



CURRICULUM INFORMATION - Spring Term 2019 Reception class

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a very happy and healthy New Year and hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas holiday.

Please find below an overview of some aspects of Reception Class for the Spring term.

Theme

Our learning this half term will take place through the theme of 'Space'. We will be looking at the planet we live on and why it is special and find out about our solar system, the planets, the sun and beyond.

Attached to this letter is a mind map of the skills we will be teaching through our themes.

Characteristics of Effective Learning

An important and essential part of the Early Years Foundation Stage is the characteristics of effective learning. These are the skills that children need to make them into successful learners. Each term we focus on a certain aspect.

This term we are focusing on: **Active Learning** – Motivation

Through this we will focus on:

- being involved and concentrating
- keeping trying
- enjoying achieving what they set out to do

Alongside these skills we will also be encouraging the children to be independent in their self-care and be responsible for their learning, behaviour and belongings.

Phonics

We will continue to learn new phonemes and tricky words each week. We will also start to write the tricky words and practise high frequency words. During phonics we will encourage the children to write short sentences by sounding out the words phonetically.

Yours in Partnership

Mr Farmer and Mrs Barnett