

# Reception Newsletter - June 2020



Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Welcome back! It has been lovely to see some of you returning to school. Every effort has been made to ensure that your child's and the staff's safety is paramount. This week the children have been learning all about social distancing and the importance of good hygiene. As they are being taught in small groups of 10, we are really hoping that more of you will join us as soon as possible.

The staff have planned a wide range of activities to help the children to catch up with basic skills in Literacy, Phonics and Maths, aiming to plug some of the gaps before the children move to Year 1. This is a crucial time during which your child really would benefit from being at school for their allotted days (RFC - Mondays and Tuesdays; RH - Thursdays and Fridays)



There are lots of activities for you to do at home when you are not in school, including our new Maths program called Numbots. The children have their own login and we are asking that they spend 20 minutes a day to practise their numbers to 10 and beyond, helping them to secure key knowledge and skills before they move to Year 1. Staff at school will be able to monitor how often this is accessed. The children will also enjoy trying to get the highest score in Reception!



Your child will still be able to watch the daily Ruth Miskin phonics sessions on YouTube (from 9.30 a.m.) These provide the opportunity to learn new sounds as well as practising familiar ones alongside the reading of more complex words and sentences. Do make use of these valuable resources as they are high quality and the children enjoy them. This will help to provide further practice and development of their phonics skills which supports their reading and writing development.



## Home Learning



Check each week to see what work has been set by school. This complements what we have been learning in the classroom. Don't forget to keep reading with your child and talking about what has been read. It is really important to try to keep developing your child's learning on the days they are not in school. Remember, you can do some activities together, talking about what you have done.

# Stories and Rhymes

## Stories to read:

'Little Red Riding Hood'  
'Jack and the Beanstalk'  
'The Enormous Turnip'.  
'The Three Little Pigs.'  
'The Gingerbread Man'  
and other fairy tales.

## We are going to:

Act out stories;  
describe characters; write a  
list of things to take to  
Grandma  
follow instructions to make a  
sandwich;  
re-tell stories  
make a story map;  
tell our own stories;  
learn set 2 sounds  
and words



## We are learning about:

Plants; growing seeds;  
labelling parts of a plant;  
keeping a bean diary;  
planting cress seeds; finding  
out where food comes from;  
fruit tasting; what makes a  
rainbow; colour-mixing

## We are learning about:

Number bonds to 10;  
partitioning;  
addition and subtraction  
numbers to 20  
estimating  
making patterns  
2D shapes  
measuring using non-  
standard units - beans;  
giant's feet.



## Useful Websites:

- ❖ [www.phonicsplay.co.uk](http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk)
- ❖ [www.teachyourmonstertoread.com](http://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com)
- ❖ [www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies](http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies)
- ❖ [www.oxfordowl.co.uk](http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk)
- ❖ [www.familylearning.org.uk/phonics\\_games](http://www.familylearning.org.uk/phonics_games)
- ❖ [www.readingeggs.co.uk](http://www.readingeggs.co.uk)
- ❖ [www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/kids-activities/fun-maths-games-and-activities/](http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/kids-activities/fun-maths-games-and-activities/)
- ❖ [www.twinkl.co.uk](http://www.twinkl.co.uk)
- ❖ YouTube – pure sounds with Ruth Miskin
- ❖ [www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years](http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years)
- ❖ [www.educationalappstore.com](http://www.educationalappstore.com)
- ❖ [www.familylearning.org.uk](http://www.familylearning.org.uk)
- ❖ [www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary)
- ❖ [www.bbc.co.uk/schoolradio/subjects/earlylearning/nurserysongs](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schoolradio/subjects/earlylearning/nurserysongs)