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# Reception Rosen Class

## Autumn Term 1

## Me and My World

### WHAT PARENTS CAN DO TO HELP AT HOME

The first term at school can be a tiring one. We know settling into a routine can take time, but it really helps to establish one early on, for e.g. sticking to a bedtime routine.

We will be sending home reading books for you to share with your children once they begin their phonics lessons. Please note, the initial books will be without words – this is to encourage them to tell a story using the words they know.

It is important you make time to listen to your child and help them to practice their sounding/blending.

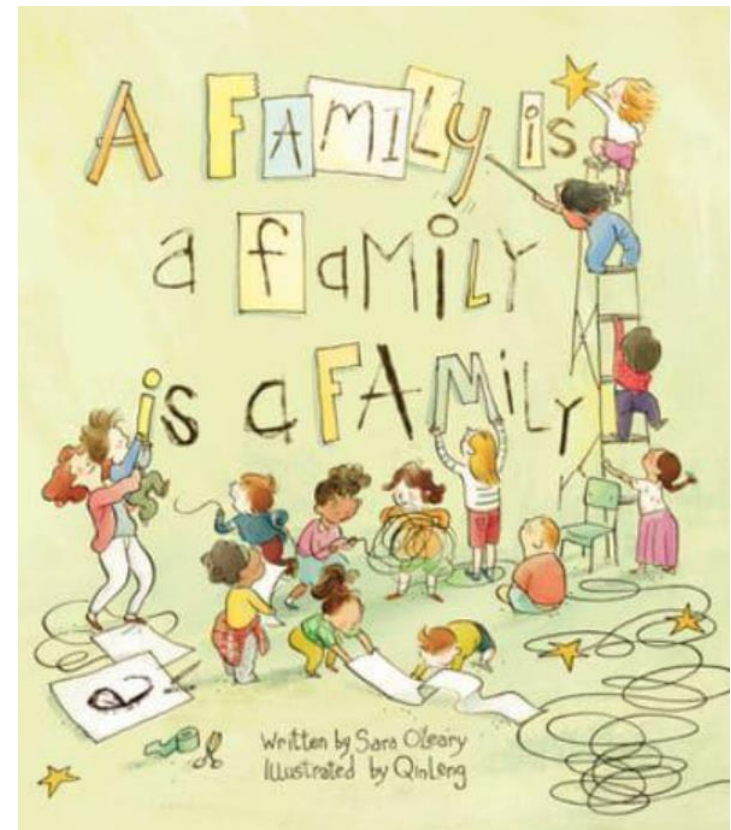
There is a phonics morning on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 9-9.30am.  
We would love you all to attend.

It would be really useful for you to attend to see what a phonics lesson looks like in Reception; you will get to see your child in action.

### A note from Miss Roe

We have had an excellent start to the term – the children are settling in extremely well. A big thank-you to you all for being on time and understanding the pick-up/drop-offs may take a little longer at the beginning.

You should have received a link via your email to set up your Tapestry account – please do this ASAP to see updates of your child in school. If you're having trouble, please contact me by email [charlotte.roe@grangeprimary.org.uk](mailto:charlotte.roe@grangeprimary.org.uk)



**Be Responsible Be Kind Be Ready Be Proud**

## The Big 5 Facts to be learnt this term

**Expressive arts and Design** – The children will be exploring and using a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings.



**Music** – Discovering the instruments we have in our classroom – the piano is always a favourite!



### Understanding of the World-

Sharing with our friends all about our family and community where we live. The children will be naming and describing who is familiar to them.

**How am I special?** Comparing myself to when I was a baby.

**Who do I know?** The lives of people around them and in society.

**R.E. – Family customs and routines** – looking at similarities, differences, patterns, and change. Exploring Diwali Celebrations.

**Physical Development** – The children will learn to see themselves as a valuable individual and grow their independence – learning to manage their own needs (dressing and toileting)

**What is a healthy lunch?** Understanding the importance of healthy food choices.

**Motor Skills** – Practising our Kinetic Letter sitting – Strong Gorilla, Meercat, lizard and penguin – ask the children to show you 😊

**PSED** – New beginnings can be scary – but we are a team. How can we look after ourselves and our friends?

**PSHE** –The first term we find our ‘can-do’ attitude and have a go at trying new things – you may hear our chant ‘I can do it’

**Communication and Language** – We need to use our words to explain what we need/want – learning who we can go to for help.

## Visits and Visitors

We invite you to our Phonics Information Session on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2024

9-9.30am

## TO REMEMBER

Please remember your child's book bag and drinks bottle.

Each child was given a bookbag at the start of term to take their reading books to and from school – they need to bring them daily.



## Subject Coverage: What your child will be learning this term

### Take a closer look ...

#### Literacy

Termly topic – What do I know about me?

Starting school, routines of where to go and where to put things, how to be a good friend, and getting to know everyone.

Sounds-Write Phonics lessons – The children will be starting their phonics lessons. Unit 1 focuses on the sounds s, a, t, p, l, n, m, d



Kinetic Letters – Understanding the starting points for when writing the letters – will it be the Brave Monkey or the Scared Monkey?

#### Mathematics

This term we will be focusing on

- the place value of numbers 1-5
- Sorting into groups
- Comparing groups and quantities of identical and non-identical objects
- One more and one less within 5
- Time – looking at my day (in the morning vs afternoon)