

Reception Summer Term 2025

Curriculum Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have all had a good Spring Bank. I can't believe we have come to the last half term of the year, and it promises to be a very busy few weeks! We will be spending our last half term learning about Our Place in Space and Superheroes.

The children will be doing a little presentation about their Reception Year for you on **Friday 4th July at 9am**. It will be a celebration of your child's time in Reception. I hope you can all come to it and then stay for the Stay and Play session afterwards.

On **Friday 27th June**, we will be going to Nell Bank for the day with our buddies. We will walk to Nell Bank with our buddies and the children will need to **be collected from Nell Bank**. See separate letter.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Our Learning Hero focus will be based on Rachel Reflective's learning powers. She is good at understanding the type of learner she is and knowing her own strengths and what she needs to get better at. Rachel is good at reflecting by thinking about what she has learned and talking about it. She also likes to improve her work by thinking about how she could make it better.

Communication and Language

Communication and Language continues to be linked very closely to PSED where children learn to share information and opinions with others as well as listening to the ideas expressed by others in conversation or discussion, through circle time, stories, or play. The children will be talking about aliens and whether they think they exist and what they could look like, as well as, sharing our views on what makes a good superhero. The children will share what they enjoyed or didn't enjoy about their trip to Nell Bank, and they will also be reflecting on their time in Reception.

Physical Development

Children will continue to develop their gross and fine motor skills through various activities, exercises, and play. In PE we will begin to develop our skills using a tennis racquet and hockey stick. We may also go across to the field and play games.



Literacy

We will continue to develop this area with our teacher activities focusing on our topics. The children will be describing aliens and superheroes, as well as, writing about their trip to Nell Bank. We will be working on phase 4 of Letters and Sounds for our phonic lessons. Children will continue to read regularly.

Please continue to read with your child as often as possible as it remains a focus to promote a love of reading and help to consolidate the skills they are learning in school. Remember it can be reading from their reading books, sharing a library book together or learning their tricky and high frequency words on the bookmarks you received, if you need a replacement bookmark, please let Miss Alston know.

Mathematics

Children will continue to develop their mathematical understanding, skills, and knowledge through opportunities to explore, play and practise. This half term we will continue to practise counting on in ones and twos. Children will continue to look for patterns in the number system and they will learn to count in fives and tens. We will continue to embed the learning on the number bonds to 10 (addition and subtraction facts), doubling and halving. Children will continue to practice their addition and subtraction skills. They will also revisit their learning on shape and measures.





Understanding of the world

Children will be provided with a whole range of activities and learning opportunities to help them make sense of the world. The children will be looking at maps and seeing where the school is. They will have a go at drawing a simple map and creating their own imaginative maps. Children will learn about our solar system, what it is like to live on the International Space Station and the first men on the moon.

Expressive Arts and Design

Children will experience art, model making, music, movement, dance, imagination, and role-play activities to explore and share their thoughts, ideas, and feelings. Children will have the opportunity to paint pictures of aliens and superheroes and use the construction and junk modelling resources to make spaceships and superhero lairs as some of the activities. The children will also design and make their own superhero masks and Supertatos!

Notices:

- As the weather is improving, please make sure your child comes to school with sun cream on and that they **bring a named hat to wear**. If you send in suntan lotion, please make sure the bottle is named and it is only for your child to use. Please note that we are not allowed to put sun cream on children so they must be able to do this by themselves. **It is best if you apply sun cream in the morning to protect your child all day.**
- Please make sure that your child is always dressed appropriately for **all weather** situations and has a coat in school every day. Please also ensure that your **entire child's uniform** is clearly named to help avoid any mix-ups.
- Please continue to check the school website on a Friday to find out about the learning that has taken place in the classroom throughout the week.
- Also **please discourage your child from bringing in toys from home** unless it has been a request for our Circle Time or Show and Tell. We do not want anything to get lost or broken.
- Remember to bring book bags in every day and reading books will continue to be changed on Fridays.
- Keep sharing your children's WOW moments, forms are available in the cloakroom or from a member of the team or you can email them to lucy.alston@benrhydding.bradford.sch.uk.

If there is anything else that you need to know, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you for your continued support over the last year it has been very much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,
Miss L Alston.

Dates for Your Diary

- **Sports Day** – Wednesday 11th June (School Field)
- **Parent Consultations** – Monday 23rd June
- **Nell Bank** on Friday 27th June (with Year 6 Buddies).
- **School Transition Day** – Tuesday 1st July (Day in Year One)
- **Class Presentation:** Friday 4th July at 9am (in the hall).
- **Show and Tell dates:** Aire Friday 6th June, Nidd Friday 13th June, Swale Friday 20th June and Wharfe Friday 4th July.
- **Stay and Play dates:** Monday 9th June and Friday 4th July.