



For hygiene reason, we ask you supply your child with a daily water bottle. The water trolley is by the classroom door.

Hello, we are the Reception team. We are excited for you and your child, as they begin their Reception Year at Jenny Hammond Primary School. Every half term the newsletter gives you an outline of the activities that the children will be taking part in. Our work is based around six topics over the year. Our first topic is all about us and it is called '**Marvellous Me**'. We will be learning about our bodies both inside and out. We will be getting to know each other and learning what makes us individual.

#### Communication, Language

##### ✦ Literacy



We will be getting to know all about our bodies through the story of Funnybones.

We will be exploring healthy eating and the notion

#### Mathematical Development

The children will be involved in:

- Counting and recognising numbers
- Number patterns - dominoes / dice
- Ordering numbers
- More and less
- Shapes around us
- Making patterns

#### Reading and book bags

Due to Covid 19, we will not be sending books home YET. In the meantime, we will be increasing the amount of reading opportunities in class.

Book bags can still be purchased from the main reception but we ask them to remain at home until we notify you otherwise.

#### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Weekly 'Circle Time' sessions will be first thing on a Monday morning. We will also explore Growth Mindset and healthy mental health once a week. We will share two 'Marvellous Me' boxes every afternoon. Please bring the boxes in no later than Friday, September 25th. The teachers also share a box with the children too to build better relationships. We will also focus on class rules, routines, expectations and building friendships.

### Expressive Art and Design

The children will

- Develop their own artistry through free art activities.
- Paint and draw their families and ourselves.
- Make faceplates, skeletons, and our bodies.
- Explore collage, textiles and crafting

#### Handy hints for home:

Explore 3D art through junk modelling

### Physical Development

- Name writing
- Cutting practise
- Action songs
- Threading activities
- Cross lateral body movement games
- Toilet and hand hygiene
- Dressing and undressing for PE
- Tidying up and keeping /classroom safety

### PE

Is on **Tuesday afternoon for both Acorn and Conker.**

Due to Covid 19, please bring your child in every Tuesday wearing their PE kit. They will remain in the kit all day.

**PLEASE PUT YOUR CHILDS NAME ON ALL ITEMS WITH PERMANENT MARKER.**

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### Understanding the World

The children will

- Learn about their faces and features.
- Learn about healthy eating
- Learn about skeletons
- Explore growth and living things
- Learn about each other personal geography through the 'Marvellous Me' boxes.

#### Handy hints for home:

Why not make a Skeleton from junk

### Everything else...

#### PPA

Stands for Planning, Preparation and Assessment. It is time allocated to all teachers to do some or all of the above mentioned. Gilly and I will have PPA time on a Tuesday afternoon, which means every Tuesday afternoon the children will be taught by Nursul (Gilly) and Ruth (Louise).

#### Special books

Children will each get a special book where assessment, photos and work with be kept as a record of their learning journey.

