

## Reception Newsletter Summer 2 2023

Welcome back! As we enter the final half-term of the school year, we have lots of exciting new topics to look forward to. We will also be taking part in sports day and transition activities in preparation for moving up to the next class.

The staffing for this half term is as follows:

- Mrs Marshall (Teacher) Mon, Tues and Wed
- Miss Sims (Teacher) Thurs and Fri
- Mrs Holden (Support Staff) Mon - Fri

If you have any questions, you can always send us a message on Class Dojo. Please allow staff time to respond to any messages.

Thank you for your continuous support.  
The Reception Team

### English

This half-term we will be reading a variety of texts including We're going on a bear hunt and Where's my teddy? We will be inviting our own teddies for a teddy bear's picnic. We will continue to encourage the children to write simple sentences by themselves using finger spaces between each word and a full stop at the end.

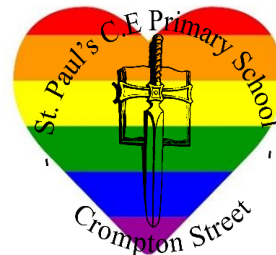
**Phonics** - We will continue using the Essential Letters and Sounds programme for our daily phonics sessions. We will be revisiting Phase 3 and 4 and spelling tricky words from memory. Tricky words are the words that cannot be sounded out e.g. the, my, I, was, she. Phonics assessments are carried out each half term to monitor each child's progress.

### Maths

In Maths, we are going to focus on number bonds of 10, length, weight and capacity. We will be counting forwards and backwards from different starting points.

### P.E.

Reception will continue to have P.E. on a Wednesday afternoon with Ed Start. All children need to have a P.E. kit in school consisting of a red P.E. t-shirt, black shorts and pumps. The children will continue to focus upon fastening their own buttons. Please help your child practise at home as it can be a little tricky!



### R.E.

This half-term we will be learning about prayer and special places.

We will be finding out how people of Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist and Sikh faith pray.

### Reading Books



Reading as regularly as possible to an adult can really help your child progress. We would like to see your child read their school reading books a minimum of FIVE times a week. Once they have read to an adult, the adult should sign their reading record. Reading books are changed every Monday as long as your child's reading record has been signed. Children who have read 7 times in a week on three separate occasions within a half term receive a small prize. Well done to the children who have already received one of these prizes!

In guided reading, the children are working on their decoding and comprehension skills. The children are now becoming confident readers. Whilst reading in a small group, the children are encouraged to answer questions about what they have read.

### Things to remember:

- Please name EVERYTHING!
- A water bottle (filled with water only please)
- Reading books everyday
- A small, healthy morning snack (if desired)
- A sun hat and sun cream

### Understanding the World

This half-term our topic is 'Our beautiful world.' We will continue to explore the world around us and also look at the wider world. We will be exploring different countries and cultures around the world. Thank you for all the lovely projects that have been sent in.