

Tuesday 29th April

Reception Summer Term Letter

TEACHERS

Monday and Tuesday - Mrs Walker
Wednesday to Friday - Mrs Readman

TEACHING PARTNERS

Ms Freer

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a good Easter and that the children have had a well-deserved rest. We've been so impressed with how hard they've worked this year and are excited for the term ahead.

This term our topic is 'Growing'. The children will explore plants and learn how they grow by growing their own plant from seed. During the second half of the term, the children will learn about different animals and will watch a caterpillar grow.

During PE sessions the children will be developing their ball skills but will also be doing 'Balanceability' where they will have a chance to use the balance bikes.

Reading books will still be changed on a Thursday or Friday. Please try and read with your child at least four times a week. You may read your child's book two or three times with them; it is also useful to be practising their sounds and harder to read and spell words. Reading and discussing bedtime stories is also really valuable. We want the children to have a love of reading and sharing books with them will really help with this. The children will also continue to visit the school library on a Tuesday afternoon to choose a book of their choice to share with you at home.

This term's whole school value is 'Compassion' which we will learn more about in our class services as well as in the classroom.

Things to bring to school:

- A named book bag
- A named waterproof coat each day, even when it's sunny, just in case as British weather is very changeable! This can be left at school on your child's peg if easier
- A named water bottle (not in book bags please as school books are easily ruined if they get wet!)
- A named packed lunch if they're having one
- PE kit (PE will take place twice a week. PE kit can stay in school and will be sent home at half-term for a freshen up)

- Please make sure all long hair is tied back every day and that everything is named
- A named sun hat
- When the weather is warm, please remember to apply sun cream to your child before they come to school as we are not able to apply this at school (you can buy sun cream that lasts all day)

We will continue to communicate with you through Tapestry. Some things will also be put on the school website.

If you need to talk to us, you can often catch us at the beginning of the day to pass on a message e.g. who is picking your child up. If you need to discuss something where you need more of our time, please ring the main office to arrange a meeting or e-mail us at one of the addresses below:

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Best wishes,

Mrs Walker and Mrs Readman