



Stanburn Primary School
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Reception Curriculum Newsletter
Autumn 2023—first half



Key Events:

Tuesday 26th September: Reception Parents Workshop

Macmillan coffee morning: 29th September 08:45-09:30

October 2022: Black History Month

Thursday 5th October: National Poetry Day

Friday 20th October: Final day of the half term (3:10pm finish)

Monday 23rd—Friday 27th October: Half Term

Monday 30th October: Children to school (8:35-8:45am)



Communication and language

At fruit and milk time and at home time, we will share and talk about different stories. We will use language in play to communicate with one another and adults. We will read stories such as The Colour Monster. Taking it in turns, we will share our own experiences of Nursery and discuss how it compares to Reception.

Literacy

We will learn to recognise and write our own names, forming our letters carefully. We will learn how to handle books with care and we will begin to learn the sounds of letters. We will read with a grown up, telling stories in our own words. Soon we will be able to take books home in our new book bags!



Welcome to Reception

Our curriculum newsletters will give you an overview of what we will be teaching each half term. Read on to find out what Reception will be learning during the first half of the autumn term. Please come and see us if you have any questions.

Mr Lyon (R-Emerald), Miss Holgate (R-Fern) and Miss Berry (R-Olive)

The school target for attendance is 97%.

This half term's topic is:
Marvellous Me!



Mathematics

During this term the children will be looking at matching, sorting and comparing objects and resources around the classroom. We will also talk about measuring and patterns using paint and mathematical manipulatives.



Understanding the world



We will share our knowledge of the world around us, safely playing in the sand, water and digging areas in our outdoor environments. Following a recipe carefully, we will make long and short breadsticks.

Personal, social and emotional development

It is important to listen to instructions in the classroom and around the school. We will find out how to access and tidy away equipment. Sharing with our new friends will be another important skill to learn. We will get to know our classroom routines and talk about what makes us happy or sad.

How you can support your child at home:

- Read a story together. Ask your child to write the story in their own words.
- Practise writing your child's name.
- Practise writing numbers to ten.
- Talk about school with your child. What have they done today? Who have they seen? Where have they been?
- Practise changing and going to the toilet independently.



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Physical development



We will manage our own physical needs e.g. going to the toilet, washing hands, drinking water. We will use mark making equipment and we will talk about what we have drawn/written. Using play dough, we will develop our hand movements. We will use the large outside equipment carefully and safely.

Home Learning

Please make sure you have returned your child's purple 'All About Me' books by Friday 29th September 2023. The children will be presenting their books to their peers and will be sharing their interests and adventures over the summer with everyone in the class. We would then love to put them on display in the classroom!

We will be holding parent workshops during the Autumn term. There will be four workshops over two separate days.

- 1) Reading and Home learning
- 2) Phonics and Curriculum

Further details will be shared during the first half term.

Thank you,
The Reception Team

Expressive arts and design



We will share songs and explore a variety of musical instruments. We will role play in the home corner, sharing and negotiating with other children. We will use paint for colour mixing and choose our own materials to make and create. We will also be dancing to music in order to express ourselves.

Understanding the World - Computing

We will go to the Computing suite and learn how to use a desktop computer. We will begin to learn some of our Golden Rules for Computing such as not sharing our passwords or personal information. We will learn how to use other Computing equipment safely and with respect.



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WEEKLY SCHEDULES

PE Days: You will receive an e-mail informing you which days your child will have indoor and outdoor PE.



PE

Children will attend school wearing full PE kit on their PE days. Please provide a spare change of clothes in PE bags in case of emergencies. A reminder letter will be sent to all Reception parents in the coming week. Remember there should be **no** jewellery worn on these days!

Please note that your child cannot take part in PE if they are wearing jewellery.

Any religious bands on the wrists can be covered with a sweatband.

