

Reception
Autumn 1
Curriculum Map

Welcome to Reception! We hope you had a lovely summer and are looking forward to the Autumn term. Our primary aim is to work alongside you to get to know your child and help them settle into school life.

Our theme is 'Do you want to be friends?'

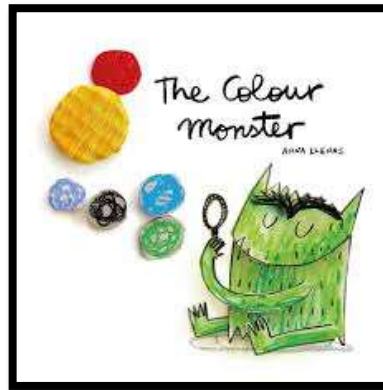
Friends are the family that you choose! This half term we'll get to know each other, the staff and the school. We will learn classroom routines and expectations and explore the way we feel. To support this we will be using stories including 'Have You Filled Your Bucket Today?' and 'The Colour Monster' and we will share our 'all about me bags', celebrating each other's differences.

In Literacy and Phonics we will be reading lots of stories and singing nursery rhymes to support oracy. We will also begin to learn letter sounds and develop our name writing. To support your child at home, please read, read and read to them!

In Maths, we will be exploring numbers and focusing on early counting strategies and number recognition. We will also be singing number rhymes to introduce early concepts of addition and subtraction and developing number confidence.

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Half-termly project

Get creative and make a family tree! We would love to see your take on a family tree, but here are a few ideas. You could...

- Paint or draw your tree, and pictures of your family
- Taking photographs
- Use collage materials to make your tree
- Get creative with junk to make a 3D model
- Using construction materials and adding pictures (a Lego tree with pictures stuck on, perhaps?)

Include as many family members as you like – cousins, grandparents, pets! You could add detail by sharing their names, ages or your favourite thing about them.

Please bring them in or upload them to Tapestry week beginning **Monday 18th October**. We can't wait to see what you create!

Key information

Pupil Planner: Please check your child's planner daily (including the plastic sleeve at the front!) and use it to communicate messages to us. **Please also complete the permissions section (at the front) and sign all relevant pages.** Thank you!

Home learning: Home learning activities will be sent out each Friday via Tapestry. We may also send home learning resources on Friday in the planner e.g. key words.

PE days

Outdoor PE is Tuesday and Indoor PE is Friday. Children need to have an outdoor and indoor PE kit in school for their PE days. **Earrings must be removed and hair tied back.**

Creative development: We will be drawing and painting self-portraits, looking closely at our features and learning simple painting techniques.

Understanding the world: We will focus on our school and local environment and where it fits within the world. We will compare Northstowe with different countries and talk about our local community.

Reading: Please record books that you have read with your child under the Reading Record section each day in the planner. In school, we will be celebrating the number of times each child has read during the week. Who can read/have a story 5 times a week?

Dates for the diary:

Tuesday and Friday – PE



Important Reminders:

Please check all your child's belongings are clearly named.