

### PE

Reception have PE on Wednesday's and Friday's. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit on for both of their days, which includes wearing their school jumper.

### Homework

Pupils have the following homework each week:

- Homework sheet which includes GPCs taught in class during phonics, words to sound out and blend featuring the new GPCs and tricky word practice.
- Reading each night for at least 15 minutes and having their reading record signed. They must bring their book bag, home reading book

### Parent's Evening

We enjoyed meeting you last term, albeit virtually. Our parents' evening this term is on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022 via Teams. If you have any queries during the year, please come and speak to your child's class teacher. Letters will be sent out soon.



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Your child's learning in  
Reception  
Spring Term

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## Reading

We will be reading lots of stories such as, The Gingerbread man, Harry and the bucketful of dinosaurs, The Town Mouse and Country Mouse, The Chinese New Year story and The Easter Story.

Throughout the week, your child will read with an adult at least three times. The focus will be on decoding, prosody (expression) and comprehension, in order to improve reading fluency. The same book will be sent home every day so it is important that your child brings their book bag, reading book and home reading diary to school every day so that they are able to read their book.

A £5 charge will be issued if books are lost or damaged.

## Reading Challenge

This term Receptions' reading challenge is to read books that include transport.

## Maths

In Maths, we will focus on addition, subtraction, doubling, odd and even numbers. We will continue to look at patterns, length and shapes. We will learn and practice these skills through both teacher led, child initiated independent activities both indoors and in our outdoor learning environment.



## Writing

This term we will be concentrating on using our phonic knowledge to write simple sentences which can be read by ourselves and others. We will be looking at how sentences are structured and making sure that we are using capital letters, finger spaces and full-stops.

## Phonics

Phonics is an essential skill needed to read. We follow the scheme *Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised*. We will be learning a new phoneme each day and reading and spelling words. We will blend these sounds to read words. Further information about phonics can be found here:

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>



## Understanding the world



We will be exploring our local environment and comparing it to different environments around the world.

We will be discussing oral health and ways we keep our body healthy. We will also be experimenting with materials, discovering which are waterproof and non-waterproof and finding out what materials objects around us are made from.

This term we will also be learning about celebrations and festivals including Chinese New Year and Easter. We will be discussing the similarities and differences between different religions.

## Expressive Arts and Design

This term, we will be using different tools and materials to create artwork. We will be making objects such as Chinese dragons and lanterns. We will also be using large materials, paints and chalks to create objects from our local environment.

We will also have the opportunity to listen to music from different cultures and create dances and role play.