

Reception Autumn 1 Overview



Welcome to Reception!

Dear Parents,

Our topic for this half term is 'Me and My Feelings'. We will be learning about our feelings, emotions and behaviours. A brief overview of each curricular area can be found overleaf which we hope you will find helpful.

If you have any questions please feel free to come and speak to Miss Blackburn or Mrs Needham at home time, make an appointment or email us at: staff@broughtonprimary.co.uk. Thank you very much for your support!

Reading

Children are expected to read for at least ten minutes each night to accompany our guided reading sessions and other reading opportunities presented in class daily. Please sign your child's 'home record' book when each book has been read and place this with the reading book into the reading tray on the unit above your child's tray. These home records are checked daily and completed books are then changed to allow your child to progress through our reading scheme. We encourage children to change their books as often as possible.

During the first half term in reception, story sacks are available to take home each Monday morning. These should be returned by the following Monday. Please sign out your chosen story sack, using the list provided.

Homework

Children are asked to complete topic homework each half term. There are six activities to choose from; two of which are compulsory. Please bring this homework into school as and when completed.

Dates for your diary

Monday 16th September- LEP class photographs
Monday 23rd September -First celebration worship.
Friday 4th October - Book Fair opens/ Mad Hatter Day
Tuesday 16th October 4-7pm or Wednesday 17th October 4-6pm- Parents Evening.
Friday 18th October – School finishes for half term.

Communication and Language/ Literacy

This half term, we will be focusing on the story 'Ruby's Worry'. We will be learning about the meaning of the word 'worry' and finding ways to overcome our own worries. We will be thinking about our thoughts, feelings and emotions. In phonics we will begin to segment and blend words to turn ourselves into amazing readers and writers.

Please make sure to have a go at the games to support our new phonics knowledge on phonicsplay.co.uk and ictgames.com/literacy.

Maths

Number will be the focus of our first half term in reception. We will be recalling our previous knowledge of numbers and learning lots of new skills behind counting, such as, matching number to quantity, counting objects one by one and counting actions.

Please make sure to have a go at the Mathletics homework, which is set each Friday. A password and username for Mathletics can be found in the front of your child's reading record.

Knowledge and Understanding

Features of our local environment will be explored by going on walks around our school and the local environment. We will be taking photographs of familiar buildings and places and using these to construct a map of our local area.

We will be getting to know each other by discussing the important people in our lives and the special memories we have made with these people.

In addition, we will be learning how to use technology to make marks; using the interactive whiteboard.

Physical Development

We will be focusing on balance and moving in a variety of ways in our outdoor environment. We will also be developing our fine motor skills using our finger gym, flipper flapper dance and malleable area.

We use our fantastic outdoor area in all weather; please make sure that your child has named waterproof clothing and wellies in school at all times.

Expressive Art and Design

We will be creating self-portraits and portraying our feelings and emotions using a variety of media. We will be looking at the work of Picasso during his 'Blue Period' and using colours to express how we are feeling. Expression will also be explored through dance.

PE

Reception will have one PE session per week; taught by Mr Bentham. This will take place each Thursday afternoon. Please ensure your child has full PE kit in school ready for this session. We will be developing our gross motor skills daily by exploring our vast outdoor area. This is full of fantastic opportunities to learn!

RE

Our R.E focus this half term will be 'I am Special'. We will be talking about the special people in our lives and what makes them special to us. We will be learning about why the word of God is so important to us as Christians.

Homework Tasks for Autumn Term 1 2019

Task 1

Draw a map of your journey to school.

(Adult supported)

Task 2

Our R.E topic this half term is 'I am Special'. Please take a photograph of an object that is special to you and bring this to school.

(Adult supported)

Task 3

Create a self-portrait using materials of your choice.

(Independent)

Task 4

Can you recognise numbers in the environment?

Take pictures or write a list of the numbers you have seen.

(Adult supported)

Task 5

Environmental sounds walk. Go on a walk with an adult and record the sounds you can hear, using pictures.

(Adult supported)

Task 6

Bring your favourite book in from home to share with your classmates.

(Independent)