

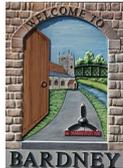
BARDNEY CE & METHODIST PRIMARY SCHOOL
Reception Newsletter

January 2018

Curriculum Overview

Welcome back! We hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year.

This term our reception topic is 'Countries and places'. We will be learning about features of our local area and comparing these to other countries. We will also be learning how to say hello in other languages.



Phonics

We are continuing with the 3rd phase of our phonics programme which sees the sounds getting a little trickier. This includes sounds such as 'ee', 'oo', 'ai', 'oa' and 'igh'. Using the phonics books from the classroom will really help consolidate this learning at home. Although we have moved to a new phase it is important for the children to still practise recognising the alphabet sounds.



Numeracy

This term we will be learning about measures, such as length, height, capacity and weight and how we can measure these using non-standard units. We will also be securing our knowledge of numbers up to 10.



PE

PE will continue to be on a **Friday** with Mr Rose and this term we will be doing gymnastics. Please ensure your child has their P.E kit each week, which is clearly labelled with their name.



Home Learning

We were very impressed with some of the children's home learning from our last term's topic about 'dinosaurs'. Thank you for supporting your children with their learning at home.

This half term we would like the children to create something relating to our topic of 'countries and places'. We would love it if children could bring in information about any places that they have been, for example a park, a shop, even their home or countries that they have visited. We will be adding this information to our class 'world map' display. This could be a photograph, a postcard, an information sheet or a painting. We like to keep the options varied so the children can complete whatever they like! Topic homework can be completed and brought to school any time before February half term.



Writing

Now that the children are becoming more confident in their phonics sessions we will be having more of a focus on writing. If your child does any writing at home we would love to see it! At this stage we do not worry about spellings being correct, it is much better if the letters are correctly formed and the children try to spell words as they sound to support their phonic knowledge.



Reading

Thank you for your ongoing support with helping your child to read at home. If your child reads at home with you, please write in their blue reading record book as every time you do this, your child will receive a house point on their signature card.

If you have any questions or queries, please come and see us at any time. Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Lambert and Mrs Ruane.