

Reception Class Newsletter



9th January 2026

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back to the second term in school. We hope you had a happy and peaceful Christmas.

With the colder temperatures this week staff have been ensuring all children are wrapped up during outdoor provision. Some children are able to be completely independent yet some are still needing help with zips, buttons, gloves etc. Please at home encourage your child to be as independent as possible when un/dressing. At lunchtime for those children who have a school dinner the children are encouraged to use a knife and fork independently so again if possible at home if this can be supported with too. Within the **Physical Development** section of the **EYFS Curriculum** it states **Children in Reception will be learning to develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of small tools competently, safely and confidently. Suggested tools: pencils for drawing and writing, paintbrushes, scissors, knives, forks and spoons.**

Staff training towards the end of the autumn term included updates on sensory processing and supporting children with allergies and epilepsy.

Within **Understanding the World** over the next half-term the children will be learning how to draw information from a simple map. If you have any unused maps at home we could have a look at please send them into school.

In RE the children will be listening to the stories Jesus heard and also stories Jesus told. Thinking about why did Jesus tell stories will also be a focus. This follows on from Christians celebrating the time Jesus was born each year at Christmas.



Due to the children's excellent behaviour at Croxteth Farm before Christmas another visit will be planned for the end of the spring term. I wonder where it will be?

Many thanks for your continued support,
Reception Staff