

## Physical Development

Fine motor development will continue to be a focus for the children. We will continue to encourage them to show greater control when using a pencil and to use the correct pencil grip with their dominant hand.

The children will be encouraged to continue to develop their gross motor skills through running, climbing, and jumping in our outdoor area. They will also be engaging in team games where they will need to be able to negotiate space whilst running and jumping.



## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This term, we will be focusing on being kind to others with our words and hands. We will also be focusing on engaging the children in activities which help them to develop teamwork. The focus of our Jigsaw lessons will be on helping the children to understand healthy relationships with their families and friends.

The children will also be preparing for the transition into Year 1.

## Expressive Arts and Design

The children will be encouraged to explore their creativity by using a variety of arts and crafts and construction resources to create pictures, models and artwork.

They will also be exploring the sounds that musical instruments make and they will be enjoy singing new songs too.

## Communication and Language

This term we will continue to develop the children's focus and listening skills during slightly longer carpet sessions and through story time. We will be encouraging them to respond to stories they have heard.

Through our topics, the children will be learning a range of vocabulary including the names of some countries and words to describe locations around the world. They will also be talking about where they live and our local area.

## Reception Summer Term

Monday 20th April -  
Friday 10th July 2026

### We are Globe Trotters!

- Contrasting people and communities
- Comparing habitats and how to care for our planet

### The Reception Team

Miss Halpin - Reception 1 Class Teacher

Mrs Pose-Gil - Reception 1 TA

Miss Wolfson - Reception 2 Class Teacher

Ms Langley - Reception 2 TA

## Mathematics

In Maths, we will be continuing our focus on numbers 1-20. The children will have further practice counting forwards and backwards as well as consolidating their knowledge of 'one more, one less'. We will also be continuing to embed learning the number bonds to 10 within our weekly schedule.

Further to this, the children will be looking at numerical patterns through doubling, halving, sharing and odd and even numbers. The children will be introduced to money and some of the simple denominations.

## Literacy

This term, we will continue to focus on the correct letter formation when writing as well as encouraging the children to use their knowledge of phonics to write phrases and sentences. The children will be expected to write phonetically plausible words. We will be focusing on encouraging them to write short sentences using finger spaces to space their words and remembering to end their sentences with a full stop.

The children will continue to learn new sounds within their daily phonics sessions.

## Understanding the World

Our topic for the Summer term is "Globe Trotters". We will be looking at maps and aerial views of our school, the local area, the UK and the World. We will be thinking about the layout of our school and plotting the building on a map from a bird's eye view.

We will be thinking about the things we see on our way to school and how we can plot our journey to school on a simple map.

We will look at places of interest in our local area; how Winchmore Hill is part of London and how London is a smaller part of the UK.

## Dates for your diary

**Thursday 23rd April:** Outdoor Learning Day at Hertford Prep

**Monday 4th May:** Bank Holiday

**Wednesday 13th May - 9:45am:** Reception Class Assembly

**Monday 25th - Friday 29th May:** Half-term holiday

**Thursday 2nd July:** Sports Day at Lee Valley

**Monday 6th July:** Whole School Photo

**Friday 10th July:** Last day of term - half day

Reception children will continue to attend the Pre-Prep assembly with Miss Callaghan on a Wednesday and the whole-school celebration assembly on Friday with Mr Gill. A whole Pre-Prep trip will soon be announced by Miss Callaghan.

## **PE days: Tuesdays and Thursdays**

Please send the children into school wearing their **full school uniform**, with their PE kits/bags in their backpack.

**Bookbags with Reading Diaries and Backpacks should be sent into school every day.**

**Caps/hats and blazers should be worn daily.**

Please make sure your child has spare clothing in their backpack at all times as explorative play can get messy!

## Summer Term Core Texts

**Martha Maps it Out** - Leigh Hodgkinson

**Katie in London** - James Mayhew

**This Is How We Do It: One Day in the Lives of Seven Kids from around the World** - Matt Lamothe

**We're Going on a Lion Hunt** - David Axtell

**Polar Bear, Arctic Hare** Eileen Spinelli

**Meerkat Mail** - Emily Gravett

**Meet the Weather** - Caryl Hart & Bethan Wollvin

**Clean Up!** - Nathan Bryon & Dapo Adeola

**How to Catch a Rainbow** - Naomi Jones

**Dear Earth** - Isabel Otter

*Non-fiction texts to complement learning*



## Important Vocabulary

We will be using vocabulary to describe where we live in and around Winchmore Hill and its location in London. We will also be using vocabulary to discuss how London is in England and how we are located in the UK and the wider world.

We will be using language to compare lifestyles and locations around the world.