

## Reception Class information

### Book changing day

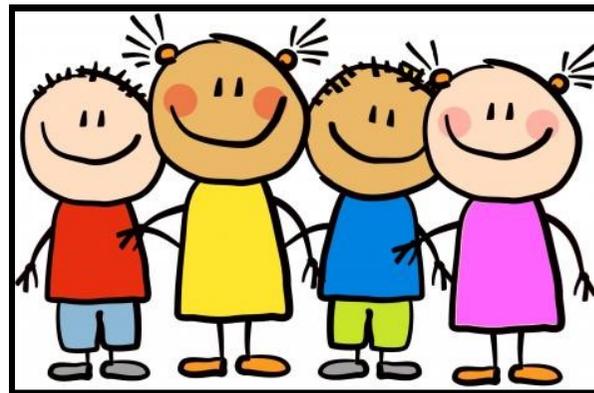
Book bags need to be brought to school on a Thursday and will be returned on a Friday so that teachers can change library books, reading books and tricky words.

### Tricky Words

In your child's book bag are the tricky words that they are practising to read. We split these in to small groups and give each group a character your child knows. These tricky words cannot be sounded out and children need to learn them by sight. You can cut these up and mix them so that your child is confident recognising the words.

More information at the drop in (23rd January 2020).

Thank you  
Reception Staff



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### Dates for your Diary

#### Do you want to know how to support your child with reading?

Drop in session (3:30-3:40) Thursday 23rd January in your child's classroom.

#### Parents evening

11th and 13th February

#### Trip

Hatton Country World—12th March 2020

### A note from Reception staff

Thank you for your continued support last term and for the lovely gifts and kind messages at Christmas. We hope that you all had a lovely break with your family and are ready for the new year.

As the weather is getting colder please make sure your child has hat, scarf and gloves with their name in. Warm coats are also needed as we often use the outdoor area. Please support your child to practise zipping their coat up independently.

### **Personal Social and Emotional Development**

We will continue to use the strategies from 'I can do it' programme which will help us to build up the skills we need to become confident and resilient learners! We will also be following the Jigsaw PSHE programme to develop understanding our feelings.

### **Physical Development**

We will continue to learn to use our outdoor environment with our friends and how to take risks. We are developing our strength using the crates and planks and our fine motor skills using pegs and spray bottles. We will also be learning how to play games as part of a group and share and take turns when playing a team game.  
And continuing our weekly yoga.

### **Communication and language**

We will be sharing our ideas about books we have read, activities we have chosen to complete and our teachers will support us to communicate effectively with our friends. We will talk about the meaning of new vocabulary that we encounter and practise giving reasons for our ideas.

### **Literacy**

This term, some of us will practise recognising our sounds and blending them together to read words. Some of us will be reading sentences and books. We are also practising our tricky words, we can not sound these out we have to learn them by sight. We will provide you with further information about this at parents evening and during the literacy workshop too. We assess children across Year 1 and 2 in a similar way and through doing this we are able to provide each child with specific, appropriate and challenging opportunities.

### **Exploring Arts and design**

We will be exploring colours, media and textures as well as using and developing our own imaginative ideas. We will be looking at different ways to attach resources together, colour mixing and choosing an appropriate colour for a purpose.

### **Maths**

We will continue to develop the skills we need to become confident mathematicians such as careful counting, looking at number patterns, solving a range of problems and giving reasons for our solutions so that we can explain how we arrived at an answer.

### **Understanding the world**

We will be looking at our own outdoor environment and begin to understand what recycling is and how it can affect the world that we live in. We will look at different scientific concepts such as floating sinking, magnetic, properties of materials as well as planting seeds and bulbs outdoors.