

## Parent Information Sheet – Reception Mexico (Spring Term 2)

### Reading and Writing

As part of our topic, we will be looking at different spring and growing stories. We will be sharing discussions on these. We will be having daily phonics lessons, your child is grouped according to their ability with a Read, Write, Inc. trained member of staff. We are now working on reading and writing simple sentences independently with the different sounds we have learnt. Please make sure your child has their reading book and reading diary, completed, at school every day. We will also have a weekly writing session each week.

### Maths

In Maths, we will be basing our teaching around both the white rose scheme and TenTown scheme. This term we will be exploring doubles, odd and even numbers as well as the value of numbers 9-10. We will also begin to explore length, height and time. You can further support your child using their TenTown login at home and using the white rose 1-minute maths app.

### Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will be taking part in different social games to help us create more friendships at school. We are now following the PSHE scheme 'Jigsaw'. This term we will be focusing on 'Healthy Me'.

### Physical Development

Now we have learnt a lot of letters we are practising to write these in handwriting and phonics lessons. This half-term our PE session will be on Friday morning. We will be using our get set 4 pe scheme and our focus is on Unit 2 – Ball skills where we will enhance the skills learnt in unit 1. Please ensure that your child's P.E. kit is labelled and left in school. We are developing our independence skills by dressing and undressing ourselves with less help from adults.

### Important Information.

- Please remember a school bag with a named change of clothes, and clothes which are weather appropriate. Please return borrowed clothes.
- Please make sure your child has their reading book and reading diary, completed, at school every day.
- Don't forget to bring your child's named book bag to school so they can swap their reading books.
- Every child has a box under in the cloakroom, please check these regularly for belongings.
- Please can you send in £2 donation for snack – this hasn't been happening and the pot is now empty.
- Home time is a busy period – if you wish to speak to a member of staff please feel free to wait behind when the children have left or contact us via Seesaw. ☺

### Communication and language

Alongside phonics and Literacy, we will be encouraging the children to engage in a variety of play which focuses on developing their communication and language skills. Such activities include role play, circle time and listening games. We will be updating our Word Wall weekly to encourage the use of new vocabulary.

### Our topic this term is...



Growing  
Easter



### Expressive Arts and Design

The children will have lots of opportunities to express their ideas through paint, collaging and playdough. Our small world and role play areas also allow children to be creative with their imagination. Each day we enjoy story time and singing. We will also be setting the task of creating an Easter bonnet at home so we can invite you to our Easter bonnet parade in school! **(Date TBC)**

### Understanding the world

We will be learning about different plants and animals and how they grow. This half-term we will be observing real life butterflies transform from eggs to butterflies before releasing them. We will also be celebrating Easter and having weekly RE sessions. Each day we can explore our outdoor environment. We will be walking down to Shrogg's Park to observe how our environment has changed this season.