

# Reception Class Newsletter

Peridot Class Teacher - Miss Mace  
Emerald Class Teacher - Mr Sonnex  
Teaching Assistants - Miss Honey, Miss Woolston  
and Mrs Ehrlich

## Curriculum information

Our topic in term 5 is 'Our favourite stories'



This term our topic is 'Our favourite stories'. Each week we will choose a different story to focus on, starting with Jack and the Beanstalk. The children will be planting beans and lots of other seeds for our garden. We look forward to seeing the changes over time and finding out what plants need to grow.

In **Maths** this term, we will be recapping addition and subtraction, whilst using a variety of representations, beginning to introduce the concept of sharing objects (division) and introducing money. We will be learning to recognise different coins and choosing the correct ones to pay with.

In **Literacy**, we will be reading lots of different stories and traditional tales. We will be predicting how stories might end, using puppets to retell stories, writing instructions and labelling maps.

In **Phonics**, the children will be continuing to either recap phase 2 or 3. We will be writing simple sentences but focussing on correctly using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces. Additionally, we will be recognising and writing tricky words, correctly and independently, within sentences.

### Stay and Play

We will be inviting parents/carers in on **Friday 17th May**, which will be for an hour, with a focus on writing.

### Home learning

Create a project about your favourite story. This can include; creating your own book, artwork/illustrations, book review, puppets etc.

**Please add photos of your bean growing onto Tapestry.**

### P.E is on Friday

Please could you ensure your child has their P.E kit in school within the first week of school.

**Please remove earrings on these days.**



### Reading books

Please continue to listen to your child read. Thank you to those who have been listening to their child read. Please continue to write in your child's yellow reader book so we can keep track of how often your child reads. This also adds to whether your child gains their **Reading Leaf**.

Your child's book needs to be in everyday and it will be changed Monday and Thursday.

*Don't forget about using **Swap Shop** or **Sittingbourne Library**.*

### Tapestry Online Learning Journal.



Tapestry has been a great way to see your child's progression. Please continue to upload observations, especially when your child is a focus child.

If you have not yet logged on please have a look. If you need support in uploading images, please ask Miss Mace or Mr Sonnex for help.

### How can you help at home?

Please support your child to continue to practise writing their name in cursive.

-Practising recognising and writing letter sounds and tricky words e.g. the, and, I, no, go, to, the, into, me, he, be, she, they, her, are, was, you, all, my.

-Blending sounds already learnt to make words e.g. c-a-t, p-e-g

-Practising counting and recognising numbers to 20.

-Using a variety of representations of addition and subtraction e.g. part part whole, bar model etc.

-Using scissors.

-Getting dressed and undressed.

-Recognising 2D and 3D shapes and their properties.

-Exploring changes in the environment e.g. how do plants grow and what they need.

### Letters and money

Please hand any money or letters to the Class teacher at the door. Additionally, please make sure these are in named envelopes to avoid confusion and loss of money.

If you have misplaced any letters please ask for new ones.

### Water bottles

Please could you ensure that your child brings a named drink bottle to school each day, to have in the classroom. **This should contain water only, no juice or squash please.**



### Clothing

Please make sure all items of your child's clothing has their name on it.

As the weather is getting warmer your child may bring in a hat. Please ensure these are clearly named. Sun cream can be worn but this must be applied before school. Thank you in advance.