



Friday 10th January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

The Reception team hope you had a wonderful Christmas break, we are excited to get back to doing some brilliant learning with your child. Our learning this term will follow the themes below:



	Spring One	Spring Two
Theme	Super Scientists	Capes and Crown
Focus Text	The Magic Porridge Pot	The Three Little Pigs
RE Focus	Christianity: The Creation Story	Christianity: Easter



Spring One will provide children with the opportunity to explore their inner scientists. We will be taking part in different focus investigations each week and testing our prediction skills. In Spring Two, our focus will be on traditional tales, supported by our focus text 'The Three Little Pigs'. We will be learning about the key features of traditional tales and writing our own!

PE: Tuesdays

PE will continue to take place on Tuesdays, led by dance teachers Miss Leyla and Miss Wallis. Please send your child to school with their PE kit on Mondays, ready for them to change into during the week. Kits will be sent home on Tuesday evenings so that they can be washed for the next week. **PE kit should be labelled with your child's name, as is expected for their school uniform.** Please note, for your own child's welfare, hooped earrings are not to be worn and if necessary, they should be replaced with studs.

Reading: Thursdays

We will continue to change your child's reading books every Thursday. Please remember to write in your child's reading record to confirm they have read that week. This will let the Reception team know that your child has read, and they will receive a stamp on their Reading Bookmark. Their Reading Bookmark is kept in school and once it is filled with 12 stamps, your child will receive a Reading Certificate in our Friday Celebration Assembly. If your child's Reading Record is not signed, we will assume that they have not read that week. In the case of a lost Reading Record, there will be a cost of £1 to replace it. In the case of a lost or damaged reading book, there will be a £6 cost to replace it.

Homework: Fridays

Your child will continue to receive homework on Fridays so please make sure that they bring their homework book to school on Friday each week. Please also look out for online homework, set on EducationCity. Your child's log in details are attached inside their homework book. We place a lot of importance on engaging with your child to complete their Phonics homework as this will reinforce the learning that we do in school and will support them in becoming confident readers. Homework can be completed in homework books or evidenced via our online learning platform, Tapestry. Children receive 10 House Points for every piece of homework they complete.

Early Bird Reading: Fridays

Early Bird Reading takes place in the Reception area, every Friday morning, 8.40 – 8.55am. This is an opportunity for you to read with your child in class, which the children get particularly excited by as it means they can show you our classroom and share our class books with you. It leads nicely into our Friday Celebration assemblies (9.10am) which we encourage all parents to join us in attending.

Tapestry

Thank you to all the parents who have been engaging with Tapestry during Autumn term, we have loved to receive updates on your child's learning at home. Please continue to share photos of their home/ weekend learning with us so that we can praise them in school.

If you ever have any questions or concerns, please speak to a member of the Reception team at the end of the day. We look forward to continuing to support your child with their learning and are excited to see what the children achieve in this term.

Best wishes, Ms Battey and Mrs Lovell

