

# Reception Autumn News!



## What am I learning this half term?

Welcome back to school! We can't wait to meet you all and start together our new learning chapter! We have a brilliant topic to kick start this half term with excellent learning opportunities to inspire and motivate. It is all linked around our world, our families, and the natural environment!

This year we will continue our synthetics systematics phonics programme called Rocket Phonics and we can't wait to begin our reading and writing journey!

We will begin our term by embedding our daily class routines as it's an important factor for our children's emotional wellbeing. Within maths, our focus is on understanding number vocabulary and recognise numerals!

We will also investigate and find all about weather changes!

## Breakfast club

In Victoria Primary Academy Breakfast Club is open to all pupils from Reception to Year 6 attending our school. It is from 7.30am each morning from Monday to Friday and children enjoy a light breakfast followed by games and different fun activities before school.

## After school club

Our reception children will have the opportunity to access our after-school programme activities every week.

Make sure your register through our Arbor school app!

## PE Dates

Reception PE is every Monday and Friday. Reception children should bring their PE kit to school on that day. In your PE kit you should have a white t-shirt, tracksuit bottoms or black shorts and

## This is me!



## Topic

Our topic this half term is "This is me".

The children will be learning about where they live, their families, class routines, what minibeasts are and observe changes in nature.

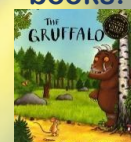
We will use this as a tool to include storytelling, introducing new vocabulary and role play to support our experiences.

In Science, we will be learning about how sounds are being produced.

We will also be learning about the use of black and white pens to recreate some portraits linked to our theme. Our Artist of the half term is Andy Goldsworthy who is a portrait, Artist.



Our Book of the half term is The Gruffalo and its one of our Star 6 books!



## Early Bird Writing Task

Arrive in school as soon as you so can so we can do our early morning writing activity together.

## Reading Books

We will be encouraging the children to read every day.

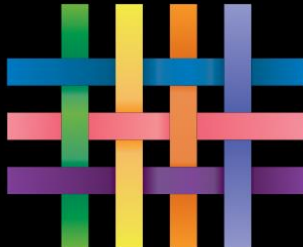
Please listen to your children read at home or access Bug Club.

A reading record will be sent home with your child to record any reading done at home.



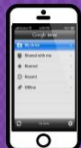


## Homework

Within Reception, children are given homework on a weekly basis. This will include weekly spellings, words to learn and maths work. Parents are asked to read with their children each night, if possible.

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**ACCESS ANYWHERE**



**ANDROID    IPHONE    TABLET    DESKTOP**

**TAPESTRY**  
ONLINE LEARNING  
JOURNAL

## **To view your child's learning journal**

1. Login
2. Go to the 'children' tab (you will see your child's name only).
3. Click on your child's photo
4. Select 'view *Joe's* journal.'
5. Select the observation you wish to view.
6. Add a comment if you wish e.g. *well done, or Joe also took turns in a board game at home this weekend.*

## **To add your own observation at home....**

### **To add notes....**

- Click on 'obs' tab at top of screen.
- Click on 'add observation.'
- Type in information; title, date notes.

### **To add a photo.....**

- Click on 'add media' to upload a photo.
- Click on 'add file'
- Click on 'start upload'

**Finally...Click save!**

Your child's key person will then be notified of your observation and use it to support your child's learning and progress.