I am always happy to speak with you at the gate.

English and Phonics

We will continue to follow the Little Wandle scheme, focusing on decoding, prosody and comprehension. We will be focusing on writing short sentences with words with known letter-sound correspondences using a capital letter and a full stop.

Books we will be using:

Snail in Space
Suzy Orbit Astronaut
Little Sunflower
The Very Hungry Caterpillar

Expressive Arts and Design

This term the children will explore, use, and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings. They will listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing their feelings and responses.

Communication and Language

Children will be retelling stories they have developed a deeper familiarity with. They will be encouraged to interpret some texts using some new vocabulary in different contexts.

Maths

Children will begin to develop an understanding of sharing. They will investigate what sharing is and describe equal sharing as fair and unequal sharing as unfair. Children will deepen their understanding of different patterns, and will begin to develop a secure knowledge of pattern rules.

Reception

Term 6

SPACE



Physical Development

Children will perform different movements with ease and fluency.

They will develop confidence and safely use a range of large and small apparatus indoors and outside, alone and in a group.

They will become more confident and accurate in letter formation and handwriting style.

Understanding the World

Children will be learning about how the world has changed over time.

They will explore and comment on images of familiar situations in the past. They will compare and contrast characters from stories, including figures from the past.

Self - Regulation

Children will learn to work with and negotiate with others. They will learn to understand how others feel and explore the concept of empathy.

Children will learn about independence and how to negotiate with others.

Managing Self

This term children will be working on increasing their awareness and responsibility. Children will be encouraged to communicate effectively – listen, speak and reflect.

PSHE

Children will learn about their bodies and will:

- Be able name parts of the body.
- Tell you some healthy choices they can make.
- Understand that we all grow from babies to adults.
- Express how they feel about moving to Year 1.

Music

Big band

Children will learn:

- What makes a musical instrument?
- The four different groups of musical instruments.
- To follow a beat using an untuned instrument.
- Perform a practised song to a small audience.