

# Reception: Spring 2026

## Spring Term Topics

- Winter
- History (Past and Present)
- My future

## The Reception Team

Miss Pownall- Class Teacher  
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Miss Sofia- Co- teacher

You can speak to us at the end of each school day in the playground or you can contact us through the school office by calling 0207 736 2318 or by sending an email to [rec@academy.thomas-s.co.uk](mailto:rec@academy.thomas-s.co.uk)

Our School Uniform is important - please make sure your child is wearing the correct clothes and shoes and that they have the correct PE kit. Please ensure that every item of your child's school uniform is named with a sewn on label or permanent pen.

We are always looking for ways to improve our school - please feel free to contact the school office if you have any ideas or suggestions or if there is an issue you would like to discuss.

## School Start Time

8:45am

## School End Time

3:30pm

## PE Day: Wednesday and Thursday

Children should come dressed in their PE kit on this day.



Every day is vital - please make sure that your child does not miss school unless they are seriously unwell. Holidays in term time are not permitted. Please let the school office know if your child is absent.



Your child is expected to bring in their reading folder everyday so that letters and books can be brought home for you and your child to read.

**It is vital** that you take time to read with your child as often as possible. Your child will be bringing a reading book home to read daily, along with a reading diary to record comments about their reading in.



Your child will have an account on Tapestry where we put observations of your child's day as well as weekly roundups. You will also be able to upload what your child has been up to outside of school.

# Key Dates

6 Jan	Children return
25 Jan	Burns Night
9-15 Feb	Children's Mental Health Week
9 and 11 Feb	Parents Meetings
10 Feb	Safer Internet Day
13th Feb	Come as Yourself Day
16-20 Feb	HALF TERM
2nd Mar	Daffodil House to wear a yellow accessory to celebrate St. David's Day
5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	World Book Day Author Visit
6th Mar	Mbilla Arts: African Drumming
8th Mar	International Women's Day
17 <sup>th</sup> Mar	St Patrick's Day (Shamrocks wear a green accessory)
17-21 Mar	Neurodiversity Week
19/20 Mar	Eid ul Fitr
23-27 Mar	RE and Design Tech. Week
27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Last day of term (2pm finish)
5th Apr	Easter Sunday

## Themes:

This term in Reception, the children will be learning about Winter, exploring seasonal changes, weather, and how people, animals, and the environment are affected at this time of year. Through History, they will begin to understand the difference between the past and the present, using their own lives and familiar events to notice how things change over time. As part of My Future, children will be encouraged to talk about their hopes, interests, and the things they might like to do as they grow, helping them to develop confidence, curiosity, and an understanding of themselves and the wider world.



## Literacy

We will be using our phonics sessions and the texts *The Three Little Pigs* and *The very hungry caterpillar* to support:

- Hearing and recognising initial sounds
- Sequencing a familiar story
- Letter formation
- Name writing
- Hearing the sounds in a word and blending them together,
- Recognising red words

## Maths

- Measuring (Weight, height and size)
- Sorting 2D and 3d shapes
- Recognising 3D shapes and their properties
- Represent, order and explore numbers to ten.
- One more or fewer, one greater or less within ten.
- Days of the week, seasons
- Sequence daily events
- Explore addition as counting on and subtraction as taking away
- Counting and sharing in equal groups
- Grouping into fives and ten



In Character Curriculum, we will be learning about: Dreams and Goals and Healthy Me

In Spanish, we will be learning about:

- To increase understanding of simple commands.
- Song "Saco una mano"

In Art we will be learning about:

HOW CAN WE BUILD WORLDS?

The children will use cardboard boxes and other recyclable materials to create structures, props, books, mini worlds and insect hotels.



In PE, we will be learning about: Ball skills.. By learning how to play team games using lots of skills, We also look at our independent learning and how we can use different equipment to play different games. Next half term we will be developing our ball skills further.

## Resources

We are always keen for new resources if you are willing and able to donate any second hand items. We'd love to have anything that could brighten up our outdoor space! Please get in touch if you can help with any of the above. We are also in need of more clean and recycled materials for junk modelling so please collect and donate if you can. Thank you!

# Reception timetable

Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
08:45	Soft Start	Soft Start	Soft Start	Soft Start	Soft Start
08:55	Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration	Registration
09:00	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics
09:40	Child Initiated Learning	Child Initiated Learning	PE 9:40- 10:40	PE 9:40- 10:40	Child initiated Learning
10:40	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
10:55	Transition to learning	Transition to learning	Transition to learning	Transition to learning	Transition to learning
11:00	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths
12:00	Lunchtime	Lunchtime	Lunchtime	Lunchtime	Lunchtime
13:00	PSED: Health and Wellbeing Nelson Handwriting	PSED: Health and Wellbeing	PSED: Health and Wellbeing	PSED: Health and Wellbeing	PSED: Health and Wellbeing
13:30	Understanding The World	ART	Nelson Handwriting and Child initiated learning	Literacy	Character Curriculum
14:00		ART			
14:30		Child Initiated Learning			
15:00	Assembly	Phonics Sound Review	Phonics Sound Review	Phonics Sound review	Celebration Assembly
15:30	Dismissal	Dismissal	Dismissal	Dismissal	Dismissal