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Reception Autumn Term 2025



Welcome to Reception!

We hope you had a wonderful summer, and you are ready to begin your Reception journey at Goldthorn Park! The first few weeks at school are very important as we focus on settling in, following routines and making new friends, while also learning new skills through a mixture of adult led and child led activities, indoors and outdoors.

Literacy and Phonics

Children will start to develop their phonics knowledge and understanding through the introduction of our scheme Floppy's phonics. They will use phonics to identify initial sounds within words as well as beginning to segment and blend phonemes to read simple words. Within their literacy learning the children will begin to recognise and write their names as well as practicing formation of different letters



Communication and Language

As part of our prime areas of learning, communication and language plays a huge part of our learning, it is at the heart! At every opportunity, staff will be working with the children to develop their, speaking, listening, attention and understanding skills through listening to stories, taking part in circle time, playing games and following instructions.

Maths

To become budding mathematicians, children will be learning all about numbers in detail while using the mastering number approach. We will learn to recognise the composition of numbers as well as looking at how numbers are made using number bonds. We will practice counting forwards and backwards to 10, as well as subitising numbers to 5. Within reception, our maths learning is practical and fun using apparatus such as numicon, cubes, ten frames and small toys.



Physical Development

Children will receive 2x taught sessions of PE each week and always have access to their outdoor learning environment, allowing them to use their gross and fine motor skills. The children will also improve their fine motor skills through daily fine motor activities such as cutting, dough disco and threading as well as daily handwriting sessions

Wild Tribe

Children will take part in wild tribe within school once a week. The children will need to come into school in their PE kit and will need a pair of wellies and a waterproof coat.



Topic

During our first term, we will begin our learning through our topic 'Humpty and Friends' where we will be learning about lots of different nursery rhymes as a foundation to our learning.



We will also spend time learning about special occasions such as Diwali, bonfire night and Remembrance Day. Then for the second part of our learning will be 'tell us a story' where will learn about different traditional tales such as jack and the beanstalk and three little pigs. We will also take part in 'world nursery rhyme week'

