

## Welcome to Reception

Each half term we send home a 'Curriculum Newsletter' to give you an outline of our topics and the learning in Reception.

As we follow the children's interests our topics may develop and change in different ways.

## Water Bottles



All children in Reception have a named water bottle which are filled daily. They can access their water bottles throughout the day.

## Snacks

Children have milk in the morning when they arrive at school. They have a piece of fruit or vegetable as snack in the morning.

## Supporting your Child's Learning

Next week we will be sending home a 'Home Learning' book. Each week we will put suggestions for activities and ways to support your child's learning at home.

These books are also for you and your child to record things they do at home. This might be weekend news, birthdays, special occasions, new experiences or trips out. You can record these using photographs, drawings, leaflets or objects collected.

We look forward to sharing your child's learning. Please bring your Home Learning books in **every Friday**.

If you need help printing photographs please email them to:  
[homelearning@catshillfirst.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:homelearning@catshillfirst.worcs.sch.uk)

## Toys from Home

Toys brought to school can become lost or broken. Therefore we ask that all toys are kept safe at home.

## Reading Books

Children will begin to bring reading books home this week with a letter explaining reading in Reception. If you have any questions please speak to a member of the Early Years team.



## Illnesses

Please inform the school office (and class teacher if possible) A.S.A.P. if your child has chicken pox, sickness or diarrhoea.

Children can come back to school **48 hours after the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea.**



## Reminders



**P.E.** is on **Fridays** and 'Busy Feet' is on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**.

Children need a t-shirt and shorts for this. Please ensure all clothes and P.E. bag are named. P.E. kits will be sent home each half term for washing.

## Expressive Arts and Design

We will be role playing families, especially with the babies. We will be washing the babies and their clothes.

## Understanding the World

We will explore our bodies and learn about how they work – our hearts, bones, senses.

We will also be learning about technology and how to use our Early Years 'LearnPad' tablets.



## Books we will be reading:

Monkey Puzzle, Cave Baby, Guess How Much I Love You, My Two Grandmas, Goldilocks and the Three Bears.

## Our Topic: Guess How Much I Love You?



## Physical Development



We will learning about our bodies and how to be healthy. We will learn how to move and travel safely and to negotiate space. We will learn how to change for P.E.

## Mathematics



We will be looking at counting – making sure we point to or move each object as we count it. We will also practise reciting numbers to 20.

## Communication and Language

We will be talking about our families – who is in them, where we live, what we like to do with our families. We will be developing our attention and listening skills during story time.

## Literacy



We will practise copying the letters in our names. We will take part in WriteDance where we make large and small movements to develop our pencil control.