












## Reception Summer Term Newsletter

 <p>WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE STORY AND PICTURES BY MAURICE SENDAK THE EXTRAORDINARY GARDENER by Tom Coppen</p>		
<p>This half term we will focus on story settings and characters. We will use adjectives to orally describe a setting and apply our phonics knowledge to convey ideas in writing. Children will also distinguish between fiction and non-fiction texts and use new vocabulary in play.</p>	<p>In maths this half term, we will consolidate understanding of number patterns beyond 10. We will also begin to add and take away using practical resources. We will begin to match, rotate and manipulate shapes for a purpose (eg tangrams)</p>	<p>Our RE topic this half term is Pentecost; the celebration of Jesus' good news. We will learn how the Holy Spirit came to Jesus' disciples. We will recall how to be a good friend and consider Jesus' rule for friends – knowing that we should say sorry and forgive others when they aren't such good friends.</p>
		
<p>We have now covered all single sounds and a variety of word structures in our phonics lessons. We will consolidate this learning whilst being introduced to some new digraphs: sh, ch, th, ck, wh and trigraph tch. Our high frequency words this half term are there, their, these, what, where and who</p>	<p>This half term we will learn about artist Vincent Van Gogh and recreate one of his famous paintings 'A Starry Night'</p>	<p>Our topic this half term is Space: To infinity and beyond. We will learn about the solar system, about British astronaut Tim Peake and his visit to the International Space Station. We will also conduct an experiment to recreate our very own rocket launch!</p>
		
<p>In PSED, we will reflect on the meaningful relationships we have built – linked to our RE topic. The children will be supported to negotiate so they can begin to independently solve issues with sharing, turn taking etc.</p>	<p>Our new PE topic is 'Games'. The children will use throwing and catching skills to take part in games and will understand that rules help us to stay safe. As the weather gets warmer, please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school, particularly on PE day (Wednesday).</p>	<p>Please continue to support your child with their daily reading – a few minutes per day makes a great difference! Spelling Shed is also a great way for your child to practise key reading skills in a fun way.</p>