

Edition 4

Welcome to the Spring 2 edition of the EYFS newsletter. You will receive a EYFS newsletter at the start of every half term. This half term our topics are 'Out of This World' and 'Long Ago' in Reception and 'Transport' in Nursery. Within these topics, we will be learning lots of different things from star constellations and dinosaurs in Reception to diggers and emergency services in Nursery. .

Out of this World and Long Ago

This half term we are focusing on two smaller topics in Reception. We will be reading the story 'The First Hippo on the Moon' and learning lots of facts about space for the first few weeks before moving onto the topic 'Long Ago' where we will explore dinosaurs and volcanos.

Transport

Children in Nursery will be learning all about different modes of transport this half term. They will spend a week on each mode of transport looking at sea, air, land and emergency vehicles.

Class Dojo



Thank you all for signing up to Class Dojo.

Please continue to check the site for regular updates and information from your child's class teacher.

We will also be trialling the use of Class Dojo instead of Tapestry, so you may see some duplicates.

Reading

We read with the children every day in school.

In Reception reading books are sent home every Friday so that children can show off their excellent reading skills with you. Please ensure that diaries and books are returned to school every Monday.



Our EYFS Garden

As the weather starts to improve and spring is around the corner, we are looking to brighten up our outdoor area with a selection of plants.

We would be extremely grateful for any donations of seeds or bedding plants that we could plant with the children over the next few weeks. This is a really valuable learning opportunity that the children always love.



Yoga Club

A reminder that Mrs DeMay and Miss Maher are running a yoga club for reception this half term. It will run every Tuesday from 3:15-4:15 until the Easter break.



Please keep your eyes peeled for a sports club in the summer term.

As spring approaches, please make sure that your child brings a coat to school each day. We also ask that you bring a pair of wellies for your child to use in school as our outdoor area is open in all weather conditions. If the weather is hot and sunny, please make sure your child has got a sun hat and comes to school with sun cream already applied.

Please ensure that all of your child's belongings are labelled with their name to avoid anything being lost.



Reception Homework

Homework will be given out each Monday and will be stuck into homework books. Children will have one piece of Maths and one piece of Phonics homework each week which will revise the content taught in school the previous week.

Reading at home will continue to be a priority as part of the homework package. Please read with your child every weekend and bring the reading book back into school on a Monday morning.

Additional Homework Ideas:

- Log in to Oxford Owl at home to support with Phonics
Log in: moorgatereception
Password: Moorgate
 - Practise writing a number line to 5. Be creative and use chalks outside or paints in the bath!
- Practise writing your name and your known phonics sounds.

Please also see our website for a range of ideas for learning at home.

Nursery Homework

- Draw, paint or collage a character from your favourite story.
- Count how many red cars you see parked near your house. Is it the same number the next day?
- Practise creating your first name. You could use playdough, twigs, chalk, paints or anything else that makes a mark.

USEFUL WEBSITES:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/reading-owl/phonics-made-easy/>

<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/moorgate-b79>