

Reception Newsletter

7th October 2022



Another super week!

We have been very busy finding out all about 'Take-Care' this week. Taking care of each other and ourselves and in the classroom. The 'Tidy Team' as we have been calling the Reception children at tidy up time have been trying very hard to look after all the toys in the classroom and play carefully and sensibly with all the activities we have had out. This is still a work in progress, but we have noticed a number of children actively tidying up as they go along!

Next Week:

We will be doing lots of activities around Autumn. If you are out and about over the weekend, please collect some conkers, acorns, or leaves that we can look at and use in the classroom. Talk to your child about the changing colours and the animals that are beginning to think about hibernation.

On the class page on the website you will find a little more detail about the things that we will be learning in this next two week.

We are beginning to get very excited about our Welcome Service in the church on Thursday morning. Everyone is welcome to this service and your child will be bringing home their own Bible.

We will be learning all about comparing measurements in maths next week, starting with length and height. We will be concentrating on the language we use to compare two or three items e.g., longer, shorter, taller etc

In Literacy we will be starting our next Talk 4 Writing book called 'We are going on a leaf hunt' This book has a similar format to the Bear Hunt so will be easy for the children to learn and we will put the story map on the website so that your child can read you the story using the symbols.

Just a few reminders:

We have noticed that a few of our small toys, counting objects, magnetic letters and other items are vanishing from the classroom. We try and introduce equipment that entices the children into learning, and this means that quite often they get popped into pockets. We know this happens and we won't get cross with the children, but we are sending out a plea that if you come across things in your child's pocket or book bag we would very much love them to be returned. No questions asked, we promise!

PE on Wednesday

This week we have been throwing and catching bean bags.

Labels

Thank you very much for all the items of clothing that is clearly labelled. We are still finding some clothes without names on them however, so please ensure all clothes and shoes have your child's name on.



Phonics Meeting for Reception Parents

We will be holding two meetings on **October 18th** to explain how we now teach Phonics and Reading at St. Peter's. Both meetings are identical, so you only need to attend one of the meetings.

These will be held in the Reception classroom at **3.45pm** and **5.30pm**.

We are always around to answer any questions or queries that you may have. There are couple of ways that you can contact us:

- Pop over to see us at the end of the day. Once we have dismissed the children safely, we are always available to have a chat.
- Phone the office to make an appointment with any one of us.
- Email the office to make an appointment. The office staff will forward the email to us, and we will catch you or give you a ring to arrange a suitable time.

Please do let us know of any concerns as quickly as possible. We can usually sort things out very quickly if you let us know.

Many thanks

The Reception Team

(Mrs Gibbens, Mrs Morrell, Mrs Wood and Mrs Boulty)