

# Reception Autumn Term Newsletter

06/10/2023

## Home reading

Your child will receive a library book every week and some pages from a phonic book.



Once we start reading groups, the book they have read at school will also be assigned to them on the Collins eBook website.

If you have lost or forgotten your child's login please speak to their class teacher.



## Homework

Your child will receive phonics homework each week and posts showing the other learning that has been taking place will be put onto learning journals.

If you have lost or forgotten your child's login please speak to their class teacher.

### We are here to help!

If you need support please speak to a member of staff at the end of the day. We have Reception staff that are able to speak Romanian, Urdu, Punjabi, Somali and Mirpuri. Please let us know if you need help with translation.

If you need to contact the Reception team you can email us at: [reception@hovingham.org](mailto:reception@hovingham.org)

## YOUR CHILD'S TEAM



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## PARENT EVENTS

Date and Time	Event
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October – 9.00am	Parent OPAL Workshop
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	School closed – Training Days
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	School Closed – Half Term Holiday
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> November – 9.00am	Parent Phonics and Early Reading Workshop
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December – 2.30pm	Reception Christmas Concert
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> December – Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> January	School Closed – School Holidays



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 **Tolerance**

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 **Creativity**

## PE

Children in Reception have PE once a week.

Your child will need to come into school wearing their PE kit on the correct day.

The PE days are:

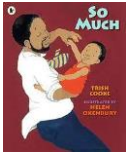
**Casper:** Monday

**Oreo:** Wednesday

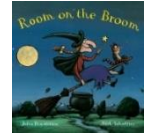
**Yoda:** Friday

## KEY THEMES

Our theme for Autumn 1 is "What Do I Know About Me?" We will be speaking about our bodies and how to keep them healthy. We will be learning about our families and how they are the same/different. We will also be learning about what it means to be ready, respectful and safe. Our key texts for the half term are "Colour Monster" By Anna Llenas and "So Much" by Trish Cooke.



In Autumn 2 our theme is "Does everybody celebrate the same things?" We will encourage children to speak about the events that they celebrate at home with their families and how these are the same/different to the things that their friends celebrate. Our key texts for this half term are "Room on the Broom" and "Stick Man" by Julia Donaldson.



## OUR WIDER CURRICULUM

**Maths:** In Autumn 2 we will be learning about the numbers 1, 2 and 3. In Autumn 2 we will be looking at the numbers 4 and 5. Children will begin to learn to subitise small amounts of objects, count using 1-1 correspondence, find groups of amounts and recognise numerals to 5. They will learn about the words more, fewer, equal, part and whole and what these mean. We will explore different ways of making numbers to 5 and learn about shapes that have 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 sides.



**Expressive Arts and Design:** We will be learning about two artists this term. Their names are Deborah Roberts and Yayoi Kusama. In the first half term we will look at Deborah Robert's collages and use these as inspiration to create our own collages. In Autumn 2 we will look at Yayoi Kusama's "Infinity Rooms" and paintings and use these as inspiration to create our paintings and sculptures.



**Understanding of the World:** In the first half of the Autumn term we will be learning about our bodies and how to keep them healthy. We will speak about how we are the same and different and will begin to speak about how the weather is changing in autumn. We will harvest food from the allotment and speak about the different types for food that we eat for lunch.



In Autumn 2 we will speak more about autumn and how it affects the world around us. We will go on a visit to the forest to see what has happened to the trees. We will speak about the things that we celebrate at home and how different cultures celebrate different things. We will cook mice pies and learn songs for our Christmas performance



**Physical Development:** This term we will start introducing children to PE lessons. The first half term will be focussing on our bodies and how we can move them in different ways. We will play games that involve starting and stopping when asked and will practise keeping ourselves safe when exercising. In Autumn 2 we will be doing some dancing and exploring moving in different ways, responding to different types of music.

## TRIPS

**Compton Library:** R Casper – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October, R Yoda – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October, R Oreo – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October

Children will continue to have regular visits to the goats at the CATCH centre – this will happen on Friday afternoons.



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