

Home-School Link Letter

Year: Reception Term: Autumn 2



Communication and Language	<p>This term we will be learning to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listen and respond to ideas expressed by others in conversations and discussions.• Understand humour such as jokes and nonsense rhymes.• Extend our vocabulary and explore the sounds of new words.• Answer 'how' and 'why' questions.
Literacy	<p>This term we will be learning to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together.• Use clearly identifiable letters to communicate meaning.• Write our own names and other things such as labels, lists and captions.• Use our phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match the spoken sounds.
Maths	<p>This term we will be learning to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recognise numerals up to 20.• Record using marks that we can interpret and explain.• Estimate how many objects we can see and check by counting them.• Use mathematical names for 3D shapes.
Understanding the World	<p>This term we will be learning to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Look closely at similarities and differences.• Join in with family customs and look at the differences between communities and traditions.• Look at similarities and differences with regards to places and objects.
Topic	<p>Our Topic this half term is: 'Colour my world'.</p> <p>We will be looking at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bonfire Night and having a Bonfire party.• Diwali.• Colours in the environment.• Artists, such as Kandinsky, and their use of colours.• Stories such as Elmer.• Make patterns and pictures using colours and natural objects.

Physical Development	<p>This term we will be learning to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use a pencil and hold it effectively to form letters. • Use simple tools to effect changes to materials. • Show an understanding of how to transport and store equipment safely.
Personal, Emotional and Social Development	<p>This term we will be learning to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negotiate and solve problems. • Explain our own knowledge and understanding, and ask appropriate questions of others. • Describe ourselves in positive terms.
Expressive arts and design	<p>This term we will be learning to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create simple representations of events, people and objects. • Choose particular colours for a purpose and explore what happens when we mix colours. • Initiate new movements to express our feelings, ideas and experiences. • Work in groups to create big pieces of artwork linked to other areas of the curriculum

Dates to remember

Learning Journey books are collected in on a Thursday.

Diwali Workshop on Monday 30th October

Harvest Festival at St Marks Church Friday 10th November

Your child will be able to change their reading books on a daily basis

P.E. day will be **Wednesday**. Please ensure that earrings are removed on this day.

What else can you do to help your child?

Please share your child's school book at home and write comments in the reading diary.

Use the yellow Learning Journey book to write about anything your child has achieved at home. You may also share photographs.

Thank you for all the lovely Proud Clouds that have been sent in. We will be sending home some more Proud Clouds after half term. This helps us to see what your children can do at home and gives us the opportunity to celebrate what they have achieved.