

RECEPTION NEWSLETTER



Summer 2



This half term is one of our favourite ones as our topic focus is 'Superheroes'. For the first 4 weeks the children have had the opportunity to explore and learn all about the different roles/occupations within society, specifically looking at a nurse and what makes a great superhero. The next 3 weeks are focused around the historical figure Florence Nightingale. We also have a very exciting workshop taking place in this half term around Florence Nightingale and her influences as a superhero in the community in the past which we are very excited about. I am sure the children have been looking forward to sharing their new learning with you.

Writing



The children are making fantastic progress with their writing skills this half term, using their magic 5 within their writing and becoming increasingly independent writers. In Literacy, we have been focusing on writing short sentences using adjectives and writing sentences that can be read by ourselves and others. As always, we appreciate any support you can offer your child with their writing at home.

Phonics



Our RWI phonics sessions continue to remain high priority in Reception, and they are really helping the children to learn to blend and segment, whilst also learning to recognise and read their 'special friends' within words, as well as building their fluency for reading. We will continue to send QR codes home weekly in their learning log, so that the children can continue this learning at home.

Maths



This half term, we have been consolidating all our learning so far in Reception by becoming confident to automatically recall number bonds to 5 & 10, doubling and halving facts, as well as odd and even numbers. To support your children with this at home ask them to give you any of the above facts to support their automatic recall.

Important Dates

- **Sports Day**- Monday 10th July 9:15-10:30am
- **Diploma Celebrations**- Friday 14th July – 9:30am KS1 playground



Diploma

This half term our Diploma is 'Leading A Healthy Lifestyle'. We were lucky enough to have a workshop with Jane from ISS come to speak to us about healthy fruits and vegetables. We also made fruity faces, but the best bit was trying them!

'Read With Me' sessions



We would like to thank all of the grown-ups who attended our 'Read With Me' sessions. These afternoon sessions are a great opportunity for you to not only share the love of reading with your child, but to also encourage language development and build their imagination. This half term these will take place every **Monday** at **2:45pm** for **both** classes.

PE

This half term our PE sessions are on **Mondays** for both **RC and RHO**. Please ensure all children bring the correct PE kit each week.

Resources

As always, we are grateful for any resources we can use in school (especially things we can use to make models!) Please see below a list of resources we are always looking for to enhance our modelling area:

- Cardboard tubes • Various sizes of cardboard boxes • Pasta • Tin foil • Yoghurt pots • Materials • Anything interesting that you have spare and you think the children will enjoy using! **Unfortunately, we cannot accept any boxes or containers that have had seeds or nuts in them.**

Learning Log/Homework

Every **Friday**, your child will bring home a learning log, reading book and reading diary. These are to be completed and returned the following **Thursday**. Your child may receive some additional phonics work throughout the week from their phonics teacher. This work will be modelled to the children so they know exactly what to do. Please make sure you check your child's book bag daily and return the phonics books on a Thursday.

Reading

At Lofthouse Gate we love to read. Each term we will have our 5 favourite class books to enjoy with the children. This half term our favourite 5 books are;



Supertato
Ravi's Roar
Slightly Annoying Elephant
Rainbow Fish
Six Dinner Sid



'Supertato' is our Talk for Writing book next this half. The children are very confident with retell the story using their Makaton signs, which I am sure they would love to share with you at home.

As always, if you have any questions or queries please don't hesitate to come and talk to any one of us. No problem is too small and we welcome your ideas and suggestions.

Many Thanks,

Miss Cowling, Mrs O'Connor, Mrs Spencer, Mrs Pickersgill, Miss Pickersgill

The Reception team