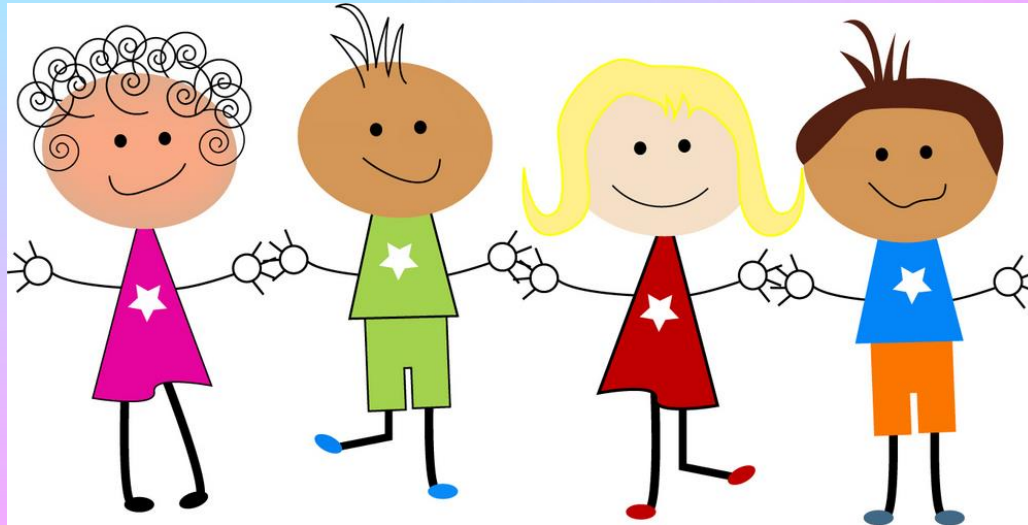


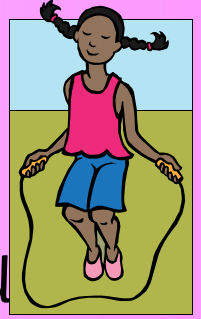
Welcome to Year R



The Year R Teaching Team

- *Class teacher : Mrs Bruton*
- *Teaching Assistant - Mrs Rhys-Jones*

The Essentials!



• Please could all children have their P.E kits (shorts, t-shirts and daps) in school with them every day. In winter they will also need warm jogging bottoms for games outside, and a warm top also (preferably blue or black - don't worry too much if it isn't). PE will be on a **Monday** and **Tuesday**.

• **Please could all sweatshirts and cardigans be named.**

• Book bags need to be in school every day please.

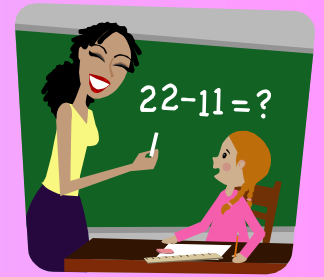
• A pair of wellies to be kept in school please.

This Term's Topic

All about me and Autumn

- *Settling in*
- *Getting to know one another*
- *What we look like*
- *Where we live - different types of houses*
- *Autumn - what is it, what happens?*
- *Harvest - what is it, how do we celebrate it?*

Maths



- *Whole class input - focussing on all the different aspects of Maths - shape, pattern, measures, numbers*
- *Group work*
- *Play based activities*

Literacy - Reading and Writing



We use RWI Phonics to teach the children how to read and write.

Children will undertake work related to phonics everyday.

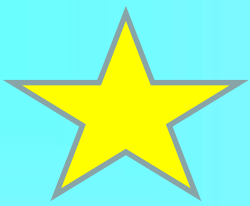
They will learn 44 sounds to begin with, split up into small groups (please try to use 'Pure Sounds', and not letter names).

Once they have learned all the sounds in a group, they will begin to read simple words using these sounds (green words). This is known as Fred Talk. They will also learn to read words which can not be sounded out (red words).

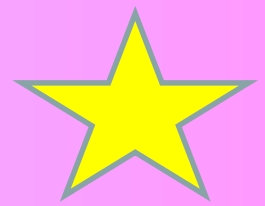
Children will have a word box containing green words and red words for them to practise reading at home (as well as in school), along with their sound cards.

Homework

- Children's homework will be focused on reading.
- Please listen to them read their book, words and sounds - they do not need to do everything every night.
- Little and often is the best policy!
- After Christmas, children will have the opportunity to undertake 'Topic based' homework. This will be set at the beginning of the term and due in at the end of the term, where they will have a chance to share their work with the class. There will be a list of ideas from which the children will need to choose one. A lot of the options will be practical based.



Reading Stars



- To encourage children to read regularly at home, the school is continuing with the 'Reading Stars' initiative
- If a child reads 5 times each week and a parent signs their reading diary they will receive a star on a chart
- Each time they gain 5 stars, they will receive a certificate

Tapestry

- To ensure you are able to access Tapestry, please ensure the Office has an up to date email address for you.
- Your child's photo may end up on other children's accounts (because of group photos being taken), please let me know if you do not wish this to happen.

How to help your child

- Read stories to your child
- Talk, talk, talk
- Cooking
- Play games
- Visit the library
- Encourage independence - getting dressed, cutting up food, having a go at new things
- Sing, dance, make music
- Get messy!
- Role play

