



# Reception Autumn Term 2016



We'd like to say a huge welcome to all of our children joining us in Reception class at St James this year! Let's make it a year to remember! If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask a member of the team.

## Homework starts in Reception.

Each child will have their own homework book with a timetable of homework to complete over each half term. The children need to complete one piece per week that is handed in every Tuesday.

Please make sure that your child has a book bag, coat and pair of wellies in school at all times and that they are clearly labelled with their name.



## Maths and Literacy

Talk about all the sounds, letters and numbers you see when you're out and about. Can your child tell you what they are? Practise writing your child's name in the school cursive script as regularly as possible. Count out any objects that you have around the house e.g. plates at the table. Share stories at every opportunity. Encourage your child to enjoy learning and have fun!

## Autumn 1

Our first topic is

### 'Can you tell me a story?'

In this topic we are going to be sharing and discussing our favourite stories. Please encourage your child to think about the stories they enjoy, the characters in those stories and some reasons as to why they enjoy them. Share stories with your child whenever you have a spare minute and talk to them about what they think might happen next. The children will be choosing books from our book corner in school to share with you at home too.



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READING



## Autumn 2

Our second topic is

### 'How can we show our creativity?'

In this topic we are going to be looking at a variety of musicians and artists and how they represent their work in different ways. Some of these include Kandinsky, Mondrian and Goldsworthy. We will be encouraging the children to express themselves through art and music.

We will also be learning about the festival of Diwali and then of course Christmas!

