



Reception Newsletter

Copthorne Primary School

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Welcome back!

Welcome back, and Happy New Year! We hope you all had a lovely holiday and festive period. We are looking forward to the new half term, as there are lots of exciting things ahead. We would like to thank you all for your continuous support in making sure all children wear the correct uniform, complete and hand in their homework, practise their bear words, practise their handwriting and phonics at home. All of these things are essential to your child's progress.

During our English lessons, we will be looking at different types of books—fiction and non-fiction in order for the children to use text effectively and find information and facts. We will also be encouraging the children to learn about animals through different media—they will use i-pads and the computers to enhance their research. All our children have a love of animals, and are very caring; we know they will take every opportunity given to find out more information so they can share their facts with the class. We are having a big focus on enhancing the children's writing through the correct use of phonics, tricky and decodable words. We are encouraging the children to form their letters correctly. Again, your help with this at home in their homework books is greatly appreciated.

Throughout this half term, in our Maths lessons, we will be learning about combining amounts, addition and subtraction. We will send out a letter about our Maths workshop at a later date, and will keep you informed about your child's progress. It would be extremely beneficial for you and your child for you to attend.

As Scientists we will be focusing on what happens to ice in different environments over a period of time.

In PE, we are developing our skills, learning how to balance, use basic movements and negotiate space. We will then progress into making small dance routines. The children are really engaged in our PE lessons and have been learning about the science of how our body works when we exercise.

If you have any queries about your child's education, please feel free to make an appointment by speaking to us.

Miss Holmes & Miss Birchall



This half term we will be looking at our exciting topics 'Winter Wonderland' and Chinese New Year. It looks at different animals and their behaviours through the colder months. We will be discussing global warming, as well as habitats and environments.

We will be cooking Chinese food, and learning about the similarities and differences of our cultures.

Reminders

Homework

If your child cannot yet write their name, please practice this daily, to aid what we are doing at school.

All homework, whether this be written or practising their reading, is distributed every Tuesday and Thursday and should be returned and completed to a high standard by the following morning. Word books will be completed throughout the week, approximately twice with each child. The activities set all relate to and support your child's current learning in class.

Please encourage your child to keep their books in a good condition, as this will help them take pride in their work.

Please access ParentHub and search for Reception's channel

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New P.E. Days

Nutmeg Class

Wednesday and Thursday

Hazel Class

Tuesday & Friday

Please ensure that your child is sent to school with their FULL labelled PE kit on these days. This includes trainers or pumps.

