



Reception Newsletter

Spring 1

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and are ready for a new year of fun and learning! We would like to thank you for your continued support and remind you that we're always here if you have any questions or need a chat. You can message us on Class Dojo or catch us on the door! The Reception Team

Key Dates

Monday 5th January - Back to school & whole school pantomime
Monday 12th January - Diversity week
Tuesday 20th January - Class trip to Eureka
Monday 26th January - Art week
Thursday 20th January - Road safety workshops
Friday 13th Feb - Break up for half term
Additional dates & information to follow.

Reading and Phonics

We will continue having phonics in groups to suit each pupil. If you would like to know what sounds your child is learning that week, please ask a member of staff. Reading will be on a Wednesday, but may continue on to Thursday or Friday. Children need to bring their reading book to school every day as we will read with them as often as we can. **Please read with your children** at least 3 times a week. This will help them develop a love of books and the exposure to different genres will be really beneficial. Practice segmenting the letters into sounds and then blending them together to make words.



Topic

Our topic this half term is all about hot and cold countries. We will be learning about which animals live in which climate and reading books about penguins and tigers. We will also be looking in detail at numbers 6 -10 – including number bonds, adding and subtracting, odd and even numbers & sharing and grouping. In science, we will be making boats out of different materials and seeing which materials float and sink and why. We will also be having a tiger who came to tea party at the end of the half term - more information about this will be sent soon.

If you have any photographs of any holidays that you're willing to share, please send to Mrs Baxter on Dojo - thank you!



Other

Please ensure your child brings their water bottle and coat to school everyday and that coats, hats, scarves etc. are all labelled.



As previously, a snack and milk will be provided by school, but if they want to bring in their own healthy snack from home, this is fine too!

Reception at a glance - Spring 1

Here is an insight into the teachers who will be in each day and information about anything extra your children may need (please note, this may change due to timetabling, meetings or events, but this will generally be the structure).

Monday	Mrs Baxter & Mrs Jennings. Library session today - bring your library book to renew or exchange.
Tuesday	Mrs Baxter & Mrs Jennings.
Wednesday	Mrs Brown & Mrs Jennings.
Thursday	Mrs Brown & Mrs Jennings. Outdoor learning - In the nature area. Please bring a waterproof coat, wellies (these can be left at school) and clothing to suit the weather as Oxenhope weather can be unpredictable!
Friday	Mrs Brown & Mrs Jennings. PE - Come to school in your PE kit and bring a waterproof coat . We will wear our PE kits all day. Sounds of the week and homework brought home.
Please bring your reading book, reading record and your water bottle to school every day.	