

Reception Newsletter

Term 2

Key Dates for the Diary

Stay and Play	Thursday 9th November 9.00 to 9.30
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EYFS Christmas Performance	Tuesday 19th December 9.30 to 10.00

ASPIRATION THEME DAY

On this special day, children will be completing their own personal targets which will be displayed around the setting. We look forward to seeing their costumes and will talk about the aspirational characters they represent, before parading around the school. We will make shields to reflect children's personal interests and things that make them unique.

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE

You are kindly invited to our Christmas performance on Tuesday 19th December at 9.30 am. Two tickets will be allocated to each child and parents will be able to request further tickets if required. More information to follow.

INTO THE WOODS

This term, children in Reception will be learning story-telling techniques which will enrich their expressive language and their understanding of story structures. We begin with 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' and will share other traditional stories like 'The Gingerbread Man' and 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears.'

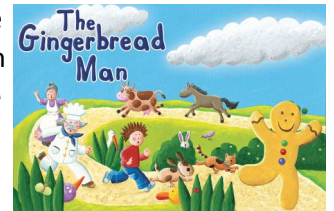
We will continue to learn new sounds and practise letter formation in our phonics sessions. The children will begin to apply this knowledge in their own reading and writing.

In Mathematics, we will be focusing on number recognition and reliable counting of groups of objects. We will learn to order and compare objects by size and capacity.

We're Going on a Bear Hunt
Michael Rosen Helen Oxenbury



Christmas will be a time to talk about family customs and to learn about other festival of lights around the world. We will perform a Nativity play in the very last week of term and we hope you will come and enjoy our musical celebration.



Goldilocks and the Three Bears



STAY AND PLAY

Please come along to our 'Stay and Play' sessions to see how your child learns and has settled into school. It is also a great time to chat to teachers, other parents and to look at your child's learning journey.

READING BOOKS

Reading books are changed on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Two books are generally given to each child unless it is clear that books have not yet been read. It is really good practice for your child to re-read a book. This consolidates learning and builds confidence. Please read regularly at home. It makes such a difference! Please ask if you need any advice.

Me, Myself and I

We had a very exciting and busy first term. Children have settled well into school life and our learning journey began last term



with our topic 'Me, Myself and I'. We learnt about our bodies, how babies grow and shared family photos.



PE

PE sessions are on Tuesday afternoons for Ducklings and Wednesday afternoons for Cygnets. Please make sure kits are in school and labelled.

JUMPERS

Please help us and your child to keep jumpers, coats and other clothing safe by labelling all items.