



Curriculum Newsletter: Reception (Summer Term 2)



Personal Social and Emotional Development

In PSED this half term we will be focusing on how to keep safe in the sun and in and around water. We will be thinking about how to look after our teeth. We will be looking at how to stay healthy and looking at a variety of different healthy foods.

How can I help at home?

Discuss the reasons we put on sunscreen, drink lots of water etc.
Talk about healthy foods

Communication and Language

This half term there will be the opportunity for children to role play different holiday destinations (beaches, camping etc). We will start talking about our very own journey into Year One and completing some transition activities so that we feel prepared to move into the next year group. We will be continuing to read a variety of different stories.

How can I help at home?

Talk about the different places you have been on holiday
Read a wide variety of different stories including traditional tales/ non-fiction books.

Physical Development

This half term we will be looking at how to keep our bodies healthy and the impact that exercise has on the body and what a healthy diet looks like. We will be exploring moving in a variety of ways around/ over/ under the apparatus etc. We will also be getting ready for Sports Day and talking about competition and how taking part is important and the values that good Sports men and women hold. We will be practising our letter formation and making sure we are holding our pencil correctly.

How can I help at home?

Talk with children about how it is important to do their best in sports
Teach girls how to do their bows on their summer dresses and boys to do the clasp and buttons on shorts.
Practise letter formation at home

Don't Forget

Please ensure that children have a full set of clearly labelled spare clothes on their peg and a pair of wellies. Although the weather is getting better we use them in the water area.
Don't forget to check the Class Blogs. These can be found on the school website under the class pages



Holidays and Journeys

In Reception we are very lucky to be able to follow children's interests and teach and learn through a play based curriculum.

We start each term based around a topic and then see what journey the children will take us on.



This half term our initial topic is **Holidays and Journeys**

We will be providing opportunities for children to explore through a variety of play opportunities.

Expressive Arts and Design

This half term we will be focusing on painting landscapes and designing out very own t-shirts. We will be imagining that we have been on a magical carpet and that it has taken us to different places. We will be looking at music from a range of different cultures and making our own music.

How can I help at home?

Complete some landscapes drawings at home.
Listen to a range of music and talk about why you like it
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Religious Education

The topic for this half term is Special People, we will be looking at what makes a good friend and the disciples and how they were a good friend to Jesus.

How can I help at home?

Talk about what makes a good friend and how it is important to be a good friend.

Learning Selfie

Learning Selfies are a great way to get children to talk about what they have been learning about at home. So whether you have been out to a museum or cooking at home- why not send us a learning selfie? Send it to learningselfie@kewwoods.com with a sentence about what it is your child has been learning about. home.

Literacy

This half term we will be exploring a range of books with a journey theme. We will also be looking at a range of non-fiction texts and look at writing diary entries and postcards. We will be focusing on how to write our own narratives by changing stories we already know.

How can I help at home?

Write diary entries when you go on your own holidays
Send Postcards to school for the attention of the Reception Class

Maths

This half term we will be focusing on doubling and halving and 'lot of' (multiplication) of 2s, 5s and 10s. We will be looking at the names and properties of 2D and 3D shapes and making comparisons between them.

How can I help at home?

Talk about multiplication and division in practical situations e.g. How many eyes do three people have.
Practise finding different shapes in the environment e.g. cylinders- toilet rolls, cubes- dice, box etc.

Understanding the World

This half term we will be looking at different local geographical features. We will be making comparisons between our local environment and holiday destinations. In ICT we will be exploring a range of technologies including iPads, BeeBots and computers. We will be talking about what software we should use for a purpose e.g. using a music programme to make a song etc.

How can I help at home?

Make comparisons between Southport and Holiday destinations you have been to e.g. they have a beach like Southport etc.
Use a range of ICT equipment at home e.g. CD players, computers, iPads etc.

Little Star Vouchers

Don't forget you can send in Little Star Vouchers. Little Star Vouchers are used to celebrate something that your child has done at home so we can show we are proud of them too. If you need any more please just ask a member of Reception Team

