

Reception Curriculum Newsletter

Summer A 2026



This term, we will be exploring the topic of **Growing**. We will engage in a range of exciting texts that will develop children's understanding and knowledge of the life cycles of plants and animals.

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.

Volunteers for school trips: If you would like to volunteer to support with school trips this year, please contact the school office who will arrange and pay for 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. A phonics book will be sent home every Wednesday and **must** be returned on a Monday. Library books are changed every Monday. Please ensure that books are left in your child's bookbag every day, to allow us to listen to them reading at school too. 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 nursery. 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:

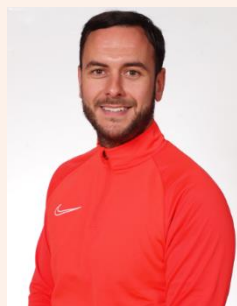
- **Regular communication/conversations** with your child to promote their oracy skills.
- **Daily Reading with and to your child** (10 minutes or more per day).
- Parents to check ClassDojo regularly for the weekly **What We Are Learning This Week** letters. There will be home learning suggestions shared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



Mr Crowther
(Class Teacher)
PE Lead



Mrs Westwood
(NNEB)



Mrs Imrie
(NNEB)



Mrs Grove
(Classroom Support
Assistant)

Key Events and Dates this Half term

April				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
13 Return Autism Awareness Projects 	14	15	16	17
20	21 Ducklings Arriving in Reception 	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	1
May				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
4 May Day Bank Holiday 	5	6	7	8
11  Activities in school	12	13	14	15
18 	19 Reception Trip to Discover Children's Story Centre 	20 Becontree's Got Talent Final 	21 Parent/ Carer Stay and Play Session 	22  Finish normal time – 3.15 p.m. Return 2 nd June at 8.45 a.m.