



Tuesday 20th February 2018

Dear Parents,

Reception Curriculum information for Spring 2

We are very excited to embark on the next part of our learning journey and have lots of engaging opportunities planned over the next few weeks. Over this half term we are going to be developing our 'Text-based' topic around some of the traditional tales, beginning with a couple of favourites, 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and 'The Ginger bread man'. This will provide us with lots of role play, drama and literacy opportunities. To kick start this we will be walking down to the Congregational church panto stage (not watch a performance) to explore props, costume and back stage that the Harden Players use. Then when we head back to school, we can set up our own stage area in the classroom.

The topic will have a 'Food Glorious Food' theme to it, and will include, what plants need to grow, where food comes from and how we stay healthy. We will be planting our own beans and growing real food!

Alongside this we hope to cover lots of other areas of the curriculum such as People who help us, Lent, Mother's day, Easter, World book day and Fairtrade. For our 'People Who Help us' week, this week we are meeting with a Police man, a doctor and Mr Scull our school site manager. We will keep you informed of any visitors and upcoming trips.

Literacy: The children are now becoming keen readers and writers, and are able to apply their phonics to reading books and writing short captions, sentences and even stories. They are making good progress on their phonics journey and are now carefully applying what they have learnt over the last couple of terms to their writing and are working within the different phases of phonics.



Practising reading and writing of their key words in the home journal, along with daily reading of the levelled book is the main way in which you can support at home. As the children become confident with their words, and are able to read and spell quickly and accurately, we will move them onto the next words. The children are now much more competent at using story language to re-tell and write about the stories that we are using in class.

Dates for your diary

Monday 19th February - Mr Scull to visit Reception class

Tuesday 20th February - AM -Police visit Reception Class
PM Doctor visit Reception class

Monday 26th February - Reception to visit the Panto backstage/ props

Thursday 1st March - World Book Day (come dressed as your favourite book character)

W/C 19th March - Topic week - Art focus for Reception class.

21st/ Thurs 22nd March - Parents evening (more info to be shared soon)

PE - Monday and Friday	Library -Friday	Baking - Various
Spelling words - Book change day		Number Zumba check - Tuesday

*Mystery Reader- 2.45pm- various dates available if you wish to sign up!

**Baking- Thank you to all of you who have volunteered so far - please let us know if you are available to come and help!!

I have begun organising our next trip; more details will be shared with you over the next week. In the meantime, should you have any questions, please pop in and speak to a member of the Reception class team.

Many thanks

Mrs Ruddock

