

Things to Remember...

- Our PE sessions are on **Mondays and Tuesdays**. Please come to school wearing your PE kit for the whole day.
- Please bring your reading book to school every day.
- Show and Tell – check the class timetable to find out what day you can bring something special in to show the class.
- Please bring a water bottle in everyday, so that your child has a drink in the classroom.
- When it is cold, please ensure you send your child to school with a coat, hat and scarf to keep warm!

Please come and speak to myself and Mrs Timmins if you have any questions or queries, however big or small, we will do our best to help.

Reception Forest School

In Term 3, on Friday afternoons Reception children will be attending Forest School with our forest school teachers Katie and Toby.

Please come to school dressed in old clothes and bring your extra layers to keep you warm and your waterproofs to keep you dry. There is no such thing as bad weather!

Dates for your diary:

January 2023

- **Wednesday 4th**- First day of Term 3 of the academic year
- **Friday 6th**- Big Schools Birdwatch begins
- **Friday 6th**- Forest School begins for Year 3 and Reception
- **Monday 9th**- SportsCool recommences
- **Monday 9th**- Year 4 swimming at Cumnor House begins
- **Tuesday 10th**- Year 6 Chailey Maths recommences
- **Tuesday 10th**- Chartwells Healthy eating workshops
- **Wednesday 11th**- Open Morning for Reception 2023
- **Sunday 15th**- DEADLINE for applying for a Primary School Place
- **Sunday 22nd**- Chinese New Year

Weekly Bulletin

Please ensure you read the weekly bulletin which is sent to you on Fridays. This will have key information about upcoming events for your child's class.

Tapestry – Reception

We will continue to share your child's learning experiences on their Tapestry account. We love to read comments from yourself as well as the things your child says when talking about what they see.

Please try and upload photographs of things you get up to at home. We love sharing your posts and home learning with the children at school.

Welcome to Robins Class

Curriculum Information

Terms 1 & 2



Teacher: Miss Jones
Teaching Assistants: Mrs Timmins

Mathematical Development

Our main focus for Terms 3 and 4 will be number and counting.

Reception – We will continue to work on their accurate counting and knowledge of number. We will be finding pairs of numbers, looking at odd and even numbers and identifying one more and one less than a given number.

Please help your child at home by spotting numbers and counting things everywhere you go!

Year 1 – This term we will be focussing on Multiplication and Division. Children will be learning how to group equally, understand what an array is and how to use them practically to help them solve multiplication and division problems. We will then learn about fractions and solve practical fraction problems involving shapes and quantities. In Term 4 we will be revisiting addition and subtraction, applying our understanding to bigger numbers. We will also be learning to solve simple problems involving money.

Art This term, our focus will be exploring tools and techniques to manipulate dough and clay. The children will design their own tile using play dough and then create a final piece using clay.

Physical Development

In PE this term, we will be focussing on gymnastics. We will be learning to travel and balance using different body parts. We will be using different movements and combining these to create sequences.

Reception Phonics -We will continue to learn the individual letter sounds, following the Rocket Phonics scheme. We will be practising our segmenting and blending skills for reading and writing. Please try to read with your child as often as you can.

We are learning to recognise 'tricky words' such as: the, he, she, to, go, no. These words can not be blended using phonics and therefore children must learn to sight read them.

Year R Robins

Curriculum Information

**Spring
2023**

Year 1 Phonics –Phonic sessions will continue to happen daily with all year 1 children being taught together. The children will be consolidating their digraph knowledge, and are now moving onto alternative spellings for sounds. Such as ai, ay, a_e, a. On Fridays we will continue to focus on reading and spelling tricky words.

Language and Literacy

We will begin the term by exploring The Marvellous Moon Map. We will be using the text and illustrations to practise our inferencing and predicting skills. We will continue to use Grandma Fantastic, to introduce us to lots of exciting vocabulary and broaden the children's understanding of language. Reception children will begin to verbally construct responses to the text and begin to apply their phonics knowledge to record words and sentences. We will continue developing our small hand muscles using fine motor tasks to ensure we are ready to write.

Year one children will continue to focus on writing sentences with increasing independence. They will begin to include a range of vocabulary and punctuation to further extend their writing.

RE and PSED

During term 3 we will be thinking about the wonderful world around us and will learn about the Christian story of creation and talk about why God is important to Christians. In PSED we will be exploring our Dreams and Goals. We will talk about the importance of resilience and determination. We work on our team skills and helping one another to achieve a shared goal.

Our Project is... Danger

In Term 3 our focus question will be 'What can we learn from a map?' We will be exploring maps of the world, the UK and the local area. We will be learning how to use a map and what their key features are including: symbols, compass, and a key. We will be creating our own maps of cities and our local village and look at the landmarks in those areas. Linking to DT, we will be making dishes including a Banoffee Pie and scones and finding out their country of origin. We will also be exploring our making skills by creating a London Landmark using a range of materials. We will talk about the Dangers around us and hope to be visited by the local fire brigade!

In Term 4 we will focus on the Poles and discuss "What are the dangers of global warming?" We will continue to analyse and compare sources including pictures and videos and be asking and answering questions about them.