

COLWICH CE PRIMARY SCHOOL



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.

English

Some of the books we will look at this term are:

- •The Colour Monster
- •Room in the Broom
- •The Little Red Hen
- •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.

Maths

We will be using Mastering Number to:

- 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

We will also:

- Compare size, mass and capacity
- Explore simple patterns

PE

- Children will need to come to school in full school PE kit 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

Wider Curriculum

- 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 push and pull forces we can feel. We will think about the environment and the seasons.

Useful websites

- 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.

How to support your child at home

Reading and homework expectations:

- 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

Other ideas:

- We will frequently update Class DoJo to tell you all about our learning. Talk to your child about what they have done and what they have enjoyed.
- 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.



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