

# Welcome to Reception!

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to welcome you to Reception Class and introduce you to your child's first term of learning.

Our Topic for this term is:

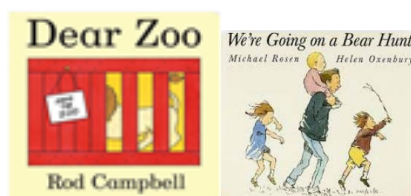
'Why am I special?' and we have included a Knowledge Organiser which provides a brief overview and vocabulary we will be using during our sessions. Our learning will run hand in hand with settling the children into their new friendships and routines. We will also learn about our School Logo and Motto

"Where we all flourish."

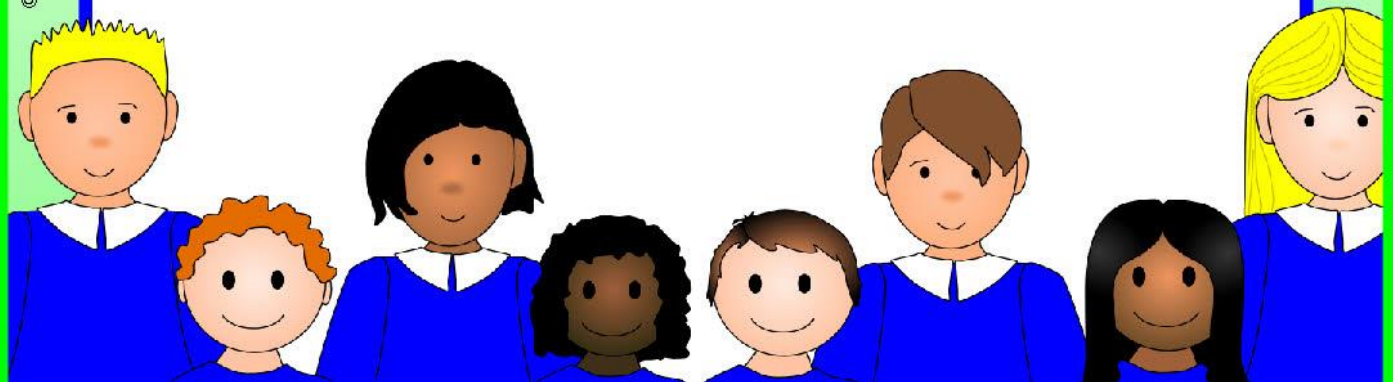


During the first 6 weeks of the school, we will administer the Reception Baseline. (See letter giving more details.)

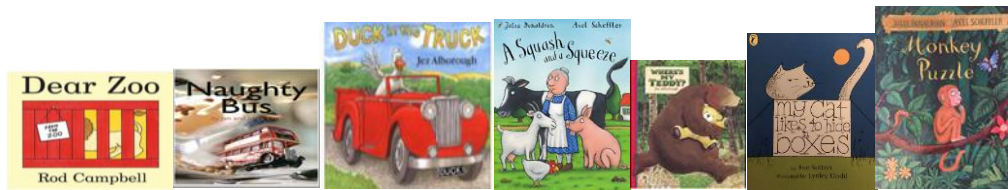
We will also be promoting Speaking and Listening skills, new vocabulary and introducing Phonic Sounds for Reading. Our learning is based around quality texts in all areas. In Literacy, we will be using the following books for story comprehension and discussion.



We use the White Rose Maths Scheme and this term we will be Comparing, matching and sorting objects.  
Talking about measures and patterns.



The texts we will be using are:



In Physical Development, we will be focusing on both fine and gross motor skills. We will be encouraging pencil grip and control by threading beads, cutting skills, painting. We will promote different ways of moving, balance and co-operation within our PE sessions. Our PE session will take place on **Mondays**. Please wear PE kit on Mondays: coloured t-shirt, shorts. If it is cold, please wear joggers. We will be giving everyone a coloured PE top in book bags shortly.

Tuesday - Friday we will regularly have a bike, scooters and large wheeled toy session. Please bring a helmet from home if you would like your child to wear one.

Reading books will be changed every Friday and will be picture books initially. Once we have started learning some of our Phonic Sounds, the children will bring home a mixture of books which practise these sounds and blending, plus a couple of 'Reading for Pleasure' books.

Each child will take home a Reading Bear to read to and keep. We would like the children to read every night for 10-15 minutes. Thank you.



Please note that it is my preparation time every Wednesday afternoon and the class will be taught by Mrs Young.

The term ahead will be very exciting and we are looking forward to getting to know you all and developing our home/school learning partnership.

Thank you.

Fiona Griffiths (Class Teacher) and Cara Dawid (Teaching Assistant.)

