



4 November 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reception Weekly Information – w/b 4.11.24

Parent/ Carer Teacher Consultations (PCTCs)

...are on Wednesday 6.11.24 and Thursday 14.11.24 for families who have booked. Please do not bring any children to school for these.

Show and Tell

Starting this week! **Red** group will have their turn first on Friday 8.11.24. See details below.

Please make sure all of your child's belongings are named clearly.

We hope you had a fun and relaxing half term break. We are all looking forward to the second half of term, which promises to be full of exciting learning opportunities for the children in Reception.

Parent/Carer Teacher Consultations (PCTCs)

We look forward to seeing you at the Parent/Carer and Teacher Consultations at school this week or next. This is a chance to have a conversation with your child's teacher about how they have settled into Reception, the progress they have made so far and how you can support them with their learning and development. The children's books and folders will be available in the classrooms for you to look at before or after your appointment in the Studio, which is just down the corridor from the Reception classrooms.

As mentioned in the [letter](#), no children, including siblings, will be allowed to come into school for Parent/Carer and Teacher Consultations. We do not have capacity to care for children during the adults only appointments – many parents help each other out with reciprocal arrangements for child care. In addition, if your child attends Sunset please note that the dismissal arrangements remain the same as normal.

Reading at home

You will have received a pack in your child's book bag containing some resources for you to use to help your child at home. Home practice plays a vital role in supporting children to grow their love of reading and to enable them to become confident readers throughout their school lives. As they embark on their reading journey in Reception your help and support is invaluable. Depending on how your child is progressing with their reading their pack may include one of the following:

- A card with some '[Fred Games](#)' to play
- A sound blending book with single words to read
- A read at home 'ditty' card
- A Read Write Inc story book

Your child will be given new material each week, which is tailored to meet their needs at this time, so it is imperative that the entire pack is kept in their book bag. This enables us to ensure that every child has what they need.

You will find instructions in your pack but if you have any questions please contact us via the email address parents@stamford-green.surrey.co.uk

Celebrations

In the coming weeks and months we will be learning about some of the different things that people celebrate. As part of this we would love to hear about your family's special faith and cultural celebrations. If you celebrated Diwali during half term and you have some photos or items that you could share for us to look at please email your child's teacher using the parents@ email. We would love to hear from your child about what this special occasion means to your family and how they celebrated.



Looking to the future, we would also love to hear about the other festivals that our families celebrate throughout the year – if you could talk to us about Eid, Hanukkah, Ramadan, Lunar New Year, Easter, Orthodox Christmas or any other religious or cultural celebration that is important to you and your family please email to tell us about it so that we can make a plan for you to visit around that time.

Learning Question of the week: Why do people celebrate Bonfire Night?

In anticipation of our annual PTA Fireworks event this Friday and Bonfire night, our learning focus this week will be around this celebration. We will be talking about what fireworks are, describing them and representing them in different ways. We will think about why we might see fireworks at this time of the year and how to stay safe near fireworks.

From our Early Years curriculum the skills we will focus on this week are:

- Read all RWI Set 1 sounds
- Write the letters when I hear the sound.
- Recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways.
- Use scissors to cut in straight lines, either to cut out shapes or make fringes.
- Recognise and write numerals 0 – 10
- Begin to mix primary colours to make secondary colours.
- Use talk to work out problems or organise activities with others.
- Use a pedal vehicle that doesn't require balance eg bike with stabilisers/trike etc
- Follow instructions with two parts without further prompting.

Phonics

Thank you for all of your support at home with helping your child to learn their sounds. This will enable them to feel confident as they move on in their reading journey. We have now introduced all of the single letter sounds. If your child is not confident with all of these, please continue to practice daily. If they are missing lots of sounds, it can feel overwhelming for them to practice. Please start with the few that they already know confidently and then add one at a time. When they know the new one, add another. Perhaps you could stick post-it notes up around the house with the sound you are practicing and say it every time you see it? For more ideas please contact your child's teacher.

They can continue practicing blending sounds to make words by playing this 'Fred Game'

<http://tiny.cc/k0zrz>

Your child can practise 'b' by watching Ellie and Fred:

<http://tiny.cc/s0zrz>

Your child can practise 'd' by watching Ellie and Fred:

<http://tiny.cc/01zrz>

Reading

This week we are practicing reading cvc words and matching them to pictures. If you come across words you think your child could have a go at reading when you are out and about or in books at home, give them the challenge!



Concept Word

This week's concept word is: **Early**



Help at home: use the word **early** when waking children and as they get ready for school. They want to be **early** at school.

Maths

In maths we will be focusing on the number **7**. Understanding of numbers is much deeper than just being able to say the numbers in order and recognise the digits. We investigate the number of the week from many perspectives to develop an understanding of what each number means and where it sits in comparison to the other numbers. We consider which numbers are parts that make the number 7 and where we see and use number 7 in everyday life.

Can you spot it?

Parts and Wholes

One more:

How many will we have with **one more**?

One more than 7 is 8

A good way to support your child with developing their concept of number, is through 'track' games such as snakes and ladders or other games where the participants throw a dice and move along the track a certain number of spaces. These also challenge children to recognise the amounts on the dice on-sight (without counting); to learn about taking turns; and about winning and losing with grace.

Show and Tell: Families

Show and Tell will begin to happen on Fridays starting with the theme of family. This week, Friday 8 November the **RED** group from each class will have their turn. Show and tell is an opportunity for each child to share something special with their class practicing their speaking skills. The rest of the class practise their listening skills and have the chance to ask questions too.

Theme: Family

Your child might want to share a picture or drawing of their family to talk about. Photos can be emailed to parents@stamford-green.surrey.sch.uk and should be labelled with your child's name and class in the subject bar. Please could we ask that children don't bring in anything precious/irreplaceable. The other groups will have their turns to show and tell as the term goes on – so only the named group should bring their show and tell next week.

We hope you have a lovely week,

Mrs Ball, Miss Poole and Mrs Price



For your calendar:

Second Hand Uniform

Please could you send in any uniform - branded items, skirts/pinafores, shorts and trousers on Monday 11 November before or after school.

We are then looking for volunteers to come into school on the evening of Monday 11 November (7.00pm - 9.00pm) to help sort the uniform and take a bag home to wash. We will then be able to store this at school ready for the next sale.

If you can help us please contact:
ptastamfordgreen@gmail.com

Odd Socks Tuesday 12.11.24

YR – Y6 Wear odd socks (with your uniform) to school day – Anti Bullying Week initiative



Coming up soon:

November		
Monday 4.11.24	8.35am	School and Nursery opens for YN – Y6
Tuesday 5.11.24	9.15am – 10.15am	Prospective families Open Morning – School and Nursery - please book via our website.
Wednesday 6.11.24	8.40am – 9.40am	Nursery Family Breakfast
Wednesday 6.11.24	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parent/Carer and Teacher Consultations (PCTC) at school
Thursday 7.11.24	9.00am – 10.00am	Coffee morning for families whose children have a Special Educational Need or Disability (SEND)
Thursday 7.11.24	-	YR – Y6 Flu immunisations
Friday 8.11.24	8.40am – 9.40am	Nursery Family Breakfast – more information to follow
Friday 8.11.24	Gates open at 5.00pm Display starts at 6.30pm	PTA Fireworks evening
Monday 11.11.24	Late return to school	Y6 Visit Tate Britain and Houses of Parliament
Monday 11.11.24	Before school and after school	Second hand uniform donations day
Monday 11.11.24	7.00pm – 9.00pm	PTA Volunteers to sort second hand uniform
Tuesday 12.11.24	All day	YR – Y6 Wear odd socks (with your uniform) to school day – Anti Bullying Week initiative
Tuesday 12.11.24	am	Y5 Space Dome experience at school
Tuesday 12.11.24	Morning	1S to visit Epsom
Wednesday 13.11.24	8.45am – 9.45am	PTA Class Reps Coffee Morning with Mrs Druce – Agenda: Events Debrief and Christmas

Wednesday 13.11.24	All day	Y3 Stone Age Workshop
Wednesday 13.11.24	Morning	1BH to visit Epsom
Thursday 14.11.24	Morning	1H visit to Epsom
Thursday 14.11.24	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parent/Carer and Teacher Consultations (PCTC) at school

Reminders for you:

YN – Y6 Parent/Carer and Teacher Consultations (PCTC) at school

Please can we kindly remind you that if you are attending a PCTC at school, children cannot accompany you to the meeting.

Thursday 7.11.24 9.00am – 10.00am

Coffee Morning for families whose children have a Special Educational Need or Disability.

Flu Immunisations YR - Y6

A reminder that children will have their flu vaccines at school on Thursday 7.11.24.

The portal for bookings is now closed.

Individual and sibling photos

If you would still like to order a school photo or have misplaced your order form, please click on this link <https://ordermyphotos.co.uk/proofs?eventcode=178289> and complete your child's information to view their photos and place the order.