

Useful Information

Things to do at home

Share stories- little and often is best. Begin with 5 minutes reading each night with a book bag book or a story from home. When your child progresses to books with simple words, please encourage them to sound out the words that they are unsure of and point to each word as they read. When your child has read at home, please remember to sign the reading diary.

Reading books and book bags It is important that the reading folder is returned every day, so that we can listen to your child read their individual book. Reading books are changed every Monday and library books will be changed every Thursday.

Home-school diaries will be sent home every Friday. Each week there will be a short write up about what we have been doing in class. It will then have a task to do based around what we have been doing in class. Home-school books are to be handed in by the following Tuesday.

Useful Websites:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk>

<https://www.teachyourmonstertoread.com/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/games/alphablocks-games>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/mathsgames/3-5-years/counting>

Snack money £2 per week. This is collected on a Monday.

Uniform Please ensure all items of clothing are labelled with your child's name.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support and hope we can continue to share in your child's learning journey to make it a happy and positive one in reception class.

Mrs Megson and the reception class team



Reception Class Information

Autumn 2019

What We Will Be Learning This Half Term



Dane Bank
Primary and Nursery School

"Enjoy and achieve together"

This half term we will be focusing on settling into school life. Our theme this term is based around food, colour and shape. Within this theme we will be doing a mini topic based on bears, food and celebrations.

Areas of Learning

English

The children will take part in daily phonics sessions. They will share and re-tell stories using puppets, toys or dressing up clothes. The children will begin the early stages of reading and writing,

The children will be given their first reading book to take home. Some books will have no words at the beginning. Please encourage your child to look carefully at what is happening on each page and talk about it in sentences e.g. "Mum is not happy with the dog as the dog is very muddy."

Maths

The children will play counting games and sing number songs together. They will begin to measure and compare objects that we see every day and use words such as: bigger, smallest, circle, straight to describe them. They will be learning to recognise order and write numbers 0 to 20. They will solve simple practical problems together and try to work out what they might do next.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This term the focus will be on establishing rules, getting to know one another and building strong and trusting relationships. The children will be encouraged to initiate conversations with others and join in turn taking.

Communication and Language

During circle time the children will learn to listen to each other. They will listen to a variety of stories and begin to anticipate key events. The children will be encouraged to use the correct tense when speaking and to extend their sentences.

Physical Development

The children will take part in P.E sessions where they will be learning basic skills. We will also be working on pencil grip and letter formation this term.

Understanding the World

We will be going on welly walks, where the children will be encouraged to observe, find out about and identify features of the environment. We will be learning about celebrations around the world.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children get weekly dance sessions from our dance teacher and PE lessons from Cristiano, the PE teacher. The sessions will be focusing on basic skills and techniques based around our topics.