



# RP's Class Newsletter - Spring Term 2024

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Welcome back to RP. We hope you had a relaxing winter break. It is wonderful to have all of the children back and we are looking forward to a really exciting Spring term!

Your class teacher is : **Mrs Perry, Mrs Prytula (student teacher), Ms Ali (student teacher)**

Your Early years Educator is : **Ms Marcia,**

**Important Dates: More information about these events will be shared with you nearer to the time**

**Safer Internet Day:** 6th February

**Children's mental health week:** 5-9th February

**Parent/Carer Evenings** - 5th and 7th March

**World Book Day** - 7th March

**STEAM Exhibition** - 26th March

## **Homework:**

Each Friday, your child's class teacher will allocate a book to your child's Collins Connect digital library. This book will be familiar to your child as they will have been introduced to it in class. We would encourage you to listen to your child read the same book every day until they are familiar with the letter sounds and vocabulary. Please make a comment in their home school reading books each week.

Children will also be given the opportunity to select a book of their choice from the school library. This is a book that you can share with them at home.

Library day is **Friday**.

P.E is on **Fridays**, please ensure your child has joggers and plimsolls/trainers to change into.

Please remember to label all your child's belongings, any lost property is kept on the blue trolley inside the Reception classrooms. All children have accidents at times, please provide a spare pair of underwear in your child's bag, we do have spares at school in an emergency but it is preferable for them to change into their own clothes.

We are no longer able to accept party food for birthday celebrations due to allergy and dietary issues.

## **Our Vision and Values:**

- Respect One Another
- Every Individual Matters
- Take Responsibility
- Strive for Excellence
- Try Your Best

## **Our School rules:**

- Show Kindness
- Listen Actively
- Walk Responsibly
- Respect Our Environment



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## Literacy Spring 1 "Telling a Tale"

We will be reading 'Little Red' by David Roberts and 'The Magic Paintbrush' by Julia Donaldson

Spring 2 'Sowing a Seed' by Eric Carle and 'I will not ever never eat a tomato' by Lauren Child

The children will be learning Phase 3 phonics, sounding out and starting to read by blending sounds they know.

They will be writing their name, labelling pictures and beginning to write simple sentences.

## Maths:

We will continue to count reliably up to 20 and back down to zero. We will be exploring addition as counting on and subtraction as taking away.

We will be counting and sharing in equal groups.

We will be using measures, comparing heavy and light and exploring patterns.

We will continue practising writing numerals 0 – 9 with correct formation

## Understanding The World:

Spring 1 will focus on investigating shadows and light. We will also be celebrating Chinese New Year by learning about Chinese traditions and creating a Shadow Puppet Theatre

Spring 2 will be all about growing seeds, looking after them and finding out about

## Spring Term Curriculum

**PE: Games** - we will be developing our gross motor skills and cooperational skills through catching and tagging games. We will be playing parachute

## Expressive Arts and Design

We will be creating forest scenes and making a sliding mechanism of our book character Little Red and the Wolf. We will be learning how to select the materials we want to independently explore in our creative area. We are going to create a whole class collage of a dragon for Chinese New Year. We will be looking at artist's impressions of fruit and vegetables and modelling with clay,