


Curriculum Newsletter


Reception Term 4 2025/2026

We are now over halfway through the school year and we are looking forward to another busy term of learning.

Our main learning focus will be on Growth for Term 4.

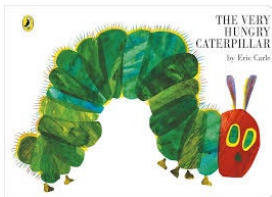
Literacy

We are readers. 


We are authors. 

In term 4 we will be completing our recap of Phase 2 and Phase 3, before moving on to Phase 4 sounds and learning some new common exception words. Please continue to practise these at home with your children.

This term, we will learn about 2 different books. Our first book is Baby Goes to Market by Atinuke. Our second book is The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle. We will be exploring plants, animals and life cycles. We are also excited to have a market stall and gardening role play area where we will continue our Literacy learning.



Mathematicians

We are mathematicians. 

In this term we will be learning about '5 and a bit numbers'. These are numbers between 5 and 10. We will be learning the pattern of how they are made, e.g.

$$5 + 1 = 6$$

$$5 + 2 = 7$$

$$5 + 3 = 8$$

We will be exploring these patterns using a range of resources and practical activities.

On Fridays in Shape and Pattern lessons we will be learning about different 2D and 3D shapes as well as making patterns.

As always, we continue our Maths learning through play during 'child-led-learning'.

Phonics

This term, we are finishing recapping our Phase 2 and 3 sounds. We will be practising how to read and write using them, with a focus on blending the sounds together to form words. We will also be practising our Common Exception words.

Please continue to listen to your child read at home. They will be regularly getting a new phonetically decodable book which they will practise reading in school before it goes home. It is vital that your child reads as much as possible both in school and at home.

Athletes

In Athletes this term, we will be continuing to learn about spatial awareness and how to control our bodies. We have been learning to move in different ways and how to work together as a team.



We will also be continuing to practice skills such as balancing, ball control, catching and throwing. We will also have athlete sessions with Bristol Robins every Thursday where we will be practising our fundamental skills.

Miss Goodfellow will be regularly taking us for forest school sessions in our school grounds. Please ensure your child has **wellies in school** to help with this.



Please listen to your child read at home 5 times per week. This is the most important thing you can do to support learning at this age. Just 10-15 minutes per day makes a big difference! You may keep the paper copies that we send home. Have fun reading together!

Key dates for Term 4

- 24th February – Term 4 starts
- 25th February – Reception Open Event
- 5th March – World Book Day
- 11th March - Reception visit to Junction 3 Library
- 12th March – Reception local walk and park trip
- 13th March – INSET Day
- 2nd April – Term 4 finishes

If you have any questions at all, please contact me through ClassDojo or speak with myself at the door.

Yours Sincerely,
Miss Goodfellow – Reception Class Teacher