EYFS Autumn 1 Overview



Welcome to EYFS!

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 Mrs Needham, Mrs Dickinson, Miss Britt, Mrs Smalley or Miss Turner at home time, make an appointment or email us at: staff@broughtonprimary.co.uk. Thank you very much for your support!

Reading

In nursery, we would like the children to read with an adult for enjoyment, learn to turn the pages one at a time and retell a story using the pictures.

During the first half term in reception, we will send home wordless story books. These books only contain pictures. Please use the pictures to re-tell what is happening at each part of the story. We'd encourage lots of comprehension type questions, e.g. "What is the character doing?" "What's happening in the story?" "What might happen next/at the end?" Please write in the reading record to let us know how they are getting on. Please re-read the books for pleasure. The reading records are checked daily and completed books will be changed on Tuesdays and Fridays. Your child can access other online reading books of the same level throughout the year on https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk/ The login details will be in the front cover of your childs reading diary.

Homework

Nursery – we would love to see any achievements from home or any birthday celebration pictures that you have so we can compare them to Maisy's birthday party.

Reception - Children are asked to complete topic homework each half term. There are six activities to choose from; two of which are compulsory. Please upload these onto Tapestry to share with us at school.

Dates for your dairy
Tuesday 9th September (9am) - Meet the Teacher (EYFS)
Friday 26th September – National Fitness Day
Tuesday 30th September – Flu Immunisations
Wednesday 15th & Thursday 16th October - Parents' Evenings
Friday 24th October– School finishes for half term.

Communication and Language/ Literacy/Phonics

In nursery this half term, we will be reading the story ‘Happy Birthday Maisy’. We will be making lots of party items to think about celebrations. In phonics we will begin to spot and suggest rhymes.

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 verbally to turn ourselves into amazing readers and writers. We follow ‘Bug Club’ Phonics scheme. Your child will get Phonics homework each Friday, to be handed in by the following Wednesday. Please support your child with completing this.

Maths

In nursery, we will be singing number rhymes. We will develop fast recognition of up to 3 objects. We will show finger numbers up to 5. We will begin to make marks for numerals.

In reception, ‘number’ will be the focus of our first half term. 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.

Understanding the World

In nursery we will begin to make sense of our own life story and family history.

We will explore features of our school environment by having sensory walks around all our outdoor spaces and at Forest School.

In reception 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 with activities in our 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

In Nursery we will listen with increased attention to sounds around us. We will take part in pretend play in the home corner.

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

Nursery will have their P.E. session on Tuesday mornings and this half term we will be practising agility, balance and coordination skills.

Reception will have their PE session on a Wednesday and a dance session with our dance specialist teacher Sally on a Friday. Please ensure your child has full PE kit in school.

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 2025

Task 1	Task 2	Task 3
Draw a picture of your family.	Our R.E topic this half term is 'I am Special'. Please take a photograph of an object that is special to you and upload it to Tapestry.	*Create a self-portrait using materials of your choice.*
(Adult supported)	(Adult supported)	*(Independent)*

Task 4	Task 5	Task 6
Can you recognise numbers in the environment?	Environmental sound walk. Go on a walk with an adult and record the sounds you can hear, using pictures.	*Bring your favourite book in from home to share with your classmates.*
Take pictures or write a list of the numbers you have seen.	(Adult supported)	*(Independent)*
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