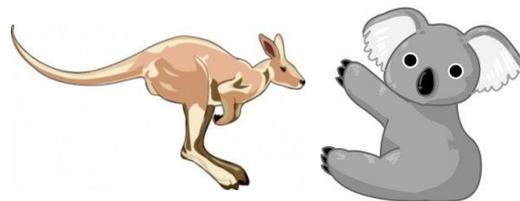


Curriculum Newsletter for Reception



Dear Parents and Carers,

Your children have been working so hard with their learning so far this year, and we would like to thank you for all your support.

Class	Reception – Kangaroo and Koalas		
Class Teachers	Mrs Bailey and Mrs Forster– Koala  Mrs Flood - Kangaroo		
Support staff working in the classroom	Mrs Kimber Mrs Parsons Mrs Morris		
Home learning	We encourage you to revise the tricky words we provided at parents evening and use them to make sentences. Each week children have Mathletics tasks set for them. If you have not already completed these, we would ask you to do so. Please come and see us if you have any questions about this.		
Reading books	Please continue to read daily with your child and ask them to talk to you about the book. This could be talking about the different characters and key events of the story. Please continue to revise the sounds we have been learning and encourage them to find the tricky words in their book.		
PE kits	Please could you ensure that all items in your child’s PE kit are clearly labelled with their name. We will be doing PE outside this term, focussing on developing ball skills and playing simple games.		
Planned trips this year	Summer Term – Painshill Park – 27 <sup>th</sup> June. Please see the trip letter for further information.		
Topic work this year	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
	<i>First Half:</i> Kangaroo/Koala Class and me <i>Second Half:</i> Let’s Celebrate!	<i>First Half:</i> 3, 2, 1 Blast Off! <i>Second Half:</i> Once upon a time	<i>First Half:</i> Under the sea <i>Second Half:</i> Creepy Crawlies

**‘Under the sea’ and ‘Creepy Crawlies’**

During this half term the children will be learning about ‘Under the Sea’. We will look a variety of stories in our Literacy sessions including ‘Billy’s Bucket’ and ‘The Rainbow Fish’. The children will carry out a variety of activities linked to the stories such as writing lists and making sea creatures. The children will also look at the features of non-fiction books and use these to find facts out about sea creatures. In maths this term we will be looking at shape, positional language and solving practical mathematical problems.

After half term our theme will be ‘Creepy Crawlies.’ We will be finding out about different types of bugs and exploring their habitats. We will be using a range of books such as ‘Superworm’ and ‘Spinderella’ and we will be writing our own bug stories. In maths we will be learning about halving, doubling, money and time.

**Phonics**

The children have now learnt a lot of letter sounds, digraphs and trigraphs and we are now working on using these sounds to read longer words. Please continue to practise these sounds at home and encourage your child to find the sounds in their reading books.

**RE**

Our theme this half term in R.E. is 'Who cares for the special world and why?' The children will be looking at the different Bible stories such as the Parable of the Talent and the Good Samaritan. During the second half of the term, children will be focussing on 'Incarnation – why do Christians believe Jesus is special?'. As part of this learning children will learn about stories such as The Lost Sheep and The Healing of the Paralysed Man. We will also continue to learn a variety of songs linked to our worship themes.

As the weather starts to get warmer during the summer term we would like to remind you that in Reception the children can be learning outside for a large part of the day. Therefore, we ask that all children bring in a named hat and water bottle daily and that sun cream is applied before arriving at school.

If you have any questions about this, feel free to talk to one of the Reception team and we will be happy to help.

Many thanks again for your continued support.

Mrs Bailey, Mrs Forster and Mrs Flood.

