



WC: 14/9/20 **OUR WEEK IN RECEPTION**

-Together we learn and grow -



RECEPTION – WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU!

Reception pupils have been absolutely fantastic this week! We are so pleased that the children are already showing us such confidence in their classes. The children have enjoyed playing outside, exploring their classrooms and learning lots of new songs! We are so glad to have been able to welcome pupils into school and they have demonstrated excellent resilience in their transition from home to school.

A Nurturing Environment

Our Mission



We nurture all children to be:

- **Successful lifelong learners** who love learning, make progress and achieve
- **Confident individuals** who are able to live safe, happy and active lives
- **Responsible citizens** who make a positive contribution to their community

We have been helping the children to find resources and also to tidy them away when they have finished using them. We will continue to support the children in developing positive, solid relationships with their peers and adults. At Maple we really value the views of the children in our school. Next week we will begin to ask the children what they are enjoying most about school and noting this in their learning journeys. We will continue to work in our smaller groups next week before coming together as a whole class on Friday!

Phonics and early language skills

We will continue to work on phase one phonics, listening for sounds in our environment, discriminating different sounds and grouping sounds by listening carefully (e.g. animal sounds).

We will listen to rhymes and poetry, poems such as 'Chocolate Cake' by Michael Rosen and familiar rhyming texts such as 'A Squash and a Squeeze'. We will be encouraging the children to use the adults name when talking and elongating simple sentences to encourage the children to use expressive language.

Our experienced early years team will continue to support children in their play, playing with them, modelling the use of language in play and providing opportunities for the children to share their thoughts, feelings and ideas with one another.

Reading

The children will begin to choose stories from our book areas to be shared with their friends. We will also be watching animated stories of traditional tales such as 'The Three Little Pigs' and 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' on Busy Things.

We will provide high quality small world environments such as dinosaur lands, farm animals or a jungle set up. These small world opportunities promote language develop and encourage story telling in their play.

Early mathematics

We will start to sing simple number rhymes such as 'Five Little Men in a Flying Saucer' and 'Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed!' We will count together as a class beginning to count things such as our snacks, pencils, cars and other objects. The children will be encouraged to say number names in order to 10 aloud.



Other Information

The children do not need to bring a snack into school each day. The school will provide a healthy snack for every child each day. Please continue to talk to your child about the lunch you have ordered if it is a school lunch, we find that the children are more likely to eat their lunch if they know what to expect at lunchtime.

Have a lovely weekend!
The Reception team ☺

