

# Reception Newsletter

## Autumn Term



### Magical Me



#### Welcome!

We are excited to start school with your children and are looking forward to a brilliant year together. If you have any queries or concerns, you are more than welcome to make an appointment or catch your class teacher at the end of the school day. We are always happy to help.

Thank you,  
Miss Fifita and Mr Avgerinos

#### Maths

This term our main focus will be: extending our recognition of numbers, recording numbers using correct formation, ordering numbers and problem solving. We will be counting, and using manipulatives, number lines and 100 squares to support this. In addition we will be learning about 2D shapes, positional language and language related to time.

#### Reading Books

Reading books will be sent home on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. Discussing and re-reading the texts are a great way to develop your child's comprehension and fluency when reading.

Please keep us informed about your child's reading by writing in their reading log.

#### Our Topic Magical Me

This half term we will be focussing on the topic 'Magical Me'. Within this unit we will explore the children's interests, families and unique qualities that make them special, as well as how to look after ourselves and our bodies.

We will be encouraging the children to share their feelings, opinions, interests and ideas. You can support your child further by discussing:

- Family photographs
- How they are feeling
- Different parts of their body
- Their favourite food/toy

#### Snapshot

P.E. bags can be kept at school. Please ensure all items of clothing including P.E. kits are labelled.

**Angelfish P.E: Wednesdays**  
**Fireflies P.E: Thursdays**

Catering for the lunches is organised on a termly basis, so if your child is bringing packed lunches, please ensure they do so until the half term.

#### English

In Literacy, we will be looking at books related to our half termly topic 'Magical Me'. These include texts such as 'The Rainbow Fish' and 'So Much'.

In phonics we will be following the 'Letters and Sounds' programme and teaching in small groups to extend your child's reading and writing skills.

You will receive a fortnightly letter detailing the sounds and tricky words your child has been learning in phonics lessons and useful tips on how to support them at home.

#### How you can help

We will send home 'Wow' cards. This is a great opportunity to celebrate your child's home achievements with their class. These could be trying new food, persevering with a task or zipping up their coat for the first time. Please complete and return to school as we want to celebrate your child's achievements.