

Expectations for Reception

Here are some developmental and responsibility milestones expected of your child's age range, and equally for boys and girls:

Developmental expectations:

- Know full name
- Help to create a shopping list.
- Get dressed independently and choose own clothes to wear.
- Eat independently
- Brush teeth, comb her hair, and wash face without assistance
- Walk, run, hop, jump, skip, roll, crawl.

Speaking expectations:

- To speak clearly and audibly
- To be able to talk while doing imaginative play.
- To be able to retell familiar stories.
- To speak, sing and produce sounds in a way that can be heard clearly.

Responsibilities at home:

- Make own bed
- Clear the table
- Pull weeds
- Use a hand held vacuum to pick up crumbs
- Fold the laundry
- Wash plastic dishes at the sink
- Make a bowl of cereal
- Pour own drinks
- Mix, stir, and cut with a blunt knife

Excellent Books to Share with your child

We're Going On A Bear Hunt
The Very Hungry Caterpillar
Peace at last
Handa's Surprise
The Gruffalo
Rosie's Walk
The Tiger Who Came To Tea
No Matter What
The Owl Who Was afraid of The Dark
Not Now Bernard
Owl Babies
Winnie The Witch
Angry Arthur
Doing The Animal Bop
All Join in

WE CARE

Behaviour guide

This year, we will be continuing with our WE CARE ethos, practising the school poem and making sure we live these values everyday.

This ethos focuses on the importance of independence and resilience alongside kindness and collaboration.

We will be working in our new House groupings to earn points for our exemplary behaviour.

The House with the most points will be rewarded with extra breaktime.

Reception Tricky Words

I	do
by	the
here	like
are	there
me	all
give	we
go	have
your	so
was	come
to	some
said	of
he	live
they	you
be	one
no	my



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Reception Parent Information

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How is Reception different?

Moving into Reception is a big step, and we support children to become more independent, build friendships with their peers and take responsibility for their belongings. They will be learning their sounds in Phonics, developing early Maths skills and learning to use their sounds to spell words. They will need to complete their homework every week.

Here are a few guidelines to support your child's learning at our school.

Homework Expectation

- Homework is uploaded on the school website every Friday.
- Reception children should spend a concentrated amount of time on homework each night including spending 10 minutes reading (preferably aloud to an adult).
- Friday's writing and drawing homework should be returned the following Monday.
- Quality of homework should be of an excellent standard:
 - *Illustrations should be drawn carefully using a sharp pencil and coloured in neatly using sharp colouring pencils (not felt tip pens).*

Communication and Language Expectations

In Reception, children will learn to:

- Be able to listen carefully to stories and simple instructions.
- Learn new vocabulary linked to real world experiences.
- Ask questions.
- Share their ideas in sentences.
- Be able to retell familiar stories.
- Learn rhymes and songs.

Literacy Expectations

In Reception, children will learn to:

- Hold a pencil using the correct grip
- Write own name with a capital letter at the beginning and then lower case letter
- Write simple sentence with punctuation
- Answer simple questions about a book



Maths Expectations:

In Reception, children will learn to:

- Be able to count objects, actions and sounds.
- Begin to recognise amounts between 1-10.
- Begin to count verbally to 10 and beyond.
- Copy and create repeated patterns.

Physical Development Expectations

In Reception, children will learn to:

- Be able to walk, run, hop, skip, jump, roll and crawl.
- Develop small motor skills using paintbrush, pen, pencil, scissors, forks and spoons.
- Be able to sit at a table with good posture.
- Develop ball skills such as throwing, catching, kicking, passing and aiming.

Please make sure your child brings their PE kit every Monday and leaves it in school for the week.

