

Reception Summer 1 Newsletter



Where In The World?

This Half Term our topic is 'Where In The World?' It is a great topic and a firm favourite with the children. We kick started the topic with a runaway Gingerbread man who sent us a video message from somewhere in the world.

Our job over the coming weeks will be to try and track him down and find out where he is! We are hoping he might send us some clues each week to help us work out where he could be.

Throughout the hunt for the Gingerbread man we will be exploring lots of books as always, and using these as the focus for our learning. This will include a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. This topic provides us with lots of learning opportunities across the whole curriculum.

In Literacy we will be focusing on using our phonics and everyday words to continue to write short sentences in meaningful contexts. This could range from writing a short letter, making a world fact file or creating a postcard. We will also be looking at rhyming words.

In maths we will explore doubling, counting in 2's, counting backwards and ordering numbers to at least 20.

In phonics we will be beginning to look at sounds that can be spelled in different ways. We will look at the ay sound (ay, ai, a-e and ea), ee (ee, ey, e-e, e), ie (ie, igh, y) and oa (oa, ow, oe). If you have any questions about phonics, please ask.

We will also be exploring DT projects using a range of materials and will be listening to music and looking at artists from different places around the world. We are also hoping to taste some different foods from the places the Gingerbread man visits on his adventure.



If you have any traditional stories that we could share with the children please bring them in.

Also, if you have any photos of your child or your family taken in other countries please email them to Sharon or Chris. We have had some wonderful conversations with the children, and would love to use some photos to start group discussions.

Sunny Weather

As the warm weather sets in please ensure your child has a water bottle at school every day as we will be encouraging them to keep themselves hydrated. This is an important part of your child's development. Please ensure your child is protected from the sun by sending them in with a sunhat and by applying sun cream before school (You can now purchase sun creams that last 8 hours.) They can also bring a sun cream in if they can apply it themselves.

Important dates:

Monday 1st May—Bank Holiday—School Closed.

Monday 8th May – Bank Holiday-
School Closed.

Wednesday 17th May - School Photos

Friday 26th May – Break up for
Half term

As always, thank you for your support and if you have any questions please ask.

Many thanks

The Reception team

