



Summer 1 2022

Our final term is always a very busy one with lots of different things happening. As we all begin to adapt to life with Covid the children will be joining together for playtimes, assemblies and other whole school events this half term. We are also encouraging our Reception children to work more independently in preparation for Year 1.

Each term we will send home a brief overview of our learning and any information we would like to share with you.

Things I need in school

Your child will need:

- named water bottle filled with water only. As the weather improves, please ensure they bring these each day.
- suitable coat that is easy to put on and fasten.
- a piece of fruit if your child needs a morning snack and they are not having toast.
- a small book bag (we have limited storage space).
- please apply sun cream before sending your child into school and ensure they bring a cap or sunhat on sunny days.

Family Learning

Reception children have been working hard completing their learning activities at home. Please try and support your child with these and return the red folder on a Monday.

Some activities may be assigned on Seesaw so please complete these if you can. If you would like to share any 'wow' moments or achievements, please do so using Seesaw. We are always keen to see any special moments which occur away from the classroom.

Reading Books

We will be changing reading books each Monday. Please ensure that you record books read in the diary and send in every week for us to change. Our recent fundraising and PTFA support has enabled us to purchase new books - please ensure books are looked after and returned to school.

Reception children will bring home a decodable book which they will be able to decode and

read as it will contain sounds your child recognises confidently. Please read this each night to develop their confidence and fluency. By the end of the week, they will hopefully be able to read it to you independently. They will also bring a home a book to snuggle up and read together.

Nursery children will bring home a story book to share with a grown up. Have fun sharing it together and discussing the pictures.

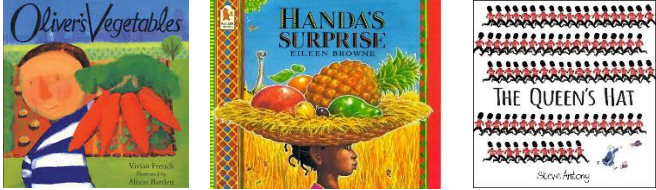
Please continue to go over sounds and words with Reception. Any new words will be sent home.

We are here!!

Please remember we are here should you need anything. Please contact us if you have questions, queries or just need to update us with things that may happen away from school. You can a message through Seesaw or email through the office office@hutchinson.staffs.sch.uk We will get back to you as soon as we can either with a message or phone call if required.

Mrs Owen & Miss Johnson

Our Learning in Owls – Summer 1

Topic	Focus texts	Rationale
Food, Glorious Food!	<p>Oliver's Vegetables, Handa's Surprise and The Queen's Hat</p> 	As we think about food for a Royal celebration we will be looking at where our food comes from and how it is grown. We will plant some of our own vegetables which will hopefully grow.
Communication and Language	We will be developing our listening skills and beginning to follow instructions. We will talk about why things happen and offering explanations. We will listen and join in with regular storytime, retelling our favourite stories.	
Personal, Social and Emotional	We will continue to take turns and develop our friendships. We will develop the skill of perseverance and try to work out the best ways to do things. We will be encouraging the children to have a go at some tasks on their own. The children will be reminded of the importance of handwashing and personal hygiene.	
RHE	<p>Theme – Caring</p> <p>Our Relax Kids sessions this half term use an animal theme to develop and improve our relaxation and mindfulness.</p>	
Physical	This term we will be continuing to develop our fine motor skills using a range of one-handed tools including pencils, scissors and hammers. We will also be developing our gross motor movements in our tennis sessions.	
Literacy	<p>N- will be making their own marks and having a go at forming some letters and writing their own names. We will be using different vocabulary to describe fruit and vegetables. We will make our own invitations and cards for the Queen. We will be sharing lots of stories and rhymes.</p> <p>R – will be using their phonic knowledge to write simple words and short captions. We will be using our writing skills to describe people and fruits, write instructions and invitations.</p>	
Mathematics	<p>N-. We will focus on number 5, finding one and one less. We will be looking at shapes in the environment and learn about their properties using vocabulary such as round, curved and straight.</p> <p>R – We follow the White Rose Maths Scheme. This term we are focusing on simple addition and subtraction. We will look how numbers to 20 are made up and continue making 10 in different ways.</p>	
Understanding the World	As part of our topic on Food, we will be finding out where our food comes and locating places on a map. Nursery will be thinking about some of the jobs people do. We will also be growing some of our own vegetables and learning about how we look after them. We will be looking at how materials change when making our own fruit smoothies. Our Term will end with the Jubilee celebrations. We will learn more about the Queen and have our own celebration!	

Expressive Arts and Design	As artists, we will have a go at drawing and painting different fruits and vegetables. We will weave our own fruit baskets and make Jubilee decorations.
RE	N – Special Places R – What Makes a Place Special? School Values – Kindness and Forgiveness

Things your child can do at home:

Nursery	Reception
<p>Fastening your coat.</p> <p>Having a go at writing your own name holding a pencil correctly.</p> <p>Looking for shapes in the environment.</p> <p>Counting out amounts up to 5.</p> <p>Playing games and taking turns.</p>	<p>Learning your sounds and key words sent home.</p> <p>Writing short sentences.</p> <p>Reading books sent home each week.</p> <p>Counting aloud beyond 20 and looking at the patterns.</p> <p>Quick recall of bonds to 5 and some to 10.</p> <p>Helping tidy up and putting things away.</p> <p>Look how the environment is changing as we move into summer.</p>



Useful websites

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/> - for fun phonics games

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting> - for fun maths activities

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b08bzfnh/numberblocks> - to consolidate our work in

Early number

White Rose APP – 1 minute maths – some super activities for subitising.