

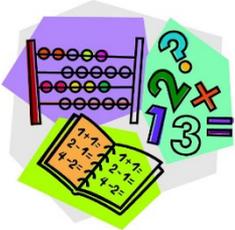
Reception Class Newsletter



Hello and welcome to Reception class. The children have begun to settle in beautifully and we are delighted to finally meet you all. This term our main objective is to ensure that your child feels happy, safe and secure at St Mary's. I am also compiling individual assessments for each child and there will be an opportunity for you to see these later this term.



Our Big Question this term asks "Who is all aboard...?" This invites our new reception children to 'come on board' and begin their learning journey at St. Mary's through a pirate theme and explore healthy eating, senses, our bodies and how we have changed since birth.



In Maths we will be practicing counting fingers, objects and along a numberline and matching items up to 10. Each term Children will need to memorise some number facts. We call these facts 'Learn-its'. Our 'Learn-its' this term are $1+1=2$ and $2+2=4$. Children will need to say one more than each number up to 10.



Our PE days are Monday and Tuesday. All PE Activities will take place outside and we will only remove ties and change into pumps for this first term.



We will begin to send reading books home next week and more information about the teaching of phonics and reading will follow.



Due to the COVID restrictions we are finding creative ways for your child to see their buddy in a safe, socially distanced way. We will also hold a welcome assembly for the new children which will mean a new style of virtual communication with parents. More details will follow.



Finally, I would like to thank you for observing the social distancing rules and for your patience whilst we are learning every child's name and matching them to the appropriate adult! If you ever have any worries or concerns (no matter how big or small) please do not hesitate to come and ask. We look forward to a fabulous first year at St. Mary's.

Miss Zylko.