



# Reception Newsletter



Welcome back! We hope you all had lovely half term break.

## Our learning next week...

### In Phonics we will be learning...

We will be continuing to understand and recognise **digraphs** (when two letters come together to make one sound) and **trigraphs** (when three letters come together to make one sound)

- Sounds: **er** (hammer) **wh** (wheel)
- Reading and writing CVC words eg: **ladder, letter, term, whirl, whisk, whilst**
- Writing simple sentences with a capital letter, finger space and full stop eg: **The letter is small and the whisk is big.**

### In Maths we will be learning...

We will be consolidating our knowledge of subitising, odd and even numbers and comparing groups of numbers.

How many toppings are on your pizza?

Can you put an even number of toppings on our pizzas?



### Communication and Language

To develop the children's communication, language and vocabulary, each week we introduce two new words related to our topic that can be found in our book of the week. After half term, our first words of the week will be:

**Europe**

**Italy**

Please do discuss these at home with your child and encourage them to use them verbally in sentences.

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**Lesson objective** - Saint Paul was a friend of Jesus.

We will learn that Saint Paul didn't begin as a follower of Jesus, he changed his life to be a follower and travelled all over the world to tell everyone all about how to be a friend of Jesus.



## Literacy and Understanding the World

Our topic for this half term is **Holidays and Transport**.

Next week, we will be 'visiting' **Italy**! We will be:



- Creating and writing our own Italian menus
- Developing our scissor cutting skills to create paper pizzas
- Developing our fine motor skills by using playdough to add pizza toppings
- STEM Challenge - Using spaghetti and marshmallows to create famous Italian landmarks, including the Rome Colosseum and the Leaning Tower of Pisa.
- Exploring non-fiction books about Italy
- Mapwork – finding Italy and the UK on a map.

## Holiday Photos Needed!

In our classrooms, we will be creating a display to show where the children have travelled too. We will discuss how they travelled there, the weather and where in the world it is. **If you have any photos of your child on holiday in the United Kingdom or abroad and would be happy for us to use it as part of a display, please email it to your child's class teacher, please remember to include where in the world the photo was taken. Thank you!**

### Important Dates

<b>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June – 9.10am</b>	Sunshine Class Assembly
<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June - 9.10am</b>	Rainbow Class Assembly
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July – 9.30-11.30</b>	Reception Sports Day and Picnic  After the races have finished, Reception parents are welcome to join us for a picnic on the field. We will be in contact with more information and the children's team colours after half term.

Have a lovely weekend! 😊