

West Hill Primary School

Reception Autumn Newsletter

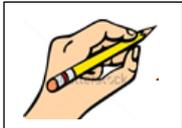
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Dear Parents and Carers,
A big welcome to Reception. We have a busy term ahead and the children in class Sánchez will be engaging in some fantastic learning. Below are some of the aspects of learning we will be looking at during the Autumn Term.
Mrs Squire.

Learning this term

Writing – We are learning to



*Hold our writing tools correctly
Write recognisable letters
Give meaning to marks we make*

Phonic – We are learning to

Learn new sounds:

Set 1 sounds

m, a, s, d, t, i, n, p, g, o, c, k, u,

b, f, e, l, h, sh, r, j, v, y, w, th, z,

ch, qu, x, ng, nk

The Tricky Words

to, the, I, no, go, into



Maths – We are learning to

Work with numbers within 5

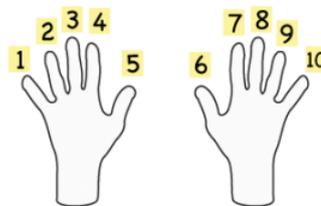
Count to 10 in order

Know the value of numbers 0-5

Compare – amounts, size, mass

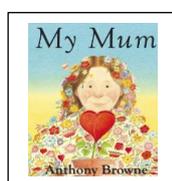
capacity

Explore pattern



0	
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	

Autumn 1 All About Me



Starting School
My Family
My Body
My Emotions

Autumn 2 Celebrations



What I can do well
Special occasions
Religious celebrations
All different all equal
International celebrations

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P.E.

Autumn 1

The specialist provision - Kick London will be teaching Class Sánchez. They will be concentrating on ball skills

Autumn 2

In this term the children will be exploring movement and dance.

As part of the EYFS curriculum children are expected to dress and undress independently. Therefore, Reception children will change for PE in school. Please ensure their PE kit is in school.

How to help at home

Problem Solving, Reasoning and Numeracy

We want to encourage a love of numbers and solving problems.

Ask lots of questions - "We have 5 people coming to dinner, how many plates do we need to get out of the cupboard?"

Sings songs like –

"Five fat sausages sizzling in the pan...one went pop and the other went BANG!" How many sausages are left?

Counting EVERYTHING!

Maybe the number of lamp posts on the way to school, or steps taken to get into bed. Counting aloud forward and backwards. Get your child to help you cook - measuring ingredients and sharing food out.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

Help your child to understand the routines of their school day by talking to them about what they have done during the day.

Encourage your child to understand their past and present for example relationships of aunts, uncles, grans and grandpas.

Talk to your child about - where they live, the name of their road, who their neighbours are.

Physical Development

Go to the park and have some fun!

Explore what our bodies can do. "How high can you jump?", "How fast can you run?", "How high can you stretch?"

Improving smaller movements like pencil grip by using small construction toys or play operation!

Creative Development

Get messy at home, get out the paints, chalks and have some fun! Role-play – remember, you can turn anything into a prop.

Singing, dancing and making music.

Uniform

The school uniform consists of a light blue polo shirt, a West Hill sweatshirt, black or grey trousers or skirt and black shoes.

No trainers permitted

Children must not wear jewellery to school.

Attendance and Punctuality

Please ensure that your child is present and on time each morning as this will help them to do the best that they possibly can this year. The school gates are open from **8.35**. Reception and Nursery gate will be opened at **8.40** for children to make their way to their classroom. The gate closes at **8.50**.

Children arriving after registration with no explanation from parents are marked with an unauthorised absence.

Please also remember that the school office is currently closed to visitors. If you need to speak to a member of staff you will need to phone or email.

Covid and handwashing

On arrival at school and at various points throughout the school day we ask the children to wash or sanitise their hands. We are ensuring that we do everything that we can to keep them safe at school. We are trying to minimise items going back and forth between home and school, so please bear with us whilst our routines change to accommodate current guidelines.

Reading

We want to encourage a passion for reading and books. Make sure you read to your child as well as them reading to you. Your child will bring home two books each week a book for them to read to you and one for you to read to them! Ensure that reading books are brought to school every day in their book bag so that your child does not miss their book change day.

Diary Dates

Keep an eye out for forthcoming events on the school website.

<https://westhill.wandsworth.sch.uk/>

We will also keep you informed of specific events relevant for Reception.