



NURSERY TERMLY NEWS

A note from the Teachers

Welcome back to a brand new term at nursery! We hope you all had a wonderful, restful summer break filled with sunshine and fun. We are so excited to welcome our returning children back and to greet all of the new faces joining our nursery family. This term, our learning adventure centers around the wonderful theme of Rhyme Time! Through classic nursery rhymes and playful songs, the children will develop early literacy, rhythm, listening skills, and confidence. Rhyming plays a huge role in building foundational language skills, and we can't wait to sing, dance, and explore these stories together.

AUTUMN 1

PE Timetable

Nursery	Reception
Monday	Thursday
Thursday	

Subject News

Literacy



In literacy, children learn to notice, isolate, and manipulate individual sounds (phonemes) and syllables. Recognizing that "sheep" rhymes with "deep" lays the direct groundwork for phonics and decoding words when learning to read.

Maths



This term, we are focusing on the foundations of math: accurate counting, exploring number patterns, and understanding how large numbers are built.

PSHE



This half term, our "Managing Me" unit helps children develop the foundational social and emotional skills they need to thrive. Together, we'll practice working in teams, reflecting on our feelings, and choosing kindness in our everyday interactions. We'll also help them build adaptability as they navigate new routines and learn what it means to be a responsible, caring member of our school community.

Motor Development



This half term, we will support children as they practice building their physical strength, coordination, and independence.

Communication and Language



In nursery, we are supporting the children to add words to those physical cues. Instead of just pulling away or shaking their head, we're practicing phrases like "I don't agree" or "I'm playing with this right now."

Personal Social and Emotional Development



This half term, our "Managing Me" focus helps students develop key social and emotional skills. Together, we will practice group collaboration, emotional reflection, kindness, social adaptability, and community responsibility.

Understanding the World



This term we are exploring our home lives and families. Children are learning to celebrate what makes their own families special while discovering the wonderful variety of traditions and routines across our school community.

Home Learning

To continue to support your child's development at home in line with our school based learning we would love it if you could practice:

- putting on your coat
- taking off your coat
- putting on your own shoes
- taking off your own shoes
- counting to 10.

We are getting into sunny season so please send your child at school with a labelled bottle water.

Thank you for your continued support, Mrs Jordan, Miss Gill & Miss Donnelly

Star 6

Nursery



Reception





RECEPTION TERM 1 NEWS



A note from the Teachers

Welcome back to a brand-new school year! We hope you all had a restful, fun-filled summer break and created wonderful memories together. We are so excited to welcome your children into Reception and begin this exciting journey with you. The start of the school year is a special time, full of new friendships, discovery, and growth. Our learning theme for this term is "All About Me." Throughout the coming weeks, we will be focusing on helping the children celebrate what makes them unique, build confidence in their new environment, and form strong connections with their peers. Here is a glimpse of what we will be exploring together:

AUTUMN 1

PE Timetable

Nursery	Reception
Monday	Thursday
Thursday	

Subject News

Literacy



This half term our young learners are blasting off into reading with the launch of Rocket Phonics! This exciting phonics program uses engaging stories and structured practice to help students build strong decoding skills and a lifelong love of reading.

Maths



This term our Reception children are exploring Counting, Properties of Number, and the Number System. In Reception, math isn't just about writing numbers on a page—it is all about hands-on discovery, deep understanding, and making mathematical connections through play!

PSHE



Starting school is an exciting journey for you and your child! In our PSHE sessions under the theme 'Being in My World', we are nurturing their independence and helping them feel safe, valued, and connected in their new environment. Together, we are working on understanding boundaries, expressing our needs confidently, listening carefully to friends, and exploring our big feelings.

Motor Development



As your child settles into Reception, you will notice a huge focus on developing their fine motor skills—the small muscles in their hands, fingers, and wrists. These muscles are the foundation for everything from independent dressing to fluent handwriting!

Communication and Language



Language is the building block for all learning! In class, we will be busy expanding our vocabularies, categorizing the world around us, and practice speaking in clear, descriptive sentences.

Personal Social and Emotional Development



Starting school is a big step! In our PSHE sessions under the theme 'Being in My World', we are supporting your children as they build their confidence and social connections.

Understanding the World



This term, we will be looking closely at our families—focusing on our parents, grandparents, and older family members—and exploring how home life and everyday situations were different in the past. Sharing family history helps children develop a sense of identity, build empathy, and understand the concept of time in a meaningful way.

Home Learning

Each week your child will receive two pieces of home learning: one phonics sheet – which will link to the learning will have been doing in class. There will also be a maths based learning sheet which will link to the week's learning. Your child will get a reading book on a Friday – the phonic code in this will be linked to your child's learning. Reading books will be changed on the following Friday.

Thank you for your continued support – Miss Wood, Mrs Flo, Miss Evans & Miss Holmes.

Star 6

Nursery



Reception





KS1 TERMLY NEWS



A note from the Teachers

Welcome back to a brand-new school year! We hope you all had a fantastic summer holiday filled with fun, relaxation, and memorable moments. It is wonderful to see everyone back, refreshed, and ready to make this year a truly fabulous one in Key Stage 1! Our classrooms are already buzzing with excitement as the children settle into their new routines, reconnect with friends, and meet their teachers. We have so many wonderful learning adventures, creative projects, and exciting activities planned for the term ahead.

AUTUMN 1

PE Timetable

Year 1

Year 2

Thursday

Thursday

Subject News

Reading



In the classroom, we are recapping our phonics code and learning new sounds—including lots of new digraphs—which the children will apply daily in phonics and guided reading using our Rocket Phonics books to build fluency. To support their progress, we ask that you read with your child every day—even just a few pages—and sign their reading record daily.

Computing



This term, our computing curriculum focuses on developing our knowledge of how we stay safe online through stories.

Writing



This term, our writing will be inspired by wonderful stories as the children learn to weave their own personal experiences into creative tales. We will also become young researchers to write non-chronological reports about bears, exploring their appearance, diet, and habitats. Throughout the term, we will maintain a strong focus on letter formation and securing the core foundations of writing.

Art



This half-term, we are focusing on sketching! We will take inspiration from Andy Goldsworthy to support us in sketching natural objects.

Maths



This term, our young mathematicians are diving deep into the foundations of place value! We will be securing and strengthening our counting skills, building strong number confidence every step of the way. Through hands-on activities and visual tools, the children will learn how to partition numbers into tens and ones, compare different values, and order numbers with ease. These essential skills will give them a solid groundwork for all their future mathematical adventures!

PSHE



This half term, our learning journey is all about 'Being Me in My World.' We will think about how we fit into the world and our rights and responsibilities within it.

Home Learning

Each week your child will receive various pieces of home learning:

1 x maths based sheet linked to the learning in class

1 x Spelling sheet to practice spellings

Your child will bring home a reading book and reading record daily. You and your child can share the story and fill in their reading record. Your child can swap their book daily - or as required but please do ensure your child can read the book fluently.

Thank you for your continued support - Miss Ralph, Mr Hobson and Miss Coghill.

Year 1



Year 2





LKS2 TERMLY NEWS



A note from the Teachers

Welcome back! We hope you all had a fantastic, relaxing summer break and are feeling ready to jump into the new school year. It's been brilliant having everyone back under one roof and the children have had so many wonderful stories to share about how they spent their summer. We're so excited to have Miss Grayson joining our phase and we've already got heaps of brilliant learning and fun activities lined up. It's been wonderful seeing everyone in class, already completing amazing work and settling so brilliantly into what is going to be a fantastic year ahead!

AUTUMN 1

PE Timetable

All LKS2 classes have their PE days on:
Tuesday and Friday

Please ensure your child arrives in their uniform: they will have time to change before their sessions.

Subject News

Reading



This half term, LKS2 will be reading the novel, 'The Boy Who Grew Dragons'. A brilliant book packed with humor and magic as Tomas accidentally grows a fire-breathing friend. His mission is to tame his mischievous dragon and keep his grandad's garden intact!

Writing



To kick off our writing this term, we are starting with a SPAG week all about adjectives and expanded noun phrases. The children will then apply these grammar skills when crafting non-chronological reports on exciting subjects like Angry Birds and The Bad Guys!

Maths



In maths, we are kicking off the term by exploring place value and building a solid understanding of number values. We are putting a big emphasis on pride in our work, focusing closely on neat presentation across all of our maths books. Alongside this, we will be regularly practising our times tables to help build quick, fluent recall.

Science



In Science this term, we will be exploring producers, predators and prey to understand how animals and plants depend on each other. We will also be investigating the human body, learning all about the digestive system and the role our teeth play in eating!

History



We are travelling back to ancient times in History! The children will be investigating the dramatic changes from the Stone Age to the Iron Age, discovering how early civilizations adapted, built communities and laid the groundwork for how we live in society today.

PSHE



This term in PSHE, our focus is "Being Me in My World." We'll be discussing how we all fit together as a class and community, taking a closer look at democracy, our rights and how rules help create a fair and safe space for everyone.

Home Learning

Each week your child will receive various pieces of home learning:

1 x reading comprehension with questions - this will link to the topics studied in class.

1 x maths based sheet/ times tables.

1 x SPAG/ Spelling sheet to practice skills from SPAG week,

1 x Theme based learning

Your child will also bring home a reading book. Please ensure reading records are signed by an adult and then brought in daily along with your child's reading book.

Thank you for your continued support

Star 6

Year 3



Year 4





UKS2 TERMLY NEWS

A note from the Teachers

And just like that, we have settled into yet another school year and what an exciting one we have ahead. It has been wonderful welcoming back your children and hearing all about their summer getaways and adventures. We are already one week into our learning and we have seen some impressive learning behaviours displayed by all in UKS2. There really does seem to be a sense of pride buzzing around each of the three classrooms which has been evident in the quality of work produced - long may this continue. This half term sees the return of a few school favourites: Harvest festival at St Philips Church, Ancient Greek workshops and the anual Halloween disco. Let the fun begin!

AUTUMN 1

PE Timetable

Both Year 5 and Year 6 PE day:
Fridays

Please ensure your child arrives in their uniform: they will have time to change before their sessions.

Subject News

Reading



This half term, UKS2 will be reading the novel, 'There's a boy in the girls' bathroom'. A fantastic book about a boy navigating his way through friendships and school life. Bradley's mission is to prove to himself and others that he does belong.

Science



In Science, the children will be learning about the human body: life cycles and how to keep ourselves healthy. We will look at the different developmental stages a human goes through and the ages at which certain milestones are reached.

Writing



In writing, we begin the term with a SPAG week where the children will learn grammatical features that will be implemented into their writing. Following this, the children will writing instructions and explanation texts.

History



This half term, History takes us back to the Greek ancient civilisation. During this unit, the children will learn about their daily lives, how influential their gods where to them and the impact they had and still have on our lives today.

Maths



In maths this half term, UKS2 focus heavily on place value. This sets the foundation for everything else to come in the year such as the four operations and fractions, decimals and percentages. So far, so good!

PSHE



This half term, the focus is around 'Being me in my world'. The children explore the year ahead, setting goals for themselves that are achievable and bespoke to their unique selves.

Home Learning

Each week your child will receive various pieces of home learning:

1 x reading comprehension with questions - this will link to the topics studied in class.

1 x maths based sheet/ times tables.

1 x SPAG/ Spelling sheet (20 spellings) to practise skills from SPAG week,

1 x Theme based learning

Your child will also bring home a reading book. Please ensure reading records are signed by an adult and then brought in daily along with your child's reading book.

Thank you for your continued support

Year 5



Year 6





STARS TERMLY NEWS



A note from the Teachers

Welcome back to school, we wish you all had a lovely summer and enjoyed the lovely weather we were lucky to experience. This is an exciting term as we welcome Comets to our STARS base. This is the first time we have two functioning spaces designed specifically to meet the needs of our learners. We welcome new staff and children to the base and encourage parents and carers to come in and see what the learning that takes place.

AUTUMN 1

PE and Movement Timetable

Comets	Supernovas
Wednesday	Tuesday
Friday	Thursday

Supernovas Subject News

Reading



As we continue to improve reading fluency through targeted phonics programmes and banded reading sessions. We will look at developing skills of comprehension.

Writing



This half term we develop skills of descriptive writing. Using different sentences styles and structure to improve the flow of our writing.

Maths



In Maths this half we will start with place value and understanding the number system before we head towards the four operations, (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division)

Thrive

Within the STARS base we deliver daily THRIVE lessons, looking at developing emotional literacy through games and topics.

Art

In STARS we explore different artists and artistic work styles. We explore a range of different tools and materials, allowing us to create a range of art work.

SEL

SEL is Social Emotional learning, we aim to develop emotional literacy by exploring feelings and sensations that the body may feel during different emotional states.

Comets Subject News

Phonics/ Reading

In Comets we will be delivering bespoke phonics programmes. Targeted to gaps in missing code. We aim to plug these gaps and improve reading fluency.

Maths and Number

To start in Comets we will secure our understanding of number by counting and recognising numbers up to 20 by using a range of manipulatives.

Intensive Interaction

As we continue to explore our base, we will be using intensive interaction through games and provision to enhance expressive and receptive language skills.

Gross and Fine Motor skills

Within the base, children have a range of provision areas planned to develop fine and gross motor skills allow our children to improve independence.

Wider Curriculum

This term's topic is All About Me. Understanding who we are as young people, understanding our feelings and emotions and recognising boundaries and expectations that are placed upon us.