

Reception Class Autumn 1: Friends and Family

This term the children will be settling into their new class. We will be learning how to be good friends, what our school is like and finding out about each other's families. We will be going on to think about our bodies, what makes us different and exploring our senses.



Weekly Texts and Themes

Week 1, 2 & 3	<i>Starting School by Janet & Allan Ahlberg; I am too absolutely small for school – By Lauren Child ; Billy and the Big New School by Catherine and Laurence Anholt; The Baby's Catalogue by Janet & Allan Ahlberg; Abigail by Catherine Rayner</i>		
	English Name writing Mark Making Phase 1 sound and picture matching	Maths Counting 1:1 correspondence Number recognition and ordering	Other ideas EAD – Self and Family portraits PSED – School tour and familiarisation PSED – Separating from carer and making friends PSED: School and class rules
Week 4	<i>You'll Soon Grow Alex by Andrea Shabic</i>		
	English Phase 1 sound and picture matching Story sequencing	Maths Bigger and smaller Size ordering	Other ideas PSED – What is special about me? (Thought bubbles I wish I was...)
Week 5	<i>Dogger By Shirley Hughes</i>		
	English My favourite/Special toy label/sentence Phase 1 sound and picture matching	Maths Counting Ordering More than less than	Other ideas PSED – how to be kind, share and look after each other UW- sorting toys through materials
Week 6	<i>Brown Bear Brown Bear What do you See by Bill Martin and Eric Carle</i> <i>Polar Bear Polar Bear What do you Hear by Bill Martin and Eric Carle</i>		
	English Class book of Brown Bear (alternative animals) Labelling parts of the body Phase 1 – what can you hear / see in the classroom?	Maths Handprints for ordering numbers	Other ideas UW – Senses PD – Use tweezers to match coloured pompoms with animals from the Brown Bear EAD- collecting and grouping coloured images to match to the story, handprint animals
*	At the end of these six weeks the children's baselines for reading, writing and maths will be inputted into the school TAPS spreadsheet. The baseline for the other areas will be inputted into the Reception specific spreadsheet.		



Weekly Themes

Week 1	Starting School* Family* Friendship*
Week 2	Starting School* Family* Friendship*
Week 3	Starting School* Family* Friendship*
Week 4	Differences
Week 5	Toys
Week 6	Senses
*	These ideas will run for 3 weeks as the children complete their settling period.

Social Development

- Successful separation
- Making friends
- Collaborative play
- Asking for help
- Finding & using toilet
- Know the school layout and key adults
- Following simple school rules
- Class behaviour system
- Visual timetable
- Look after equipment

English

- Pencil grip
- Name writing
- Letter formation

Phonics

- Revisit Phase 1
- Introduce Phase 2

Maths

- 1:1 correspondence
- Counting
- Ordering
- Recognising
- Bigger & smaller
- More than/less than

Outdoor Provision

- Bikes and trikes
- Den building
- Using waterpump
- Using climbing equipment

Home Corner/Role play

- home
- school

Science & technology

- Senses
- My body
- Dough making

Computing

- Using IWB
- Beebots
- Talking pens
- Walkie talkies
- Log on to PC

Trips and visitors

- Parent caring for baby

R.E.

- Make class prayer table
- Learn class prayers
- God's World (TWTL)
- Introduce Godly play
- Introduce Act of Worship

P.E.

- Walking & Jumping
- Ball Skills - Hands

Art & Design

- Colour mixing
- Experimenting with lines
- Self portraits

Music

- Introduce 'beat babies for rhythm
- Call and repeat songs