



“Be the best that you can be.”

Reception Curriculum Newsletter

October 2025

We have been so impressed with how well the children have settled into school and we can't believe their first half term is now complete! There has been so much to get used to and the children have readily engaged with school routine and expectations.

Our topic has been Me and My Family in the World and the children have enjoyed learning all about themselves and others. We have looked at all the different people who help us as well as what family means and where we live.

In Maths, we have been becoming number experts with subitising and quick knowledge of 'one more' and 'one less'. The children have explored patterns and had a go at making their own.

In Literacy, the children have been reading lots of well known fairy tales which has built their story language and confidence with reading. We have even begun to write in our books using simple words using our phonic knowledge!

In Phonics, we are working our way through Little Wandle. We have learnt many new phonemes/ graphemes and some tricky words too!

Mrs Milne-Smith and Miss Dyer



Dates for the Diary:

- Monday 27th October-
Friday 31st October 2025
- Half Term
- Monday 3rd November
2025: Inset day
- Tuesday 4th November
2025—Children return to
school
- Tuesday 4th November—
Forest schools begin
(Dragonfly Class)
- Tuesday 25th
November—Forest
schools begin (Ladybird
Class)
- Friday 19th December
2025: Last day of term
- Monday 22nd December
2025 - Friday 2nd
January 2026 Christmas
Holidays
- Children return on
Monday 5th January 2026



Reminders

As the weather begins to get cooler, please provide a coat for your child as we go out in all weathers. Your child should bring a named water bottle to school every

This term we will be learning.....

Our topic for the second part of the Autumn term is 'Celebrations'.

In Maths the children will be learning at numbers to 5. We will be finding, representing and understanding the composition of these numbers. The children will then learn more about shapes with 4 sides.

In Phonics, we will begin to learn more digraphs and apply our knowledge to sound and blend many words.

Forest Schools will begin for each class after half term. Please refer to the email sent regarding your child's day. They will be able to wear their forest school clothes into school on this day. Please also provide wellies and coats for them as they will go out in all weathers.