



Teacher Newsletter

Reception Spring Term 2025



Happy New Year from the Reception Team

Happy New Year! We hope you had a good break after a busy term. We were so proud of the children's amazing speaking during our Christmas Assemblies. We hope you enjoyed them as much as we did!

The children have settled back quickly and were excited to return to wintery weather, which they have been investigating in the outdoor area. Later in the term, we will investigate planting and growing seeds and beans. The children will learn more about celebrations such as Chinese New Year and Easter. We will continue to visit Woodlands and the Library regularly. This term we will continue to learn a new grapheme each week as part of the Monster Phonics programme. A small number of new high frequency words will be introduced every two weeks.

Mrs Turner, Mrs Scourfield, Mrs Burton, Mrs Gillespie

Sharing Assembly

A date for your diary- our class sharing assemblies will be on:

Lime – Wednesday 18th June at 9:10am

Willow – Friday 27th June at 9:10am

This is an opportunity for you to come and hear all about what our class have been learning. We can't wait to share it with you. Our sharing assembly will be about 20 minutes long. Put the date in your diary.

Staff:

Willow:

Mrs Scourfield

EYFS Practitioner – Mrs McCarthy

Mrs Gillespie and Mr Stevenson teach us on a Thursday.

Lime:

Mrs Turner (Mon-Weds) Mrs Burton (Thurs-Fri)

TA – Miss Fitzgerald

Mrs Stein teaches us for a session on a Wednesday and Mr Stevenson teaches us PE on a Thursday.

Support staff are subject to change throughout the year.

PE

We have PE on a **Thursday**- your child should have their PE kit in school all the time.

PE Kit

Plain t-shirt in house colour

Black shorts

Black jogging bottoms or shorts

Black plain jumper

Suitable trainers (not plimsolls)

Earrings should be removed on PE days, or covered with tape.

Please could all children wear socks and **not** tights on PE days.

Reminders

All children should have a coat and water bottle in school every day.

Woodlands – We plan to go to Woodlands at least once every half term. Please ensure your child has a named muddy suit and wellies in school.

Library Day- Library will be on a **Monday**. Please only send library books in on this day.

Flash cards – Please use the Monster Phonics flash cards sent home each week to support grapheme and word recognition.

We provide the children with a healthy snack of fruit or vegetable each day.

Reading and Home Learning

Please continue to help your children to remember to bring their reading books and reading record into school every day.

They will receive a new Monster Phonics book and change their 'Sharing at Home' books weekly.

Sometimes they may need an extra week to practice reading their Monster Phonics book in school fluently.

As well as hearing your child read at home every day, we would like them to access the NumBots App weekly.

THRIVE Values

R - Responsible

We are responsible. We work hard, we are determined and we challenge ourselves. We take responsibility for our actions, words and choices. We are reflective learners.

I - Innovative

We are innovative. We are creative, we love learning and we are curious. We are confident, we take risks, make mistakes and we are problem solvers. We are empowered to make changes.