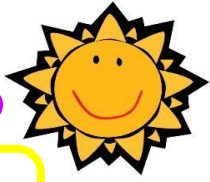




Reception Summer Newsletter 2026



Welcome back! We hope you have had a lovely Easter break. We can't believe we are into the summer term already!

Curriculum

This half term our topics are Julia Donaldson, Space and Superheroes. We will be exploring a range of Julia Donaldson stories, focusing on rhyme and repetition. Learning about space including planets and astronauts, and using our imagination to design and describe our own superheroes.

In the second half of the term, our topics will include traditional tales, the seaside, and a reflection on our time in Reception. Through these topics, we will focus on developing storytelling skills and building confidence in writing our own stories independently. We will also explore our environment, with a particular emphasis on how we can help care for and protect the seaside.

In Maths, we will be building our knowledge of number bonds to 10 including addition and subtraction facts. Thinking about the different composition of numbers to 10 as well as comparing weight, length and capacity using everyday language.

In Phonics, we will be continuing to learn and improve our confidence reading and writing set 1 and set 2 sounds. We will be focusing on reading and writing sentences independently, showing understanding of what we are reading and writing as well!

Events

Think Tank Trip: Tuesday 5th May 2026

Macmillan Coffee Morning: Friday 8th May 2026

Information

Reading Books

Thank you for your support with reading. The children are starting to blend the sounds quickly to read words. Please continue the great work at home along with your comments in their reading records as it is very important, we know if the independent reading book has been read so that these early reading skills are practised regularly.

Guided reading books will be changed once a week by the class teachers after their group session, please remember these books should be read with an adult as there might be sounds/red words your child has not yet learnt.

Children will have the opportunity to change their independent reading books on a **Thursday** when placed in the boxes in the classroom – this will help develop their independence ready for Year 1. Please ensure both reading books and the reading diary are kept in their reading folder.

Reading wallets should be brought to school every day please so they are available when we read with your child.

Library books will be changed on a **Monday** for RM and **Friday** for RR.

PE

Our PE day this term is on a **Monday** for both RM and RR. All clothing and other belongings should be labelled – particularly **jumpers and cardigans** as the children start to take them off in the warmer weather.

Sun cream

It is advisable for children to wear hats and sun cream when (fingers crossed!) the weather is sunny. An all-day sun block should be applied in the morning before coming to school as staff do not reapply sun-cream for the children. Please remember to have your child's water bottle in school every day.

Bags

It would be helpful if children could continue to bring to school their Maney Hill book bag as they did in previous terms, larger rucksacks take up lots of space in our classrooms.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Miah, Mr Riley, Mrs Edwards, Mrs Biddle and Mrs Baku.