



# Windermere Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Reception. We are really looking forward to welcoming you all. We have an amazing year ahead, packed with lots of exciting learning. Below is information on all of the learning and topics that will be covered in the Autumn term.

For Autumn Term 1 our overall topic is 'Marvelous Me!' We will be exploring what makes us special and unique in our world.

## **Communication, Language and Literacy:**

To develop communication, language and literacy we will be using the following texts:

Meesha makes friends

Going to school

Sam's first day

You can!

Super Duper you

All are welcome

Kippers Birthday

Faces

The main focus for writing will be practising name writing and labelling work using initial sounds. For phonics, the children will be starting Phase 2, starting with S, A, T, P, I, N.

## **Mathematics**

Count up to three or four objects by saying one number name for each item.

Count actions or objects which cannot be moved.

Count objects to 10, and beginning to count beyond 10.

Count out up to six objects from a larger group.

Select the correct numeral to represent 1 to 5, then 1 to 10 objects.

Count an irregular arrangement of up to ten objects.

## **Physical Development**

Each day the children will be participating in Busy Finger activities to develop their fine motor skills.

In PE we will develop listening to instructions, finding a space and using the body to move in different ways and introducing ball skills such as rolling, bouncing and pushing

## **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**

In PSHE we will be looking at the following themes:

**Who...Me!**



**How Am I feeling Today?**

**Being at School**

**Gentle Hands**

**Our rights**

**Our responsibilities**

**Expressive Arts and Design**

Our role play areas for this term is 'Home Corner'.

For music, the focus will be singing, rhythm games, hand percussion and to copy back singing and rhythm patterns

For art and design, the children will use a variety of media and techniques to explore colours and colour mixing.

**Reminders**

PE- Thursday morning. Children will get changed in school. They need separate trainers and PE kit.

Reading records and reading books in school every day.

All clothing/belongings to be labelled with names.

Children to read and get reading records signed by an adult to earn reading reward books!

Home communication books – If you have a message for the teacher/adults in the class, please write the message in the red communication book. To support the adults, please pop the book in the tray in the morning to show that you have put a message in the book.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do get in contact at the classroom door for a brief chat or via the office.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Gleeson