

# Reception Curriculum Newsletter

## KEY TIMES:

**TREETOP TUESDAY** - Our forest school time. Children will do alternate weeks. Please let us have wellies if you have not yet done so.

**CHAT TUESDAYS** - Pop in any Tuesday after school to look at your child's work, explore our ever-changing class environment or chat to the teacher.

**FRIDAY P.E.** - In the hall each Friday afternoon. Children will need a P.E. kit (shorts, t-shirt and trainers). As well as P.E., we will be using this time to help children become independent when changing their clothes.



By the end of this term, we would like all children to be able to:

- Fasten their coat.
- Take off their jumper and t-shirt.
- Turn inside out clothes the right way around.

Anything that you can do to support these at home would be very much appreciated.



## READING

Please make sure that your child practices their reading on at least four nights a week. 5 - 10 minutes is usually enough at this age, but you will know best what works for your child. Please continue to fill in your child's diary whenever they read at home and if you are busy, just a tick or a signature is fine. If there is anything that you are unsure of, please just ask, especially as your child moves onto new levels of learning.



Our topic this term is 'People Who Help Us'. We will be learning about people who help us in the wider community such as police officers, doctors, firefighters and farmers, and there will be lots of opportunities for children to dress up and act out these roles in their pretend play. Our doctor's role play area is already a huge hit!

There will also be two visits:

29<sup>th</sup> January - Visit to the Library

2<sup>nd</sup> February - Morning visit to Wellington Fire Station

Children will also be learning about emergency and farming vehicles in the past and sorting photographs into old and new. There will be lots of opportunities to practice some geography skills too, including using an aerial photograph of the school to play a game of 'air ambulances', finding the injured teddies and taking them to hospital.



## MATHS

This term we will be looking at how numbers to 10 can be split into two parts and then put back together again. For example, children will explore how 3 can be made of  $3 + 0$ ,  $2 + 1$ ,  $1 + 2$  and  $0 + 3$  using lots of different resources.

In measure, children will be using egg timers to explore different units of time and will be learning lots of new words to describe 3D shapes such as cylinders, spheres and cubes.

## Home Learning project

As part of our topic, we will be learning about 999 calls (and of course, the importance of only doing this in an emergency). We would like the children to learn their address and will send a little note home about this closer to the time of the activity.

**HAVE A HAPPY AND EXCITING SPRING TERM  
EVERYONE!**

Mrs Branch and the Reception Team

