

Reception
Class information
2023-2024
Advent term 1



St Patrick's Catholic
Primary School.

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Staff working in reception

In reception the class teacher is Mrs Newton-Hewlett supported by Mrs Bointon and Mrs Robinson. Teaching in Nursery is Miss Morley.

What to bring to school

- A water bottle
- Snack – a piece of fruit
- PE Tuesday – Please send your child to school in PE kit and with their uniform in a bag to change into after the morning lesson.

Lunch

If your child is having a school lunch please order via Arbour. The menu for the term is available to view. Lunches **must** be ordered before midnight the night before. Please discuss this with your child so they are aware of the option you have chosen. If your child is having a sandwich from home please also notify us of this on Arbour.

What we will be doing this half term

English	Maths	RE
What makes me a me? Along came Erik My body Paper dolls Peace at last Harvest Big smelly bear	Matching, sorting and comparing Numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 One more, one less Time	Myself Welcome

As part of our Myself topic we will be sharing our Family Box from week commencing 11th September onwards. This will involve each child bringing home the box and choosing some objects to celebrate their family. Thank you for taking the time to discuss this at home with your child and we look forward to hearing about the items they have chosen to share. Some examples will be included.

Reading

From w/c 11th September your child will bring home a school library book for you to enjoy together. Please return the reading wallet each day and we will change the library book if the reading diary is completed.

During the first term we start our reading sessions and allocate reading books. We read three times a week with the children in class. The book allocated is linked to the phonics sounds the children know. We also send home the reading book from the reading sessions. Please ensure that reading wallets are returned to school every day for the reading we do in class as we do not have any additional copies.

The three sessions are as follows

De – coding , Prosody, Comprehension

These sessions are explained in the cover of each book.

Please update your child's reading diary every day noting the reading completed. Reading each day is so important to develop so many skills; including language, comprehension and writing.

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Key Events for Reception

Event	Date and time	Parents invited?
Roald Dahl Day	Wednesday 13 th September	No
EYFS stay and play	Thursday 14 th September	Yes
Open classroom	Thursday 14 th September 3.30-4.00	Yes
International Day of Peace	Thursday 21 st September	No
Open evening	Monday 25 th September 5.00- 5.30pm	Yes
EYFS drop everything and read	Tuesday 26 th September	Yes
European day of languages	Tuesday 26 th September	No
Open morning for Reception starters 2024	Monday 2 nd October 9.30 until 10.00	Yes
Library visitor	Tuesday 3 rd October	No
Phonics workshop	Thursday 12 th October 3.30 until 4.00	Yes
Parents evening	Thursday 19 th October 3.30	Yes

Enrichment events we are planning later in the year include

- Living Eggs – we hatch the eggs in school and look after the newborn chicks – Cost approximately £7.00 each
- Visit to school from Whitepost Farm - Cost approximately £4.50 each
- Family fun day at Wheelgate – Cost approximately £15 each

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Class Timetable

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.30-8.50	Fine motor and self-register	Fine motor and self-register	Fine motor and self-register	Fine motor and self-register	Fine motor and self-register
8.50-8.55	Collective	Prayers	Prayers	Prayers	Prayers
8.55-9.15	Worship	PE	English	English	RE
9.15-10.00	Continuous provision Reading groups	Continuous provision Reading groups	Continuous provision Reading groups	Continuous provision Reading groups	Continuous provision Reading groups
10.00-10.20	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics
10.20 – 10.35	Break outside	Break outside	Break outside	Break outside	Break outside
10.35 - 11.15	Continuous provision Reading groups	Continuous provision Reading groups	Continuous provision Reading groups	Continuous provision Reading groups	Continuous provision Reading groups
11.15 – 11.25	English	Singing and Nursery rhymes	Singing and Nursery rhymes	Singing and Nursery rhymes	Singing and Nursery rhymes
11.25 – 11.30	Tidy up for lunch	Tidy up for lunch	Tidy up for lunch	Tidy up for lunch	Tidy up for lunch
11.30-12.30	Lunch time	Lunch time	Lunch time	Lunch time	Lunch time
12.30-12.45	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Music 12.30-1.00
12.45- 1.45	Continuous Provision (Keep up phonics and reading groups)	Continuous Provision (Keep up phonics and reading groups)	Continuous Provision (Keep up phonics and reading groups)	Continuous Provision (Keep up phonics and reading groups)	Continuous Provision (Keep up phonics and reading groups)
1.45-2.00	Understanding the world	English	RSHE	PSHE	Maths
2.00-2.15	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
2.15-3.00	Continuous Provision (Keep up phonics and reading groups)	Continuous Provision (Keep up phonics and reading groups)	Continuous Provision (Keep up phonics and reading groups)	Continuous provision (Keep up phonics and reading groups)	Continuous Provision Class based worship
3.00-3.05	Tidy and bags	Tidy and bags	Tidy and bags	Tidy and bags	Tidy and bags
3.05-3.15	Story Time	Story Time	Story Time	Story Time	Story Time

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Seesaw

We will no longer be using Seesaw to share photos and information regarding your child. Instead you will soon be receiving login details for dojo. This will only be used for sharing of photos and academic achievements and will not be used for messaging staff in school. The same communication methods of the school office or class email address should be used.

Volunteers

If you would like to join us as a reading volunteer in school please contact the office, who will then arrange a DBS check prior to you starting our reading journey with us.

We also have a wonderful PTA group that are always wanting to welcome new volunteers. Contact the office for further information.

Communication

To communicate a child's absence please phone or email office@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk

Just a reminder that we start the school day between 8.30 and 8.40 and finish at 3.20 using the Ling Forest Road entrance. The gates to Reception will be locked at 8.45. After this time please report to the school reception.

As parents, you are the first educators of your child and at the school we recognise that the partnership between home and school is fundamental to your child's success. School staff are always happy to speak to parents during the week before or after school. Please arrange contact via the office or using the class email.

The class email address is F2@st-patricksrc.notts.sch.uk