



April 2026

## Reception Newsletter

### Summer Term 1



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the first half of summer term. We can't believe how fast the year is going!

#### **Reception Staff**

A reminder that the Reception teachers are Mrs Goldsmith (Hedgehogs) and Miss Hole (Foxes). Our Full time Teaching Assistant is Mrs Whitelock and a number of other staff support across the week.

#### **Key Dates and timings this term**

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Break up for half term  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June - School reopens  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June - Reception Sports Day  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June - Reception visit to Hardwick park  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July - Last day of the academic year

Please see parent mail messages for ongoing information and updates. Further details regarding all the above events will be shared with you.

#### **Labelling**

Please can we ask that all clothing and items are clearly labelled. It's much easier to find missing jumpers and avoid mixing up water bottles if everything has your child's name on.

#### **Drinks bottles**

All children require a drinks bottle for classroom use. This should contain water or sugar free juice. Again, please can bottles be named in order to avoid any confusion.

#### **Sun cream**

Fingers crossed for warmer and sunnier weather this half term. Children can bring in labelled sun cream in their bags to apply under supervision as needed.

#### **Learning focus for Summer Term**

Over Summer term, our learning will be based on the theme 'World of Books'. Over this half of the term we will be exploring many themes including plants, space, dinosaurs, pirates and princesses. Further information on our curriculum including more detail on what and how we learn, can be found on our school [website](#).

### **Our Key Books this Half term**

Our key books this half term are; Look Up, Aliens love Underpants, Dinosaurs and all that Rubbish, non-fiction dinosaur books, The Pirates Next Door, The Princess and the Pea, The Princess and the Wizard.

### **Further School Information**

For further information on our curriculum, school policies and procedures (including term dates), please click on the link to our school [website](#).

We are looking forward to a fantastic Summer term in Whinstone Reception!