

# Reception Curriculum Newsletter

## Autumn B 2026



Welcome to Reception!

The theme of learning this half term is **Space**. During this half term, we will use a range of exciting texts to explore and learn about space and the different planets in our solar system. We will also take part in a performance and a range of activities as part of our Christmas celebrations.

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.

**PE:** Our PE day will be on **Friday**. Please ensure your child is sent to school in their PE kits. A white top, black shorts/bottoms and black plimsoles/trainers.



**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

Please email [office@becontreeprimaryschool.com](mailto:office@becontreeprimaryschool.com) to contact any members of the team.

#### Mrs Hoad

Class Teacher RH  
PSHE and RHE Lead

#### Mr Crowther

Class Teacher RC  
PE Lead

#### Mrs Westwood

NNEB  
Mrs Imrie  
NNEB

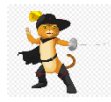
#### Mrs Stock

Deputy Head Teacher  
EYFS and Year 1

#### Mrs Reilly

Special Educational Needs Coordinator

## Key Events and Dates this Half term

| November                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| <p>2</p> <p>Back to school and any poppy projects returned.</p>  | <p>3</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <p>4</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <p>5</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <p>6</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <p>9</p>                                                                                                                                          | <p>10</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <p>11 <b>Diwali</b> Event 3.30 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                               | <p>12</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <p>13</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <p>16</p>                                                                                                                                         | <p>17</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <p>18</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <p>19</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <p>20 <b>Children in Need</b> Charity Non-uniform Day</p>                                                                                                                                                          |
| <p>23</p>                                                                                                                                         | <p>24</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <p>25</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <p>26</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | <p>27</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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|                                                                                                                                                   | <p>1 <b>Naughty Elf</b> Arrives</p>  <p><b>Christmas Cards</b> shared from today</p>  | <p>2</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <p>3</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <p>4</p> <p>Reception stay and play 8:55-9:40</p>                                                                                                                                                                |
| <p>7</p> <p>Year 1 – 6 <b>Movie Nights</b></p>                 | <p>8</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <p>9</p> <p><b>Christmas Panto</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <p>10</p> <p><b>Reindeer Run</b> EYFS/Year 1/Year 2/ARP/Zenden</p>                                                                                       | <p>11</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <p>14</p> <p><b>Orchestral Concert</b> Y3 – 6</p>              | <p>15</p> <p><b>Christmas Singalong</b></p> <p>Year 3 – 5 9.30 a.m.</p> <p>Nursery/Reception/Year 1/Year 2 1.30 p.m.</p>                                                 | <p>16</p> <p><b>Christmas Singalong</b></p> <p>Nursery/Reception/Year 1/Year 2 9.30 a.m.</p> <p>Year 3 – 5 1.30 p.m.</p>  <p>Christmas Fete 3.30 – 5.00</p>  | <p>17</p> <p><b>Christmas Dinner</b></p>  <p><b>Jumper Day</b></p>  | <p>18</p> <p><b>Christmas Parties</b></p>  <p><b>Last Day of School</b></p>  <p>Return on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January</p> |