

# RECEPTION NEWS

Campsbourne School Termly Newsletter

Autumn 2 - 2017

## Welcome to Autumn Term 2

Dear Parents and Carers of children in Reception, welcome back to Campsbourne! We hope you had a fabulous and relaxing half term and that your children are all ready for a term full of fun and challenge!

### Adults working in Reception

#### Class Teachers

Mondrian - Lauren Hartley    Matisse - Christina Grant

#### Support Staff

Inci Gogremis and Marion Finch

## Communication and Language

### Listening & Attention

### Understanding Speaking

We will encourage all children to focus on a particular activity that inspires them and we will model questioning and answering.

Children are encouraged to talk and extend language during circle times, role play, drama and singing.

## Maths

In **maths** we will be learning about:

- Shape and Pattern
- Number formation
- More and less
- Size, weight and capacity

## Physical Development

Various activities where the children will explore/use their fine and gross motor skills;

- Playdough / pegs and boards
- Threading
- Forest school (Wednesday afternoons)

## UW

In **Understanding the World:**

- Using ICT software children will explore activities. (2Simple/ Purple Mash)
- Gardening
- Celebrating Diwali/Hanukkah and Christmas

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## Cooking Club

Please look out for the notice board if you would like to sign up and volunteer to cook/bake with the children. It will be on Tuesday mornings from 10.45am to 11.30am.



## Literacy

Our topic this half term is celebrations.

We will be writing about a celebration we enjoy and learning about how to write lists, instructions and festive cards.

We will be particularly focusing on saying our sentences aloud before writing them.

Talk for writing focus will be 'The Little Red Hen', creating story maps and changing aspects of the story to make it our own.

## Expressive Arts and Design

Exploring different media and materials children will create representations of various celebrations such as;

- Menorah (Hannukah)
- Rockets /Firework pictures (Guy Fawkes)
- Diva lamps (Diwali)
- Christmas Cards / Show

## Music

We will be singing, singing, singing. We will concentrate on learning to follow simple visual and verbal cues as well as developing an awareness of pulse.



## Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We have lots of circle time where we focus on friendships and encourage children to share and take turns .

We have a planet behaviour system where we encourage positive behaviour so all children know the classroom boundaries and golden rules.

