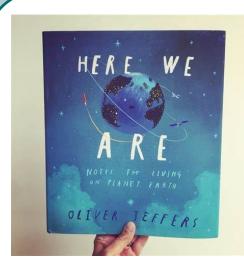


#### Welcome to Early Years

In Reception the teacher is Mr Tunnell. We also have Ms Kosar, Mrs Bibi and Miss Hall working with us.

Passion
Opportunity
Well-being
Expression
Reflection



## Reading

Our class text is 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers. We are thinking about our world around us and how we are all one big connected community.

Children will receive a new book to take home every THURSDAY.

Nursery Children will receive a picture book.

Reception children will receive a picture book and a bank book (Children talk about the pictures and make their own story up).

## **English**

This first term's focus is all about writing their name, recognising familiar letters and developing their finger control so they can hold a pencil.

At home, please help your child to practice writing their full name.

#### **Maths**

In Maths we are thinking about numbers 1-5 (for Nursery children) and 1-10 (for Reception). Children need to be able to count aloud, recognise numerals and match to groups. As we progress through this term, we will talk to you about specific next steps for your child in Maths.

At home, you can continue to count groups of objects. Remind children that the last number is the total.

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#### Wider Curriculum

This first half term, will be about everyone getting to know each other. As your child has had so much time away from us, it is very important that we are able to spend as much time as possible with them to assess their knowledge. We will plan opportunities where they can develop their sharing skills, speaking and listening skills as well as opportunities for moving around in our new outdoor space.

Please speak to us if you think your child has a particular need we need to address urgently.

#### **Vocabulary**

Developing vocabulary is very important for children. They need to learn new words every day and to practice using them in their play. Children learn new words best when they are meaningful. When you are playing with your children please use new vocabulary wherever possible.

E.g. When playing with a jigsaw puzzle you could use words such as 'fit' 'curved' 'round' etc.

#### **Snack**

We ask for a contribution of £5 per half term towards our snack. This allows us to provide the children with additional snack and cooking experiences linked to our learning themes.

We kindly request that this is paid via Parent Pay. It does not need to be paid in one sum and can be spread across the term. If you require any help with Parent Pay, please call the school office on 01274 495190.

## Things to remember

PE is on Tuesday

Yoga is on Friday

As part of the uniform we request that all children have a pair of named wellies to stay in school.

Please ensure all items of uniform are named.

# Speaking to your child's teacher

It is difficult for us to have conversations with you at drop off and pick up. We will call you after school where needed e.g when first aid has been administered. Please feel free to call the school and ask a member of staff to call you after school if you have a concern or question.

## **Getting dressed**

Please spend time with your child teaching them how to get dressed and undressed independently.