



Early Years Timetable

	8:45 – 9:00	9:00 – 9:20	9:20 – 10:00	10:00 – 10:15	10:15 – 10:45	10:45 – 11:55	12:00 – 13:00	13:00 – 13:10	13:10 – 15:00	15:00 – 15:15
Mon	Practise letters learned	Carpet time – TOPIC (N & R) Whole class	N. Child Initiated Play & Guided Activities R. Literacy	Assembly	Phonics Groups – Read Write Inc	N. Outside activities R. Maths	LUNCH	REGISTRATION	N. & R. RE & Child Initiated Play & Guided Activities	Storytime
Tues	Practise letters learned		N. Child Initiated Play & Guided Activities R. Literacy			N. Outside activities R. Maths			N. & R. Child Initiated Play & Guided Activities	Storytime
Weds	Practise letters learned		N. Child Initiated Play & Guided Activities R. Literacy			N. Outside activities R. Maths			N. & R. Child Initiated Play	Storytime
Thurs	Practise letters learned		N. Child Initiated Play & Guided Activities R. Literacy			N. Outside activities R. Maths			N. & R. Child Initiated Play	Storytime
Fri	Practise letters learned		N. Child Initiated Play & Guided Activities R. Computer Suite			N. P.E R. P.E			SS PPA N. & R. Library Child Initiated Play	Storytime

Swan Class Early Years



Summer 2024 Newsletter for Children and Parents



Class Routines and Information

A warm welcome back to school after the Easter break. I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and had a lovely Easter.

Staff: Miss Sanby will be teaching the children on a daily basis, supported by Mrs Davis , Mrs Ghailan and Mrs Basu-White.

Daily Routines: Nursery children and Reception children will line up on the playground at 8:45am and come in to school and sit on the carpet. The register will be taken at 8.55. Lunch is at 12:00 and home-time for Reception and afternoon Nursery is at 15:15. Throughout the day the children engage in different adult and child led activities, indoors and out. They are also taught literacy, maths and phonics.

Reading Books: Children should have their reading book in school every day. They will read with an adult at least once a week in the Summer Term, including in their daily phonics sessions.. We encourage the children to read at home and we hope that you will enjoy doing this with your child as often as possible! Please write a comment in their reading record books about what you have shared together.

Library : Library books need to be brought back to school on Fridays to be changed.

P.E: We have PE lessons on Friday mornings—please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school every day and that **all items** of PE kit and uniform are **named**. Children bring home their PE kits for washing at the end of each half term.

Homework: Your child will bring home a reading book everyday. They will also continue to bring home sound cards, high frequency word cards and blending sheets to support phonics. I would encourage daily practice with these where possible.

Water Bottles: In Swan class the children have access to cups and drinking water throughout the school day. However if you prefer children can bring in a named water bottle every day to keep them hydrated.

Snack: Children are entitled to a free snack of fruit every day in Early Years and can choose a drink of milk or water.

Packed Lunch: As a school we have a Managing Allergies policy, so please ensure that packed lunches do not contain any traces of nuts eg: Nutella.

First Aid: If your child suffers a minor bump to the head, they will come home with a wristband as well as a medical letter to make you aware.

Medical: Please ensure the school office is made aware of any allergies or medical requirements your child has as soon as possible.

Clothing: Please make sure that children are dressed appropriately for the weather as they will often be outside throughout the day. Please also note that we are lucky enough to have a 'Mud Kitchen' for the children to play with outside. I'm sure you can appreciate that this is going to be messy! We will ensure the children are wearing protective aprons but these aren't always 100% trustworthy. If you would rather send your child in with a named old shirt to cover them better, please let us know.

Collection from school: Should you arrange for someone different to collect your child from school, please alert the office prior to this happening and provide a confidential password that can be given to the teacher on collection.

Topic Information for Parents

This term we will be covering several different topics; in the first half term we will look at Spring-time, caring for the Environment and Under the Sea.

In the second half we will be looking at Space and Dinosaurs.

Throughout this term we will have lots of opportunities to work outside (hopefully the sun will be shining!)

The children will have lots of great learning opportunities this half term; digging outside and planting, building models and riding bikes to name a few.

After half term we will be covering ; 'Space' and it promises to provide lots of exciting opportunities for the children.

Throughout this topic we will be looking at the Moon, Planets, Stars, the Sun, Rockets and Aliens. Following this we will be learning about 'Dinosaurs', and we will be looking at where they lived, the different shapes and sizes of dinosaurs, herbivores & carnivores, life cycles and rocks and fossils.

We will be looking at 'Clem and Crab' by Fiona Lumbers and 'Romeosaurus and Juliet Rex' by Mo O'Hara in our Literacy lessons this term, and in Mathematics Reception will continue to learn the composition of numbers to 10, one more and one less, comparing quantities, and looking at 2d and 3d shapes, measures and patterns. All children will have the opportunity to use the interactive whiteboard to play games involving number and shape. Through child initiated play, the children will be using mathematical ideas and methods to solve practical problems.

In Phonics the Reception children will continue learning letter sounds, practising blending to read words, and segmenting sounds to spell. They will also be working on letter formation and improving their sentence writing skills. The children will continue to bring home reading books which will be changed each week.

Nursery children will be engaging in topic learning and begin to learn letter sounds.

During the Summer Term Reception children will be using the computer suite and learning basic skills.

Children will take part in daily outdoor activities as well as weekly, structured PE lessons in which they will use a range of equipment.

EYs events this term:

Swan Class Charity Week - w/c 29th April

Class Photos - Wednesday 22nd May

Transition Day - 27th June

Sports Day—4th July

School Trip—TBC

Please note that other whole school events will be published with the school newsletter.

Values: The values that we will be learning about this term are:-

April— Forgiveness

May — Resilience

June — Hope and Optimism

July—Citizenship

It is always lovely to hear how children are living the values out of school. Please let us know when you witness your child demonstrating one of our values and we will celebrate this in school.