

# Reception Curriculum Newsletter



## Autumn A 2026

Welcome to Reception!

The theme of learning this half term is **Our Feelings and Emotions**. During this half term, we will be talking about things that make us feel happy, sad, angry, calm and excited and we will learn strategies to use to manage our feelings.

An overview of planning for this half term is available on the school website under the 'What We Do' section. This sets out all the subjects and learning that children will be doing every week.

<https://www.becontreeprimaryschool.com/>

### Reception Expectations and Arrangements

**Labelling Belongings:** Please ensure **all** belongings and uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name.

**Snacks:** The children are provided with a piece of fruit each day at snack time. Children that are 4 years old are entitled to a carton of milk until the term of their 5<sup>th</sup> birthday, when you can choose to continue paying for milk by completing a form from the school office.

**Water:** Please ensure your child has a labelled water bottle in school each day with unflavoured water.

**Volunteers for school trips:** If you would like to volunteer to support with school trips this year, please contact the school office who will give further details on how to obtain a DBS check. Please ensure that you do this as soon as possible as it can take a number of weeks to receive a certificate.

**Book bags:** Children will need to bring a **school bookbag** every day. As soon as they have a bag, we will begin sending them home with a book from our school library, which will be changed every week. Bookbags can be purchased from the Khalsa shop or via the link below:

[Bookbag – Khalsa Schoolwear](#)

**ClassDojo:** Will be used to share information about what the children are learning, as well as other key information that is specific to Reception. Please ensure that you have downloaded and signed up to this app. Notifications should be turned on to help you keep informed of any information that is shared

### Home Learning Information

Our Home Learning Strategy can be found on the school website.

<https://www.becontreeprimaryschool.com/home-learning-strategy/>

This sets out a range of essential, as well as optional tasks, which are completed at home independently, or supported by a parent/carer.

Key home learning all Reception children are expected to do, includes:

- **Regular communication/conversations** with your child to promote their oracy skills.
- **Daily Reading with and to your child** (10 minutes or more per day).
- Parents to check ClassDojo regularly for the weekly **What We Are Learning This Week** letters. There will be home learning suggestions shared on here every week.

Speak to the class teacher if you do not have online access at home so we can look at options to support your child.

### Our Reception Team



**Ms Dean**  
QED Lead for  
EYFS



**Mr Crowther**  
(Class Teacher)  
PE Lead



**Miss Hoad**  
(Class Teacher)



**Mrs Westwood**  
(NNEB)



**Mrs Imrie**  
(NNEB)

## Key Events and Dates this Half term

| September                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                        |                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                               |                                                                                           |
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| Monday                                                                                                                                                                    | Tuesday                                                                                                | Wednesday                                                                                              | Thursday                                                                                                                      | Friday                                                                                    |
|                                                                                                                                                                           | 1 Staff INSET Day<br> | 2 Staff INSET Day<br> | 3                                                                                                                             | 4                                                                                         |
| 7<br>Check your individual Reception letter for start and finish times for this week<br> | 8                                                                                                      | 9                                                                                                      | 10                                                                                                                            | 11                                                                                        |
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| October                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                        |                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                               |                                                                                           |
| Monday                                                                                                                                                                    | Tuesday                                                                                                | Wednesday                                                                                              | Thursday                                                                                                                      | Friday                                                                                    |
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| 5<br>Bookings Open for Parent Teacher Consultations<br>                                | 6                                                                                                      | 7                                                                                                      | 8                                                                                                                             | 9                                                                                         |
| 12<br>Autumn walk this week – date to be confirmed<br>                                 | 13                                                                                                     | 14                                                                                                     | 15<br>Potential parent stay and play<br> | 16                                                                                        |

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| 19 | 20<br>Parent Teacher<br>Consultations<br> | 21 | 22<br>Parent Teacher<br>Consultations<br> | 23<br> |
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