

# Reception

## Autumn 2 2023

### Staff in Reception

Mr Watkins, Mrs Lawton, Miss Howarth  
Mrs Wright, Mrs Wilson, Miss Ukadia

### Literacy

Within our Literacy sessions we will be exploring different celebrations, through the following texts:

Festival of Colours  
The Best Diwali Ever  
The Scarecrow's Wedding  
The Jolly Christmas Postman  
Stick Man

The children develop their skills in sequencing stories. They will draw or paint elements from different stories, design and write Christmas cards, as well as use their developing phonics knowledge to label their writing.

In story time, at the end of each day, we will read stories in detail, learn vocabulary and answer questions on different texts. We will focus particularly on reading Festival of Colours, and learn to retell the story, with actions and create a story map to help retell it.

To help your child at home, please help them engage in learning our RWI sounds, and read to them regularly.

We are discussing adjectives, nouns, verbs and apostrophes.

#### **How to help your child**

Talk about what your child wants to write.  
Encourage your child to remember punctuation.  
Learn how to spell common exception words eg because, would, could, who (see list)  
Work on letter formation  
Work on handwriting

### Subjects

#### Topic

We will be learning about different celebrations and traditions around the world and changes in seasons from autumn to winter.

#### Project

The children will use a range of media, tools and techniques to construct and paint a Diya lamp.

#### Personal Development

Our topic is called 'Celebrating Difference'. Children will discuss and learn that we are all different, Accept that everyone is different, and that everyone is special. They will learn how to include others when working and playing, be a kind friend and why their homes are special places.

### Reminders

Please remember to log on to Class Dojo regularly. We upload photos of the children at school, as well as put links to learning, read write inc sounds and home activities which will enhance your child's learning.

We will also start PE lessons on Tuesdays. Please ensure your child brings their PE kit to school every Monday.

### Maths

In Reception, we will be exploring shapes such as circles and triangles. We will then move on to representing numbers to 5. After that, we will learn about finding one more or one less within numbers to 5. Finally, we will explore four sided shapes. All our learning will also be supplemented by different activities and challenges within provision.

#### How to help your child

Support your child to recognise numbers to 5.  
To recognise how many tens/ones in a number.  
Counting forwards and backwards 1-5 using different objects.  
Writing numbers 1-5.  
Comparing numbers of objects, objects by size, length (taller or shorter) or mass (heavy or light)  
Ordering numbers 1-5  
Identify and recognise squares, circles and triangles.  
Understand what activities they do during the day or at nighttime.

To support your child at home, use this link to access resources linked to our autumn topics.

[Maths home learning | Home learning | White Rose Maths \(whiteroseeducation.com\)](#)