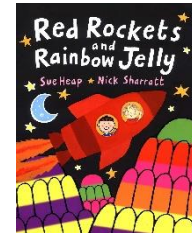
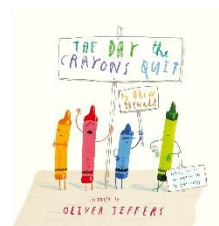
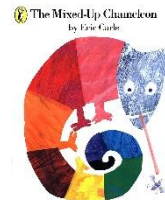
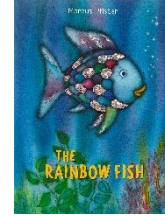
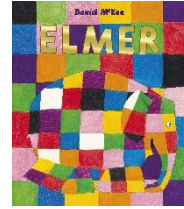


Colour Magic

Each half term our learning is based around a topic, with high quality books supporting learning.

This half term our topic will be based around colour! We will reading and completing activities based around the books: Elmer. The Rainbow Fish, The Mixed Up Chameleon, Red Rockets and Rainbow Jelly and The Day the Crayons Quit.



Starting School

The children have settled into school life wonderfully, and we are all so very proud of them.

During their first week in Reception, they have started to learn the routines of the classroom, begin to start some carpet time learning and had lots of time to explore the environment with learning opportunities set up around the room.

Over the next few weeks, children will continue to become familiar with the routines, and engage in lots more learning opportunities, including starting phonics, maths and topic lessons.



Our Learning

Over this half term we will be doing lots of different activities based around all areas of learning. Here is some of the learning we will be doing:

Literacy – Name writing, letter formation, identifying and writing initial sounds and learning our phonic sounds.

Maths – Counting and matching numbers, recognising numbers and introducing subitising.

Understanding the World – Exploring different animals and how to care for them.

Art and Design – Exploring colours and mixing using paint, experience printing and different materials.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development – Discussion around children's likes and dislikes and building up friendships.

Homework



Children in Reception will bring home some homework on a Friday. This will include a home learning folder with flashcards for phonics and maths, and a talking activity. There is an explanation sheet in the front of the homework book for your reference.

Home Learning

Home learning has lots of benefits, and it gives children an opportunity to share all of their learning and knowledge with you.

We love hearing all about the different activities you do at home. Here are some ideas for you to try at home, that are linked to our topic all about colour!

- Go on a colour hunt around your house.
- Paint a picture and mix some colours to see what you can make.
- Sort colours into groups – try and name all of the colours.
- Go on a walk outside and see how many different colours you can see in the environment. How many different coloured cars can you see?
- Sing lots of nursery rhymes, including I Can Sing a Rainbow.



Colder Weather

As we are now experiencing some colder – and wetter! – weather, please make sure children are coming to school with a waterproof coat and a hat and gloves when necessary.



As part of our learning, children have access to our outdoor area throughout the whole day to experience different learning opportunities, therefore will need the appropriate clothing to make sure they are still warm.



Activities

Cbeebies have a new show called 'Colourblocks'. They talk about all the different colours and look at what happens when colours mix.



www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/colourblocks

On their website there are lots of activities and games for the children to play, as well as clips for them to watch.



Reading Books

Children will be bringing home a book bag with a book to share with you.

This is a picture book they have chosen, and for you to read them to you.

These will be changed each week when they have been read, so please make sure you write a comment to let us know it has been read. There are some activity ideas in the front of the reading journal for your reference.

