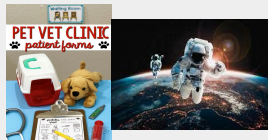


Reception: Summer 2023

Summer Term Topics



Minibeasts



Dinosaurs / Vets /
Space

The Reception Team

Miss Beka - Class Teacher

Miss Shen - Early Years Educator

Miss Femi - Learning Support Assistant

Miss Jacquie - Learning Support Assistant

Miss Tefani - Learning Support Assistant

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Miss Veronica & Miss Jamie - Learning Support Assistants

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 info@academy.thomas-s.co.uk

School Start Time

8:50am

School End Time

3:30pm

PE Day: **Wednesday**

Ballet: **Wednesday**

Art: **Wednesday**

Music: **Thursday**



Children should come dressed in their PE kit on **Wednesdays**.

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 for you to record comments about their reading in.



Your child will be given new reading books on a **Monday**. Your child will now receive one or two phonics books and one reading for pleasure book. Please do encourage the children to use their phonics and tricky word knowledge to read more independently.

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.

Dates for the diary

1st May Bank Holiday

2nd May Strike Action

4th May Coronation Celebrations

8th May Bank Holiday

9th - 12th May Yr 6 SATs week

25th & 26th May Reception Stay & Play (with Parents / Carers)

22nd June Sports Day

3rd July Reception Outdoor Learning Trip

21st July Last Day of Term (2pm finish)!

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.

In Reception our Understanding the World topics are fluid and do tend to change quickly as we follow the interests of the children however below is our current plan moving towards the end of Summer term. We currently have our role play area set up as a Minibeast Investigation Lab and will change it as the topics change.

In our **Minibeasts** topic we will be learning about:

- General facts about a range of minibeasts
- Looking at Non-fiction books about minibeasts
- Reading fiction stories about minibeasts eg. The Very Hungry Caterpillar, Grant the Ant, Spinderella, The Very Busy Spider
- Life cycles of different minibeasts eg. caterpillars, stick insects
- Observing real living caterpillars and stick insects



In our **Dinosaurs/Vets /Space topic weeks** we might explore the following:

- Different types of dinosaurs that lived.
- Exploring facts about dinosaurs
- Creating a dinosaur dig role play area
- How vets help our animals?
- How is this similar / different to a human hospital?
- How we can help to look after our animals?
- Why do animals need our help?
- Information and facts about Space and the Solar System
- All of the planets and what they are called.
- Facts about the different planets
- Who are astronauts? How do they prepare for Space and travel there? How do astronauts survive in Space?
- Explore Non-fiction books and stories about Space



Role Play 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 a telephone, laptop, old mobile phones and extra dress up clothes for our role play area. 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!

Literacy

- How to read simple sentences using sound-blending
- How to write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others
- Understanding stories and new vocabulary
- Letter formation
- Reading and writing tricky sight words "red words"
- Making books, telling and writing our own stories
- Writing simple instructions

Maths

- Describing 2D and 3D shapes
- Explore addition and subtraction
- Recall number bonds to 5 and 10
- Halving and doubling
- Explore capacity, volume, weight and length
- Explore numbers within 20 and beyond

In **Character Curriculum**, we will be learning about:

Relationships and Changing Me

In **PE**, we will be learning about:

- Fundamental movements
- Sports day prep (22nd of June)

In **Spanish**, we will be learning about:

- Giving commands
- Asking for water or to go to the toilet
- Learning a 'tidy up' song in Spanish

In **Art** we will be learning about:

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