

Reception - Term 4



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Curriculum Overview for term 4

In term 4 we will be learning about healthy lifestyles, including eating balanced meals and doing exercise. We will learn about how to keep safe and how to keep risks to a minimum. Along the way we will be cooking and eating healthy food including making smoothies and trying out fruit from around the world. We will also be learning about how food grows and where food comes from. If any of you would be able to come into school to prepare or cook a healthy dish with the children then we would love to hear from you.

We will be discussing which foods are healthier and which foods are a treat. As part of keeping active we will visit Hoo Recreation ground and take part in some exercise.

P.E.

P.E. this term continues every Friday afternoon, so please ensure that your child has their full P.E. kit at school on this day. We will send the kits home at the end of each term for washing – there is no need to take them home each week. All clothing, including shoes and P.E. kit should be named. Earrings cannot be worn for PE so please remember to remove your child's earrings on a Friday.

Lost Items

Every day we are asked to find clothing belonging to children in reception—we are happy to do this as we appreciate they are still learning to take care of their possessions, but please, please help by naming all belongings. Also please remember that if you want to come back into class at the end of the school day to find something, you need to wait until the teacher on the door has dismissed everyone first for safety reasons. There are lots of un-named jumpers and cardigans on the pegs outside the classroom – please take a look and see if any of them belong to your child.

Weather

Just a quick reminder – please ensure your child is dressed suitably for the weather. Children must have a coat as they will be playing outdoors every day.

Independent children

From term 4 we will be asking that parents no longer come into the classroom in the morning. The books will be outside for you to change your child's book with them and of course the coats are outside. So all your child needs to do is put away their book bag, their water bottle and their packed lunch. We have noticed that many of the children do this all for themselves now and wish to extend this opportunity for independence to everyone. If you foresee any problems with this for your child then [please talk](#) to a member of reception staff.

50p contribution

Thank you to everyone who has contributed 50p a week towards a carbohydrate snack for the children. We have noticed that there are fewer contributions trickling in which means we will not be able to provide snacks as often. If you have not contributed recently please consider doing so either online, at the school office or to the class teacher. Thank you.

Other donations

We are always pleased to receive items that you no longer have use for at home. If you can help by donating any of the following items we would be most grateful- curtain rings, buttons, mirrors, keys, nuts/bolts, wooden crates/boxes, old strips of laminate flooring, clocks, coins, cable reels, metal/wicker baskets/bowls, neutral coloured fabrics, cushions, teapots, cutlery, cups and plates. Thank you in advance.

Reading rockets

In term 4 we will continue to record the number of times you and your child read together with the aim of providing a gift for the first few who reach 100 reads. Please ensure the yellow book (reading record) and the reading book are returned to school each day.

If your child is now on Read Write Inc reading scheme books please note these are changed on Fridays – so need to be in their book bags to be changed. This goes for the library book too which is also changed on a Friday.

We are excited to see what the next term brings as you will notice your child making rapid progress now: becoming more independent and able to talk about what they have been learning.

Regards,

Miss Lindal (Fox class) and Mrs Üzer (Badger class)