

# Reception Newsletter

## Senses

How do we make sense of the world?

Dear Parents and Children,

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your child a very warm welcome to Reception.

We have a fun filled term ahead of us with lots of exciting activities created to stimulate and engage your child in their learning from the start. We understand for some children entering Reception can be a daunting prospect therefore the focus of the first few weeks is to allow each child to settle in the classroom, in the school and with each other. We have a calm, positive learning environment where each individual child is listened to at all times. Likewise, we value your views and cannot wait to join with yourselves and your children to become a fantastic Reception Team for 2019-2020!

### Days to Remember

PE	Monday (am)
Italian	Friday ( pm)
Half Term	21 <sup>st</sup> - 25 <sup>th</sup> October



*Learning to love, loving to learn*

## Autumn 1 2019

Class Teacher: Ms Mercer

Support Staff: Mrs Mathiethasson & Ms Brenda

### Homework

Homework will be given out on Fridays to be returned the following Wednesday.

Week 1 homework – RE based

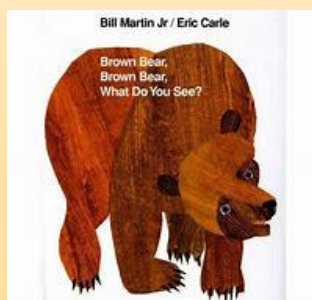
Weeks 2-8 - Maths and English.

Learning Challenge half termly project due back on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October**. \*This is the termly routine and will start once all are settled.

### Learning Challenge:

This challenge involves lots of sensory play and enables children to develop their vocabulary around the senses. It is a great opportunity to develop children's skills in listening to the opinions of others and giving their own opinion and views

The children will investigate into questions such as why do some things taste nice? What made that noise? What's in the box? Where do smells come from? What do you spy with your little eye?



### Values Education



**September: Love**

**October: Respect**

Please discuss these values with your child, identifying acts that represent them.

### Reading

Please read with your child for at least 10 mins every night. Spend time talking about the story together.

Learning challenge- Talk to your child about feelings and discuss with your child about the links that they make between characters, stories, songs and the way they make them feel.

### Learning Challenge Event

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October – Come and look at your child's learning so far!

### How you can help at home

- Discuss with your child the things they have learned each day.
- Get them into a routine for doing homework. Provide them with a quiet area and regular time to complete homework. Check and sign their homework (Good preparation for Secondary School).
- Read with your child.
- Practise times tables.
- Talk about each month's value with your child.
- Read and discuss the "Wednesday Word" every week with your child.