


Shefford Lower School Reception

Reminders and Events

We are so excited to welcome your child into Reception! During this half term, we will be building relationships with the children, supporting them to settle in and learning the rules and routines of the day. Please do come and speak to us if you have any concerns or questions. We will hold a consultation evening with you towards the end of the half term, where we will be able to discuss how your child is settling in. We will also be holding an information session after half term, with more detailed information about our curriculum.

Reminders: Please send your child in with a named water bottle in school containing water only. Please name all belongings. Please do not send your child into school with jewellery, toys or other items from home

Curriculum Overview Reception Autumn Term 1 2025:

PRIME AREAS:		
<u>Communication and Language</u>	<u>Physical Development</u>	<u>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</u>
The children will develop their listening and attention skills by taking part in whole class carpet sessions. We will introduce new vocabulary linked to the areas of the classrooms. We will share stories and songs.	The children will develop their fine motor skills by taking part in activities designed to support this when they come into school each day. The children will learn how to safely use the outdoor equipment to develop their gross motor skills.	We will be getting to know one another, learning the rules of the classroom and building relationships. We will support the children to explore their feelings about starting school.
SPECIFIC AREAS:		
<u>Literacy</u>		<u>Mathematics</u>
The children will explore a range of stories and songs. They will play games to develop their phonetic skills, before going on to start learning the sounds that letters make. They will practise writing their names in a range of contexts, and explore story telling and simple role play.		The children will learn to use comparing sets, size and capacity. They will explore and create their own patterns. They will begin looking at each number in detail, starting with number one, learning what the number is composed of and how it can be arranged and represented.
<u>Understanding the World</u>	<u>Expressive Arts and Design</u>	<u>Texts</u>
The children will learn about the early life of Baroness Floella Benjamin, and compare life in Trinidad and Tobago with life in England. They will learn about and explore the seasonal changes that happen during Autumn.	The children will develop their cutting skills, learn how to make simple joins and how to use the painting area. They will learn how to tell simple stories using a range of props and they will use musical instruments to create simple tunes.	