

Reception Newsletter

Autumn Term 2



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to build our future

Dear Parents / Carers:

We hope you have had a restful break. We have a very exciting term planned ahead with lots going on. The children have settled in very well and they understand the rules and routines set in place.

This half term the children will have fun and exciting learning opportunities linked to our whole school topic 'Special People and Special Places.' We will be specifically thinking about 'Who can help us?'

We will continue to use the outdoor environment as an extension of the classroom and during independent learning time the door is always open so the children can freely access outdoors in all types of weather. Please provide your child with appropriate clothing for wet and cold weather play. It is important that you label all items of clothing, clearly with your child's full name and their class name. This helps to return any lost items back to you if found.

Home Learning:

Reading: The children will continue to take home story books and library books each week. We encourage families to read with their child every day and make a comment in their Reading Record once a week.

Your child also has access to Oxford Reading Buddy where they can access a variety of online story books. You can find their login details in the back of their Reading Record.

In addition, you could use the Oxford Owl website which has a number of free e-readers you could share together:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

Phonics, maths and curriculum home learning tasks are uploaded to Tapestry each week.

If you have any further questions then please talk to your class teacher.

The Reception Team

Egypt:

Miss Kirsty Tucker
Mrs Jaswint Kaur

Cameroon:

Mrs Rejwana Begum
Mrs Assunta Di-Crosta-
Low

Morocco:

Mrs Kolsuma Chadni
Miss Aaliyah Chaudhry

Tanzania:

Mrs Sadia Shah
Mrs Salma Bosor

Classroom Practitioner:

Mrs Rehana Ahmed
Mrs Yasmin Begum

Year Group Leader:

Miss Kirsty Tucker

Assistant Head Teacher & EYFS Phase Leader:

Ms Stefanie Reay

If you have any
questions or concerns,
please contact the
school office or email
your queries to
[info@brampton.newham
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Key Dates for this term

Post Box Visit: 1:30pm – 2:00pm
Morocco – Monday 20th November
Egypt – Tuesday 21st November
Cameroon – Wednesday 22nd November
Tanzania – Thursday 23rd November

East Ham Fire Station Visit - TBC

People Who Help Us Inspiration Day

Monday 13th November
Pupils can come to school dressed as a person who helps us e.g. doctor, vet, teacher, builder, crossing patrol.

Nativity Assemblies

Egypt – Thursday 14th December at 9:30am
Tanzania - Thursday 14th December at 2:15pm
Morocco - Friday 15th December at 9:30am
Cameroon – Friday 15th December at 2:15pm

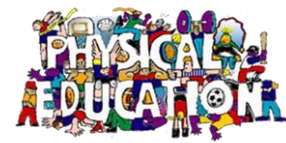
PE Days

Reception have PE every Tuesday.

Children should come to school **wearing their PE kits.**

Inside PE: School blue T-shirt with logo, black shorts/jogging bottoms and plimsolls

Outside PE: School blue T-shirt with logo, black shorts/jogging bottoms and trainers



Curriculum

This term's topics: Special People and Special Places – Who can help us?

Literacy - We will be continuing to read environmental print, recognising and writing our own name. There will be a focus on daily phonics activities where the children will continue to identify sounds in words and how to segment and blend them independently.

Maths – We will be exploring numbers to 10, discussing the composition of these numbers and accurately counting different amounts in a range of fun and exciting ways. We will also be subitising, looking at one more and one less and comparing equal and unequal groups.

Communication and Language - We will be developing our speaking and listening skills including encouraging the children to develop their questioning skills to find out about something they are interested in or in response to what someone had said.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development – We will be discussing the characteristics of people who can help us and what qualities they may have. We will also continue to follow routines and build relationships with both adults and peers. During our Jigsaw PSHE sessions we will be discussing how everyone is different and how we can be kind to one another, exploring the topic *Celebrating Difference*. The PSHE books that will be used in the PSHE lessons this half-term are *Barry the Fish with Fingers* by Sue Hendra, *It's OK to Be Different* by Todd Parr and *The Family Book* by Todd Parr.

Physical Development - We will be continuing to develop our fine and gross motor skills indoors, outdoors and during PE sessions. We will continue to focus on developing shoulder and finger strength and dexterity in order to be able to hold a pencil and form letters correctly.

Expressive Arts and Design – We will have opportunities to paint, draw and use play dough. We will be designing, cutting, sticking and mixing colours. We will develop our musical creativity, exploring sounds different musical instruments make and learning the songs and actions for our Nativity performance.

Understanding the World – The children will be learning about a variety of cultures and religions by finding out about their celebrations, special stories and aspects of their identity and relationships. For example, Diwali, Guru Nanak's birthday and Christmas.