

Astronauts Class

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you all enjoyed a lovely Easter break. This term, our whole-school topic is '**Civilisations**'. In Early Years, we will explore this theme through stories. Our first story will be **Handa's Surprise**, which will support our learning about Africa and help children explore similarities and differences between where we live and other parts of the world. We will also be learning about wild animals and exploring patterns and size.

In **Phonics**, Reception children are focusing on developing sentence writing and using tricky words independently. We would like to invite Reception parents to attend a phonics workshop (see date to the right). This practical session will give you the opportunity to engage in phonics activities alongside your child. There will be a further phonics workshop for Nursery parents later in the summer term. Nursery children are currently exploring oral blending through games and activities, with a strong focus on developing attention and listening skills.

In **Maths**, Reception children are learning about teen numbers and will be exploring shape and pattern. Nursery children will continue developing their understanding of what makes a number through songs, games, and practical activities.

This term, some transition activities will begin for Reception children to support a smooth move into Mercury Class after the summer. These include attending whole-school assemblies and having opportunities to use the main playground a couple of times each week.

Nursery children are continually supported to become independent and confident learners, helping to prepare them for their transition into Reception in September. A meeting with further information will be shared soon.

Thank you for your continued support.
Mrs Conroy and the Early Years Team



Weekly Events

PE- MONDAYS

Important Announcements

Come and Play session
Thursday 14th May 2.15-
3.10pm

Come along and share some learning opportunities with your child.

**Phonics Workshop
(Reception Only)**
Thursday 30th April
9am-9.30am

Meet the team-



Mrs Conroy-
Teacher.



Mrs Royall
TA



Miss Harrison
TA



Miss Warne
Apprentice