

Reception 2020 - Term 3

Happy New Year!

We hope you all enjoyed the Christmas holidays with family and friends and are ready to begin Term 3! This term our topic is 'Once Upon a Time'. We will be focusing our learning on a different fairytale each week including Goldilocks & the Three Bears, Little Red Riding Hood and The Three Little Pigs. We are beginning this term by learning about the season of Winter.

Phonics



We have now completed Phase 2 of our phonics programme. Thank you for supporting your child at home with the reading and writing of these sounds. This term we will begin Phase 3, which includes learning the final 6 single sounds before moving onto the digraphs (two letters making 1 sound). We will continue to send home the action and letter formation sheets for the children to practise with you at home.

WOW Day!

Don't forget on Wednesday 15th January it is our WOW day! The children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite fairytale character. They will be completing a number of fun activities throughout the day.



Important Dates

Wednesday 15th January - Fairytale WOW Day!

Tuesday 4th February - Height & weight checks

Saturday 8th February - Children's disco

Friday 14th February - End of Term 3

Marvellous Me!



We love finding out about the children's interests and what makes them unique!

This term we will be introducing 'Marvellous Me!' sessions. Each week a child will be chosen to take home the Marvellous Me box and return it the following week.

They need to fill the box with things that are important and special to them. This could include a favourite toy or book, photos of important times and precious items. They will then get to sit on the teacher chair to share it with the class!

Winter Clothing



As we use our outside learning environment every day, in all weathers, each child needs to wear a warm coat to school. They are welcome to bring a hat, scarf and gloves also. We are encouraging the children to be independent learners e.g. putting on their own winter clothes including their coat and zipping it up by themselves. We are also teaching them that it is their responsibility to look after their own belongings. We would appreciate your support with this, please help them to practise.

Mrs North's last day at school, before going on her maternity leave, will be Friday 17th January. Miss Hannah Kuusik will be covering her and will be joining our Reception team on Monday 13th January.



Please remember to **label everything** that your child brings to school - uniform, PE kits, lunchboxes, water bottles, coats, gloves etc. Lots of the children have pretty keyrings on their bookbags, please can we limit this to just 1 keyring as they are struggling to fit their bookbags into their drawers! Thank you.

We welcome anyone that wishes to come in and help this term. As always if you have any questions or queries you wish to discuss, our doors are always open. Miss Wingett & Mrs North