



# Reception Newsletter

Spring 2

February 2020

## Welcome Back!

We are excited about the 2nd half of the Spring Term ahead and have lots of fun lessons planned. Please continue to ensure your child arrives at school on time each day and tell us or telephone if you would like someone else to collect your child. We can only allow your child to leave with another adult if you have given your permission. We are always available to talk about any concerns you have regarding your child. Please do not hesitate to ask. However, we will sometimes need to make an appointment to discuss any concerns after school in order to meet yours and your child's needs.



### Themes

This half term our learning will be focused around Easter and New Life. We are looking forward to hatching our own chicks and our visit from Alday's Farm. As well as learning about animal life cycles, we will be growing our own broad beans and other seeds linking to the story of "Jack and the Beanstalk." We will also be looking for signs of Spring in our outside area. The children will also share their own favourite stories during "Book Week" and are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character to celebrate World Book Day. The children will be exploring these through the six learning areas of the Early Years Foundation Stage.



### Library Books

The children will continue to be given a new library book each Monday. Try to read the book regularly to your child throughout the week. This broadens their vocabulary and develops their understanding of story structures. Please ensure you return library books each Monday.

### Reading

The children are making good progress with their phonics and most have reading books. Please support your child with their reading by listening to them read every night. This daily practice is essential if they are to make good progress. The children have also all taken home sets of 'Tricky Words'. These are words that they cannot sound out and need to use the 'Look and Say' method to read them. Please help your child to practice reading these words regularly.

### Homework

We will continue to send phonics/number homework home each Friday. Please support your child to complete this homework and return it to school each Monday.

### WOW wall and EEXAT

Wow slips are available each day. Please try to complete these as often as you can so we can celebrate and share your child's achievements or celebrations from home. For example, having stabilisers taken off bike, first swimming badge, clubs that they attend outside of school or anything at all that they have done to make you feel proud. You have all been given a login for EEXAT. Please use this programme to share your child's learning from home with us. We regularly send photos and observations from school home using EEXAT. Please share these with your child and make a comment.

**Targets** We will be assessing the children against their individual targets at the end of the term. Please continue to support your children with these.

### Things to remember

Homework:

Given out: Friday

Due in: Monday

PE will be every Thursday morning. Please could your child bring a named PE kit the pump bag provided by school. This can be taken home at the end of every half term. We cannot guarantee that kit which is not named will be returned if lost.

### Forthcoming Events

Book fair - w/b 24.2.20

World Book Day - Thursday March 5th.

Alday's Farm—Thursday 12th March (Payment of £5 for this event should be made via Parent —Pay as soon as possible.)

Sports Relief - Friday 13th March

Parent's Evening— Wednesday 25th March

EYFS Easter Assembly and bonnet parade —Thursday 26th March