

Coats

Please make sure that your child has a **NAMED** coat in school every day. If you provide hats, gloves and scarves, please also NAME these.



PE Kit

PE kits will be needed this term. Please make sure every item—including shoes is named, and is in a named bag. We will keep PE kits in school and return them home before half term.

Jewellery - Children are not permitted to wear jewellery in reception. Please also ensure your child takes off any nail varnish before school.

Home learning - The Reading Race & Learning Log

Your child should read every day. Please ensure that daily sessions of reading are recorded in their reading record book and each one is signed by you. Reading books are changed on a Tuesday.

The children will earn points for each day that they read. Once they get to 50 reads they will receive a prize. The reading record has tips for helping your child with their reading.

We will collect in reading records every Tuesday.

Please look out for your child's learning log each week. There will be a new topic every week. This can be completed in any way, by your child, including drawing, photos, things you have collected.

Furzefield Primary School



Topic Information
Reception
Spring Term 1

Topic

Around the world



Over the next half term we will be focussing our learning in reception around the topic of 'Around the world'. We are continuing to follow the children's interests we will be linking locations with types of travels and different types of environments and landmarks. This will include learning about different places/ countries. We will be developing our investigation skills and knowledge of people in the wider community.

Dates for your diary

Chinese New Year—29th January
Half term - 17th-21st February. Children return to school on Monday 24th February.

We hope to take Reception on a school trip later in the term—please look out for more details.

Communication Language and Literacy

We will continue learning our phonics sounds through the Read Write Scheme. Look out for videos on Marvellous Me!



We will be reading stories from other cultures like 'Chinese New Year'.

You can help your child to practise writing their letters at home. You could write about an adventure you have been on or go on a pretend journey. Think about different forms of transport that you may have used together. Use any dressing up costumes at home to act out and role play your own stories together.

Mathematics

We will continue to follow our Maths Mastery curriculum focussing on number.



As well as this we will have some focus on comparing numbers and solving simple calculations. We will continue to learn facts about shapes and begin to explore capacity, weight, height and length.

At home, please continue to count with your children and look out for different shapes and patterns in the world around us.

Physical development

P.E will focus on balancing, climbing and making our hearts pump through active movement. We will be using balancing equipment and exploring movement.



At home you could try and make your own obstacle course together to practise balance and coordination. You could develop fine motor skills and independence by practising doing up buttons and zips on a coat or look at trying to tie a shoe lace.

Creative development

We will be using role play to act like adventurers, explorers and animals.



We will be looking at patterns to create different types of animals, along with different textures to create their fur, scales or feathers.

In cooking we will be exploring food from around the world.

At home you could try new foods from other countries. You could also explore materials at home and what they are used for.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

We will be exploring the different places in the world starting in Merstham. We will be locating where they come from on maps, globes and Google Earth looking at what can be found in those places. We will also be thinking about differences and similarities about them..



At home you could talk about holidays and look at where they are on a map. You could also talk about your family heritage.