

College Town Primary School



“Be the best that you can be.”

Reception Curriculum Newsletter

December 2025

This half term we have been exploring all the different celebrations that take place at this time of the year; firework night, Hanukkah and Christmas.

In English we have been busy learning how to write lists and labels as well as decoding sentences to read aloud. We have been honing our Phonics knowledge to write words with digraphs.

In Maths, we have explored numbers 1-5. The children have worked hard to count objects and subitise amounts. They have also been busy finding one more and one less than given numbers. They enjoyed learning about different shapes and creating shape pictures.

The children have thoroughly enjoyed their time in the forest, exploring the natural world around them, climbing trees, creating fairy houses and many more exciting things.

Mrs. Milne-Smith and Miss. Dyer



Dates for the diary:

Friday 19th December
school finishes at 1.05pm

Monday 5th January
school starts

Tuesday 6th January
Dragonfly Forest School
begins

Friday 9th January
PE begins (wear kit to school)

Tuesday 20th January
Phonics workshop for parents

Tuesday 27th January
Ladybird Forest School
begins

Friday 13th February
School finishes (normal time)

Reminders

Please make reading a priority with your children. We would like to see children reading 4 times at home over a week.

All items of clothing should be named.

Please try to only put water in bottles for school.

This term we will be learning.....

Our topic for the first part of the Spring term is **Around the World**. We will be exploring the following countries: United Kingdom, Italy, Kenya, Nepal and China. We will be talking about significant landmarks, food, animals and flags. If you have anything from any of those countries you would be happy to bring in or if you would like to come in and talk about one of these countries, please speak to your child's class teacher.

In Maths we will be learning about the importance of zero and developing our understanding of 6,7 and 8. The children will also develop their understanding of capacity and mass.

Forest Schools will continue for each class. 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 for them to change into.

PE will begin Friday the first week, please ensure your child is wearing black joggers, a white t-shirt, black jumper/hoodie and all black trainers.

We would like to wish all of the children and their families a very Happy Christmas and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

