



Dear Parents and Carers,

Phonics - This week we will be reviewing the sounds we have learned so far (these are all stuck in your child's Reading Record). We are also reviewing all the harder to read and spell words so far, please practise these at home.

Literacy - In Literacy this week we will be focussing on word level work and encouraging the children to use and apply their phonics knowledge to add labels to emergency vehicles used by people who help us. We will also be exploring a selection of texts as our Favourite Five text focus next week all about jobs such as scientists and engineers. We will be discussing how these people help us too and considering the different types of roles and jobs they do.

Maths - We will be representing 1-5 in different ways next week. We will also be introducing the children to finding one more and one less than a given number.

Understanding the World - Our role play area will stay as a Doctors Surgery inside and Police station outside. We will expand the children's knowledge and vocabulary of people who help to look after and treat people who are ill or how to help them when they are in trouble or in an emergency.

Fine Motor - This week we will be developing strength and control in our hands and fingers by matching and opening a selection of padlocks with the correct keys and unlocking them. We will also be enjoying regular Dough Disco sessions during the week to help develop our fine motor strength and work out our finger and hand muscles.

If you are able to send in donations of any of the following to help us with the children's learning, we would be very grateful:

Silver foil for making police badges, junk modelling boxes, pots and tubes, Sellotape and masking tape, envelopes and notepaper for our writing areas, flour, food colouring, vegetable oil for playdough.

Thank you in advance 😊

Diary Dates

Thursday 15th January until Thursday 12th February - Forest School for Reception (during school hours)

Wednesday 4th February- Safeguarding Session for Volunteers - **9.10am- 9.35am**

Any current/prospective parent volunteers who have not yet attended a session or who last attended in Spring 2025

Monday 9th- Friday 13th February - Online Safety Week

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Tuesday 10th February - Parent/Teacher Consultations - **3.30pm- 6.30pm**

Thursday 12th February - Parent/Teacher Consultations - **3.30pm- 6.30pm**

Friday 13th February - FOML Cake Sale - **3pm**

Friday 13th February - **End of First Spring Half Term**

Thank you,

The Reception Team 😊