

# Reception Autumn Term



## All About Me - Autumn 1

Our first topic 'All about me' is designed to support the children as they start school. During the first half term children will be getting used to the classroom, new routines and each other. Children will talk about who is special to them, where they live and will share some of their favourite things.

We will talk about the school rules and learn how to express our emotions effectively, as well as coping with change. The children will explore activities around the learning environment based on the topic and will have the opportunity to paint pictures of their friends and family, role play home life and experiment with different forms of technology at school.



## Out of this World - Autumn 2



Our topic for the second half term is 'Out of this World'. During this topic the children will get the chance to dress up as astronauts, explore space and might even have a special visit from some alien friends. Children will be encouraged to develop their speaking and listening skills as well as show a clear understanding of the behavioural expectations at school.

The children will get the opportunity to go on a local walk to observe the weather and any changes that take place between autumn and winter. We will also be putting on a special Christmas performance so be sure to have your cameras at the ready!



## Literacy



In Literacy this term the children will learn the correct formation for the letters in their names and the corresponding letter shapes for the 'sounds of the week' alongside our daily phonics lessons. We will learn how to blend and segment for reading and spelling and begin to write simple sentences. We will also learn simple rhymes and the children will listen to stories linked to our topic.

## Maths

In maths we will be counting, ordering and recognising numerals and amounts up to 20. Please help your child to count out loud and look out for numbers when you're out and about. We will begin to talk about one more and one less of a given number as well as describing 2D and 3D shapes. Children will also be given the opportunity to explore and compare the height, length and weight of objects.



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### Home learning

We change books twice a week in school. We ask that you read with your child every day, encouraging them to talk about the pictures and begin to sound out the words. Please remember to sign in your child's reading diary every time you read with them. This can also include reading a favourite book from home (not just the school books.) Children will also receive some optional fun phonics games to reinforce their learning of that week.