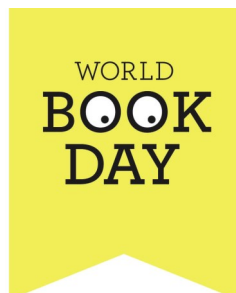


Curriculum News

Spring 2 - EYFS

World Book Day!



Don't forget to dress up as your favourite story book character on **Friday 2nd March!**

Reception parents

It is essential that your child has a change of clothes for their PE lessons **EVERY MONDAY.**



Things to remember:

- We encourage parents and carers to ensure children wear clothes to school that they can manage themselves. Items with **easy fastenings and Velcro shoes enable independence.** This is a key part of the EYFS.
- Your child should bring their **book bag** and water bottle to school every-day.
- If you are **not collecting your child please inform the office** and let your child's class teacher know who will be picking them up.

Diary Dates

Monday 19th– 23rd Feb
Oral health week in Reception

26th Feb—2nd March
Reading Week

Friday 2nd March
Bookstart workshop for Nursery parents

Friday 2nd March
Dress up as your favourite story book character

Friday 16th March
Nursery visits to St Johns Wood library (further information to follow)

Phonics

Children in **Nursery** will continue to differentiate between different sounds with activities that enable them to practise the following:

- Showing an awareness of rhyme and alliteration
- Distinguishing between sounds in the environment and phonemes (sounds letters make)
- Discriminating speech sounds in words

Children in **Reception** will continue to learn the letter sounds in accordance with Phase 3 of Letters and Sounds. They will use the sounds they have learnt to read simple words and sentences.

They will also learn 'tricky words' that cannot be sounded out phonetically. Tricky words for phase 3 are: he, she, we, me, be, was, you, they, all, are, my, her

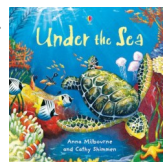
The following website is a great phonics resource for Nursery and Reception parents and carers:

Nursery Topic

Our topic in Nursery this term is **Under the Sea!** We will be learning about different sea creatures that live under the sea such as fish, sharks, whales, seahorses, crabs and turtles.

We will use key text such as *The Rainbow Fish* and *The Snail and the Whale* to explore rhyme, alliteration and how stories are structured.

In maths children will continue to build on their knowledge of numbers focusing on identifying and ordering numbers from 0-10.



Trips and Visitors

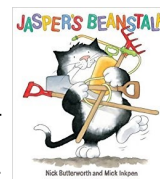
This half term Nursery will be visiting St Johns Wood library on **Friday 16th March** to listen to stories about animals Under the Sea.

Reception Topic

This term in Reception we will be learning about **Growing and Changing.** We will be reading key texts: *Jasper's Beanstalk*, *Titch and Monkey Puzzle*. We will be finding out about life cycles and about planting seeds.

In Maths we are beginning to look at money, patterns and spending some time on doubling and halving.

We will also be spending a week learning about Oral Health.



Trips and Visitors

This half term Reception will be visiting St Johns Wood library to listen to information books about Life Cycles and will explore our school pond for new life.

Reception will also be visited by the dentist to teach the children about Oral Health.

Parents and carers—come and read!

We would like to remind parents and carers that you are welcome to come in and read to your child's class! Just speak to a member of the Nursery or