



Shepherd Primary School



Reception Ryeland Curriculum Newsletter Autumn 2020



Class Teacher:
Mrs Luts

TA: Mrs Hunt

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Communication, Language and Literacy

The children will begin phonics daily lessons starting with phase two of the 'Letters and Sounds' phonics programme. We will learn how to use a text map to retell stories and look at lots of stories about families and different places in the world.

The children will be encouraged to talk about their families, homes and themselves and to learn and use new vocabulary.

We will focus on beginning to write our names and forming letters correctly. In our phonics sessions we will focus on forming the letters that we are learning about and using them to create short words.

Important Dates this Term

- w/c 14th September: Off by Heart Poetry Recital week
- w/c 14th September: Week 2 of Enrichment Fortnight
- Wednesday 16th September: Braiswick in to take individual photographs of all children
- Friday 18th September: PTA AGM (via Zoom)
- Friday 18th September: SEN IPPs to be sent home to parents (instead of our usual SEN Open Morning)
- Friday 2nd October: Christmas card designs to be sent home to parents, to be returned by Friday 16th October
- Friday 16th October: Flu nasal spray for children in Reception – Year 6

Mathematics

We will be looking at counting to twenty and back, recognising numbers to five and beyond. We will be focused on subitising (recognising amounts without counting), pattern creation and matching amounts. The children will engage in lots of number singing, games, puzzles and practical activities to support their mathematical learning. We will also be thinking about counting accurately and making amounts in different ways.

Routines & Homework:

- **PE** – On Wednesday – please come in kit
- **Home Learning** – will be set on Tapestry or google classroom to commence 21.9.20
- **Reading** – Will go out on Mondays (week commencing 21.9.20) and will be taken in on Thursdays
- **Show and Tell** – unfortunately we are not able to allow the children to bring items from home but we would like them to share news and any interesting facts about our class topics. Information regarding this will be on Tapestry.

Curriculum Information – I am Special

Understanding the World – We will be looking at where we live, where our families come from and some of the special times we like to celebrate. We will be thinking about our birthdays and why they are special.

Physical Development – We are very lucky to be enjoying PE sessions with Watford Football Club and will be thinking about moving to rhythms in our class based physical sessions.

Expressive Arts and Design – We will be looking at creating models of our families, friends and homes. We will also be experimenting with different media from watercolour to charcoal.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development – Our Jigsaw theme for this term is 'Being Me in my World'

If you have any particular expertise or interest in any of our curriculum topics for this term, and would like to share this with the class, please contact the class teacher.

Further information can be found on the curriculum and class web pages <http://www.shepherd.herts.sch.uk/class-pages/reception.html>