

Holy Family Foundation

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We are having lots of fun learning in Reception!

We are so pleased your child has settled into Reception so well!

In the Reception, we aim to create a happy, stimulating environment where your child feels valued, safe and motivated to learn. We are encouraging the children to be more independent in the mornings. Therefore, we politely remind you that parents and carers say goodbye at the classroom door.

If you do have any worries or questions about your child which requires a detailed discussion, members of staff are available at the end of each day from 3:00pm.

Topics

This term our topics are Fairytales in Spring 1 and Life Cycles in Spring 2. We will be learning about Goldilocks and the three bears, Little Red Riding Hood and Jack and the beanstalk. We will have lots of fun acting out our fairytales in our role play area! We will also have a teddy bear's picnic!

We will have lots of fun planting our own seeds and watching our plants grow. We will also be taking care of our school garden and learning lots about minibeasts!

Names in clothes

Please ensure that your child's name is clearly written in all items of clothing. We are encouraging children to take care of their belongings and keep their jumpers in their trays when they take them off.

Home / School folders

Children will have weekly sound check sheets until they are ready for a reading book. It is important that these sounds are practiced at home to help your child progress. Children will move onto the next sheet when they can identify all words on the sheet in any order.

We will be learning Makaton signing for our key words. A sheet will be sent home with signs to practise at home.

Shared books

Reception children will be bringing a book home to share each week. This is to be shared with a

grown up at home. Children may be able to identify some words, but are not expected to read the books independently. Please read the book together and talk about the book. Shared books will be changed on a THURSDAY.

Reading books

When children are ready, they will have their own reading book. Please sign the reading record with a short comment when your child has read with you. If your child has read their book, please encourage them to talk about the story and ask questions to develop their understanding.

Homework

Homework will be given on Fridays and linked to our learning that week, please return homework the following week.

Toys

We have lots of varied toys in school, however, if your child wishes to bring a toy into school please be aware that we cannot take responsibility for these items.

Water Bottles

Please provide a water bottle your child to keep in class.

Thank you for your continuing support,

Miss Baggaley and Miss McLaughlin