Colwich CE Primary School

God is Love, so we: Learn to Love; Love to Learn, Learn for Life.



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WELCOME MEETING RECEPTION



Vision

Our vision is that every child is fully welcomed into our supportive community and discovers their value as a unique child of God. Through the highest quality of teaching and learning, we endeavor to nurture them so that they leave us as confident, curious and resilient life-long learners ready to fulfil their God given potential. We are guided by our Christian values to inspire one another to flourish through life's journey. 'Start children off on the right path. And even when they are old, they will not turn away from it.' (Proverbs 22:6 NRIV)











The Golden Rule

'So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets'.

(Matthew 7:12).

So, we treat others as we expect to be treated

The Colwich Way

Our way of interpreting the Golden rule:

- 1. Be kind
- 2. Be respectful
- 3. Be ready to learn



WELCOME TO RECEPTION

A day in Reception

- Reception children will be welcomed at the gate or door each morning. After half term, children will be dropped off at the main gate to build independence.
- As we progress through the term, children will have morning challenges each day with a focus on name writing initially.
- We use a balance of adult guided activities and childinitiated learning, allowing us to learn through play and follow children's interests.
- We use Mastering Number for number work and White Rose Maths for shape, space and measure.
- We are introducing 'Drawing Club' for fine motor, vocabulary and writing skills.
- We use Little Wandle for phonics and reading.
- Each half term we will join the school in their art or design technology week.



Areas of Learning and Development						
Prime Areas						
Personal, Social ar Emotional Developn		Physical Development		Co	Communication and Language	
 Self-Regulation Managing Self Building Relationsh 	nips	Gross Motor SkillsFine Motor Skills		•	Listening, Attention and Understanding Speaking	
	Specific Areas					
Literacy	N	lathematics	Understanding t World	he	Expressive Arts and Design	
ComprehensionWord ReadingWriting		umber umerical Patterns	 Past and Prese People, Cultur and Communi The Natural W 	e ties	 Creating with Materials Being Imaginative 	

Reception Curriculum

Reception end of year expectations

Children in Reception will work towards the Early Learning Goals and will be tracked across the year against age related expectations to see who is on track and who is not yet on track. Support and challenge will be given to those that need it.

Early Learning Goals

Communication and Language

Listening, Attention and Understanding

- Listen attentively and respond to what they hear with relevant questions, comments and actions when being read to and during whole class discussions and small group interactions.
- Make comments about what they have heard and ask questions to clarify their understanding.
- Hold conversation when engaged in back-and-forth exchanges with their teacher and peers.

Speaking

- Participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary.
- Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.
- Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions, with modelling and support from their teacher.

Understanding the World

Past and Present

- Talk about the lives of the people around them and their roles in society.
- Know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.
- Understand the past through settings, characters and events encountered in books read in class and storytelling.

People, Culture and Communities

- Describe their immediate environment using knowledge from observation, discussion, stories, non-fiction texts and maps.
- Know some similarities and differences between different religious and cultural communities in this country, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.
- Explain some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other countries, drawing on knowledge from stories, non-fiction texts and (when appropriate) maps.

The Natural World

- Explore the natural world around them, making observations and drawing pictures of animals and plants.
- Know some similarities and differences between the natural world around them and contrasting environments, drawing on their experiences and what has been read in class.
- Understand some important processes and changes in the natural world around them, including the seasons and changing states of matter.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Self-Regulation

- Show an understanding of their own feelings and those of others, and begin to regulate their behaviour accordingly.
- Set and work towards simple goals, being able to wait for what they want and control their immediate impulses when appropriate.
- Give focused attention to what the teacher says, responding appropriately even when engaged in activity, and show an ability to follow instructions involving several ideas or actions:

Managing Self

- Be confident to try new activities and show independence, resilience and perseverance in the face of challenge.
- Explain the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly.

 Manage their own basic hygiene and personal needs, including dressing, going to the toilet and understanding the importance of healthy food choices.

Building Relationships

- · Work and play cooperatively and take turns with others.
- Form positive attachments to adults and friendships with peers.
- Show sensitivity to their own and to others' needs.

Expressive Arts and Design

Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques,

- materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function.
- Share their creations, explaining the process they have used.
- Make use of props and materials when role playing characters in narratives and stories.

Being Imaginative and Expressive

- Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with peers and their teacher.
- Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs.
- Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and (when appropriate) try to move in time with music.

Mathematics

Number

- Have a deep understanding of number to 10, including the composition of each number.
- Subitise (recognise quantities without counting) up to 5.
- Automatically recall (without reference to rhymes, counting or other aids) number bonds up to 5 (including subtraction facts) and some number bonds to 10, including double facts.

Numerical Pattern

- Verbally count beyond 20, recognising the pattern of the counting system.
- Compare quantities up to 10 in different contexts, recognising when one quantity is greater than, less than or the same as the other quantity.
- Explore and represent patterns within numbers up to 10, including evens and odds, double facts and how quantities can be distributed equally.

Physical Development

Gross Motor Skills

- Negotiate space and obstacles safely, with consideration for themselves and others.
- Demonstrate strength, balance and coordination when playing
- Move energetically, such as running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing.

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- Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing – using the tripod grip in almost all cases.
- Use a range of small tools, including scissors, paintbrushes and cutlery.
- . Begin to show accuracy and care when drawing.

Literacy

Comprehensi

- Demonstrate understanding of what has been read to them by retelling stories and narratives using their own words and recently introduced veceshulary.
- Anticipate (where appropriate) key events
 in stories
- Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, nonfiction, rhymes and poems and during role play.

Word Readin

- Say a sound for each letter in the alphabet and at least 10 digraphs.
- Read words consistent with their phonic knowledge by sound-blending.
- Read aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with their phonic knowledge, including some common exception words

Writing

- Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed.
- Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters.
- Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others.

Copies of these can be found in your packs.





A love of reading is the biggest indicator of future academic success.

OECD (The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development)





Phonics



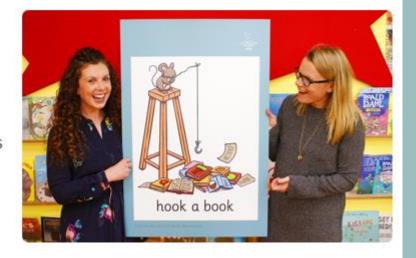
Phonics is:

making connections between the sounds of our spoken words and the letters that are used to write them down.



Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised

Our school has chosen
Little Wandle Letters and
Sounds Revised as our
systematic, synthetic phonics
(SSP) programme to teach
early reading and spelling.



Information pages can be found in your pack.

Grapheme and mnemonic	Picture card	Pronunciation phrase	Formation phrase
S S	S	Show your teeth and and let the s hiss out sesses sesses	Down the snake from head to tail.
		Open your mouth wide and make the a sound at the back of your mouth a a a	Around the astronaut's helmet and down into space.
t t	astronaut	Open your lips; put the tip of your tongue behind your teeth and press ttt	Down the tiger and across its neck.
p p	K	Bring your lips together, push them open and say p p p	Down the penguin's back, up and around its head.
i	penguin	Pull your lips back and make the L sound at the back of your mouth LLL	Down the iguana and dot the leaf
n n	liguona .	Open your lips a bit, put your tongue behind your teeth and make the nanna sound nanna	Down, up and over the net.
		Put your lips together and make the manument sound manument	Down, up and over the mouse's ears.

Grapheme and mnemonic	Picture card	Pronunciation phrase	Formation phrase
d d	dack	Put your tongue to the top and front of your mouth and make a quick d sound d d d	Round the duck's body, up to its head and down to its feet.
g 9	qost	Give me a big smile that shows goor treth, press the middle of your tongue to the top and back of your mostly, push goor tengue down and forward to make the g sound g g g	Round the goat's face and curl- under its chin.
0 0	ottopus	Make your mouth into round shape and tay • • •	All around the octopus.
6 C	cat	Open your mouth into a little smile, make your tongue flat and move it so towards the top of your mouth to say $\epsilon \in \epsilon$	Curl around the cat.
≰ k	kite	Open your mouth into a little smile, make your tongue flat and move it up towards the top of your mouth to say k k k	Down the kite, up to the top corns and down to the bottom corner.
å ck	tock	Open your mouth into a little smile, make your tongue flat and move it up towards the top of your mouth to say $\epsilon \in \epsilon$	c Curt around the heel of the sock k Down the sock, up and back down to the toe. Catchphrase: Rock that sock!
-	do	Open your mouth wide and say	Around the elephont's eye and cur down its trunk.

Phase 2 tricky words: Reception Autumn term

Information for parents and carers

'Tricky words' are words that cannot easily be decoded ('sounded out' and read). This is because some of the sounds in the words are spelled in an unusual way, it is important for children to be able to read these words as they are among the most common words in English.

The table below shows the tricky words that your child will learn in Phase 2 in the Autumn term of Reception and explains why each word is tricky. Children will practise the tricky words in school until they can read them automatically They will also practise reading the tricky words in the decadable books that they bring home.

Phase 2 tricky word	Tricky part(s)	Why is it tricky?
is as has his	s	The 's' makes the sound z. Learning so far: For 's', your child has learned the sound s as in 'sat'. They will learn that 's' can make the sound z later in the Autumn term.
I	i	The 'i' makes the sound igh. Learning so far: For 'i', your child has learned the sound i as in 'pin'.
the	th e	Your child has not yet learned the digraph 'th' or the schwa sound made by the 'e'
put* pull full push	ш	The 'u' makes the sound oo (as in 'book'). Learning so fan: For 'u', your child has learned the sound u as in 'cup'.
and	nd	Your child has not yet learned how to blend together adjacent consonants.
her	er	Your child has not yet learned the digraph 'er'.
go no	0	The 'o' makes the sound oa. Learning so far: For 'o', your child has learned the sound o as in 'dog'.
to into	0	The 'o' makes the sound oo (as in 'food') or the schwa sound, depending on context Learning so far: For 'o', your child has learned the sound o as in 'dog'.
she he we me be	e	The 'c' makes the sound ex . Learning so far. For 'c', your child has learned the sound e as in 'egg'.
of	f	This is a rare spelling for this sound. Learning so faur Your child has learned the sound f as in 'fish'.

*Depending on regional pronunciations, not all children will be taught the words 'put', 'pull', 'full' and 'push' as tricky words.

Terminology

Phoneme: The smallest unit of sound that can be identified in words. We also use the term 'sound' but your child may use the word 'phoneme'. There are 44 phonemes or sounds in the English language.

Grapheme: A letter or group of letters used to represent a phoneme in writing. The way graphemes are used to represent phonemes in our written language is known as the alphabetic code.

Decode: To break down ('sound out') a written word into sounds then blend the sounds together to read the word.

Digraph: A grapheme made of two letters that represent one sound. An example is the 'sh' in 'shop'.

Schwa: This is the name for the most common sound in English. It is the unstressed sound that we find in many words and can be spelled in many ways. It makes an 'uh' sound, which varies according to accent. Examples include: the, better, care; b, balloon.

Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised 2021: Programme progression Reception and Year 1 overviews

This programme overview shows the progression of GPCs and tricky words that we teach term-by-term. The progression has been organised so that children are taught from the simple to more complex GPCs, as well as taking into account the frequency of their occurrence in the most commonly encountered words. All the grapheness taught are practised in words, sentences, and later on, in fully decodable books. Children review and revise GPCs and words, daily, weekly and across terms and years, in order to move this knowledge into their long term memory.

Children need to learn to read as quickly as reasonably possible, so they can move from learning to read, to reading to learn, giving them access to the treasure house of reading. Our expectations of progression are aspirational yet achievable if schools maintain pace, practice and participation by all children. Children who are not keeping-up with their peers should be given additional practice immediately through keep-up sessions.

Reception

Autumn 1 Phase 2 graphemes	New tricky words
s a t p i n m d g o c k ck e u r h b f l	is I the
Autumn 2 Phase 2 graphemes	New tricky words
ff ll ss j v w x y z zz qu ch sh th ng nk vords with -s /s/ added at the end (hats sits) vords ending -s /z/ (his) and with -s /z/ added at the end	put* pull* full* as and has his her go no to into she push* he of we me be

*The tricky words 'put', 'pull', 'full' and 'push' may not be tricky in some regional pronunciations; in which case, they should not be treated as such.

Spring 1 Phase 3 graphemes	New tricky words		
ai ee igh oa oo oo ar or ur ow oi ear air er	was you they my by all are sure pure		
words with double letters			

Spring 2 Phase 3 graphemes	No new tricky words
Review Phase 3	Review all taught so far
 longer words, including those with double letters 	
 words with -s /z/ in the middle 	
 words with -es /z/ at the end 	
 words with -s /s/ and /z/ at the end 	

Summer 1 Phase 4	New tricky words
Short vowels with adjacent consonants	said so have like some come love do were here little
cvcc ccvc ccvcc cccvc cccvcc	says there when what one out today
 longer words and compound words 	
words ending in suffixes:	
-ing, -ed /t/, -ed /id/ /ed/, -est	

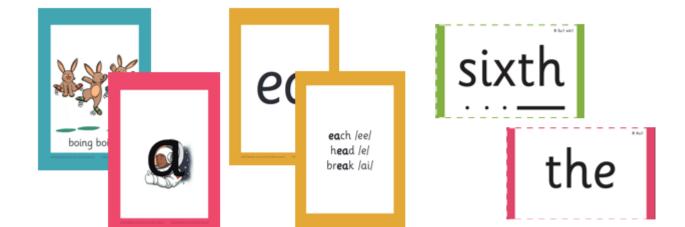
Summer 2 Phase 4 graphemes	No new tricky words
Phase 3 long vowel graphemes with adjacent consonants - CVCC CCVC CCCVC CCV CCVCC	Review all taught so far
words ending in suffixes: -ing, -ed /t/, -ed /id/ /ed/, -ed /d/ -er, -est -ing, -ed /t/, -ed /id/ /ed/, -ed /d/ -er, -est	
longer words and compound words	

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There are specific resources for the Little Wandle Programme which the children will become very familiar with. Each sound that we teach to begin with has either a mnemonic (like the astronaut that you can see below) or a phrase like boing-boing for 'oi'. This helps the children recognise and remember the graphemes. Every time we teach a new sound, we also read words during the phonics lesson that contain that new sound so that the children practise what they have learned. We then go on to reading a sentence containing some of those words. We have displays in the classroom and on the tables to support the children throughout the day.







Reading and spelling



TRICKY WORDS FOR RECEPTION AND YEAR 1

Spelling

- Say the word.
- Segment the sounds.
- Count the sounds.
- · Write them down.





How do we teach reading in books?

Reading practice sessions are:

- · timetabled three times a week
- taught by a trained teacher/teaching assistant
- taught in small groups.







Reading a book at the right level



This means that your child should:

- Know all the sounds and tricky words in their phonics book well
- Read many of the words by silent blending (in their head) – their reading will be automatic
- Only need to stop and sound out about 5% of the words by the time they bring the book home – but they should be able to do this on their own.



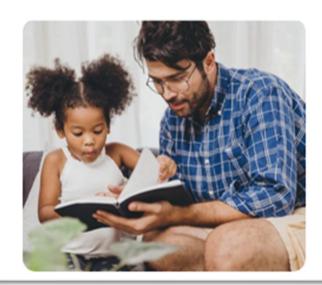
The most important thing you can do is read with your child



Reading a book and chatting had a positive impact a year later on children's ability to...

- · understand words and sentences
- · use a wide range of vocabulary
- develop listening comprehension skills.

The amount of books children were exposed to by age 6 was a positive predictor of their reading ability two years later.









- Your child should be able to read their book without your help.
- If they can't read a word read it to them.
- Talk about the book and celebrate their success.



As well as the 'learning to read' book that your child will bring home they will also bring home a book for sharing with you. This book is SO important. This is how we are going to give them the WILL to read. Please read with your child as often as you can – at least once a day if possible.

Read to your child

The shared book is for YOU to read:

- Make the story sound as exciting as you can by changing your voice.
- · Talk with your child as much as you can:
 - o Introduce new and exciting language
 - o Encourage your child to use new vocabulary
 - o Make up sentences together
 - o Find different words to use
 - o Describe things you see.







SIX KEY AREAS OF EARLY MATHEMATICS LEARNING



Cardinality and Counting

Understanding that the cardinal value of a number refers to the quantity, or 'howmanyness' of things it represents



Comparison

Understanding that comparing numbers involves knowing which numbers are worth more or less than each other



Composition

Understanding that one number can be made up from (composed from) two or more smaller numbers



Pattern

Looking for and finding patterns helps children notice and understand mathematical relationships



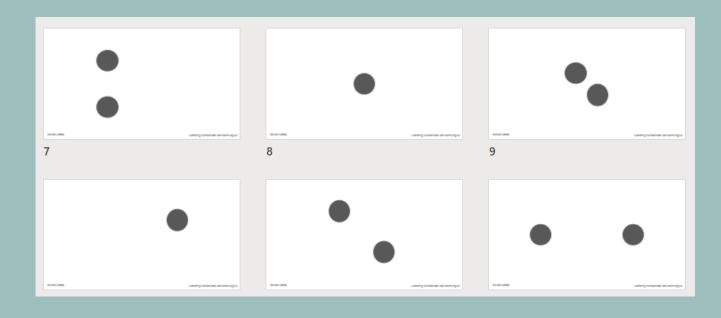
Shape and Space

Understanding what happens when shapes move, or combine with other shapes, helps develop wider mathematical thinking



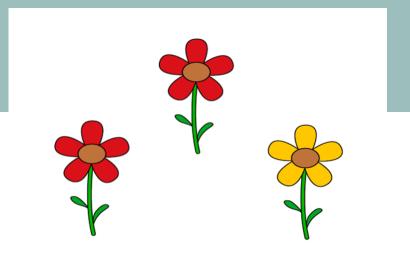
Measures

Comparing different aspects such as length, weight and volume, as a preliminary to using units to compare later

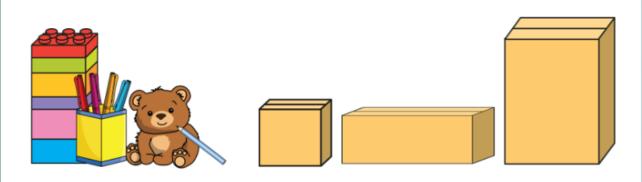












Which objects will fit inside each box?









Termly overviews

- Each term we will send home a termly overview via class dojo to let you know what exciting things we will be learning about in Reception.
- There will be different topics, books and skills as well as websites and ideas to support learning at home.

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Reception Autumn Term Overview

This term in Reception, we are exploring starting school. Autumn and celebrations. We will be learning all about our new class and our new school as well as looking at the rules and routines we follow. We will learn about the seasons and will look closely at Autumn. After half term, our topic is 'Let's Celebrate' where we will look at different celebrations including bonfire night, Diwali and of course, Christmas!

Take a look at the learning opportunities below to see what else we will be doing in school



- The Colour Monster
- •The Gingerbread Man

In phonics, we will be looking at phase 2. We will learn about initial sounds then move on to reading and writing CVC words.

- Subitise numbers to 5
- Count using the 1-to-1 principle Order numbers to 5
- · Compare numbers and amounts
- Look at the composition of numbers to 5
- Compare size, mass and capacity Explore simple patterns

- Children will need to come to school in full school PE kil on their PE day.
- We will be learning about core strength and balance.
- · We will be looking at travelling and agility after half



- · Why are some stories special: · Why do Christians perform nativity plays at Christmas?
- The celebration of Diwali

- We will look at holding a pencil and using it with control. We will learn about letter formation and writing our names. We will use simple tools such as scissors, knives and forks.
- We will listen carefully and learn new songs and rhymes. We will learn and use new vocabulary
- We will listen to, make and move to music. We will explore different artistic effects including paint and pastels.
- We will develop confidence and friendships. We will learn new rules and routines and follow them. We will talk about our feelings and look for solutions to problems.
- We will think about our family, different occupations and celebrating differences.
- We will use our senses, learn about materials and talk about oush and oull forces we can feel. We will think about the

- https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/ Phonics Play has free games for phase 1 and 2 phonics.
- https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b08bzfnh/numberblocks We use the Numberblocks to support our Maths
- https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks There are some great Numberblocks songs and activities here. https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?AgeGroup=1 Top Marks has lots of Early Years games and activities.
- https://www.ictgames.com/ ICT Games has both Maths and English games, some of these are great for using on a tablet

- Read every night with your child, encouraging them to read aloud.
- Sign your child's reading record at least once a week (these will be sent out in the first few weeks
- Send your child's book into school every Monday to be changed
- · Homework will be sent home every Friday

- . We will frequently update Class DoJo to tell you all about our learning. Talk to your child about what they have done
- Encourage your child to dress independently, including taking jumpers and cardigans off. Model and encourage them to turn their coats the right way round and to zip them up.



Homework expectations

- We will send home new phonics books and sharing books on a Tuesday. Books will be collected on a Monday. Keep your reading folder in your bag everyday as we may read on other occasions. Your child will choose the sharing book from a selection in school.
- Reception children should read to or with an adult every day to improve fluency and comprehension. Please sign reading records at least once each week.
- Reception children will be sent a weekly phonics homework linked to Little Wandle. We
 will send this on a Friday after we have taught the phonemes on there. You can add
 photos to your child's class dojo portfolio to show us them doing their homework for
 extra dojo points!

House Keeping

- PE days are Tuesday and Friday. Please send your child to school wearing their PE kit on these days.
- Water bottles should be filled at home each day with water.
- Please ensure all of your child's belongings are labelled, particularly water bottles, lunch boxes, jumpers and cardigans.
- Snack is free for all children in the morning. Reception children
 will also receive free milk and an afternoon snack. They can bring
 in a healthy snack from home if they prefer.
- Please check bags daily for letters, permission slips and artwork!
- Join class dojo and we love interactions so please like and comment on posts.



Any questions?