



# Reception Newsletter

## Summer 1

We hope you had a fabulous Easter break and are ready for another busy half term!  
As always, please don't hesitate to get in touch (you can message us on Class Dojo or catch us on the door) - The Reception team

### Key Dates

Wednesday 15th April - Little Acorns (baby/toddler group)  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 9:00 – SEND Coffee Morning  
Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April – Reception balance bike sessions begin  
Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May – Balance bike session  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May – Lockdown practice  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Balance bike session  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May – Hesketh Farm  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May – School Disco  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Break up

**Additional dates & information to follow.**

### Home learning

As we are nearing the end of the Year please continue with regular reading at home. We know the children (and probably you) are tiring but we're still striving to work towards getting your child to achieve Early Learning Goal. We really appreciate your support with this. Please see the homework grid for ideas with home learning.

### Donations please!



We're looking to spruce up our outdoor play area... If your child has outgrown any bikes, scooters, or helmets, we would love for you to donate them to Reception. Your generosity helps us keep our outdoor space exciting and active for the children – Thank you!



### Topic

Our topic this half term is *Once Upon a Time*. We'll be looking at traditional fairy tales such as Billy Goats Gruff and thinking about what princes and princesses 'should' be like.

In our science lessons, we'll be exploring the fascinating life cycles of frogs and butterflies by watching caterpillars transform right before our eyes. We're incredibly lucky that each of us will have our own caterpillar to care for; we'll move them into their own habitats, feed them, and track their growth over the coming weeks. After supporting them through every stage of their development, we'll eventually experience the magic of releasing our butterflies into the wild.

We are very much looking forward to our trip to Hesketh farm on the 12<sup>th</sup> of May. Please pay on Parent Pay or message us if you have any questions.



## Reception at a glance – Summer 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 <b>library book</b> 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 <b>waterproof coat, wellies</b> (these can be left at school) and <b>clothing</b> to suit the weather as Oxenhope weather can be unpredictable!
Friday	Mrs Brown & Mrs Jennings. PE - Come to school in your <b>PE kit</b> and bring a <b>waterproof coat</b> . 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.