

Thames View Infants



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Reception Learning Week!

Every week on a Friday we send out a letter telling you what's ahead for your child. Please continue to check the PARENTMAIL APP to stay up to date news and information.

Next week is half term – School reopens on Monday 31st October 2022

On Monday 31st October there will be a themed Hallowe'en lunch. Friday 4th November children will choose from a special Bonfire menu at lunch time, as part of our learning about the Bonfire Night celebrations taking place.

The week beginning the 7th November all children will start P.E. Please ensure your child has navy shorts and white t-shirt in a PE bag. All Reception PE takes place inside so no plimsolls or jogging bottoms are required.



Reading Meeting

After half term I will hold a meeting for Reception parents and carers to learn more about how we teach reading at school, and how you can help your child at home.

Thursday 3rd November 2022, 3:30pm (school) and 5pm (zoom)

As always, please come and see us if you'd like more information on the learning your child is working on. We can help you with tips on things to do at home and useful internet resources. We'd also love to hear about the fun you have at home learning new things together.

Remember communication is so important. If you're worried, unsure about anything or would just like to know how your child is learning, feel free to pop in and see us! It's good to talk.

Please remember:



- PE begins the week beginning 7th November.
- We start teaching phonics everyday from Monday 7th November.
- Pumpkin Lantern Competition 31st October
- Check ParentMail for the Autumn Newsletter – there's lots more going on after half-term.



We're a PAPERLESS School – so you must download & register your ParentMail App to receive e-newsletters, to book after-school clubs & Parents' meetings or to confirm consent for educational visits.

Twitter highlights from this week's learning

Here are some pictures from this past week in Reception



If you want to see more of what is happening in Reception, sign up to Twitter and follow: @AdamDobsonTVI, @TVInfants, @Demi_TV, @Fiona_TV, @LizIsaiahTVI

Please have a little look at the blue box below. I will be putting something new in it each week for you to do. Sometimes it will be about what parents can do, other times it will be for children to make something with you. Please read and enjoy the different activities and let me know how it goes. Remember to tweet pictures too!



Family Learning Together

Let your child help sort out the socks when you do the washing. They can learn about matching by measuring and comparing long and short.

Don't forget to tweet a picture and tag us too! ☺
@TVInfants, @AdamDobsonTVI

We hope you'll find this information helpful.

Yours sincerely,



Adam Dobson

Head of EYFS, Reception Leader



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Remember the clocks go
back one hour on Sunday
29th October!

Reception Timetable WB: 31st October	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:45 - 9:00 12:30-12:45	School starts at 8:45am				
	Welcome and settling period. Children change, then read, their reading book				
9:00 - 9:20	We are exploring our topic about 'Mice', and the story <i>The Tiger Who Came to Tea</i>				
	I can talk about what Tigers might like to eat	I can say what sounds I might hear in the night	I can talk about how mice move	I can make shapes like a firework	I can talk about nocturnal animals
9:30 - 11:30	Free Flow Activities (inside)				
	We will develop our literacy skills by exploring the book corner. We will choose books and share stories with friends and adults.				
	Children can explore the small world and construction area engaging in imaginative and creative play.				
	Directed Activities:				
	I can count a set of objects and say which as more or fewer	We will draw pictures of our favourite "tea"	Children will make patterns using natural materials	We will make firework pictures with plasticine	Children will make 'splash' painting of fireworks
	Freeflow Activities (outside):				
	Children will experiment making their own play dough. We will learn how to follow a recipe and add the correct amounts, before mixing them together.				
	We will be playing throwing and catching games to develop our gross motor (big muscles) skills. We will also learn to share and take turns with our friends when playing games.				
	ICT/Music/Circle time				
	ICT: I can use a mouse to make a firework picture	Music: I can join in with a song using hand actions I can join in with a song using my body	ICT: I can use the mouse to make firework patterns	Music: I can use instruments to make weather sounds	Circle time: I can play a game together with my friends
11:45-13:00	Lunch:				
	We will be helping the children to choose a healthy meal. We will encourage them to try new foods and supporting them using their cutlery and tidying their tray away.				
13:00-13:30	Maths				
	This week in maths we will be comparing numbers to say which is more or less. We will be counting objects and talking about which has more or fewer.				
13:30-14:45	The same activities as the morning freeflow session.				
14:45-15:15	After freeflow children help tidy up cooperatively and learn how to look after our resources. We then read a story together before getting ready to go home.				
Home time	You can talk to your child about the activities they have been doing and perhaps get them to show you. Please read with your child and encourage them to talk about what they can see in the pictures.				