



Reception Summer Term Newsletter



Topics

Our topics for this term are lots of fun! They are:

- Space
- Dinosaurs
- Farms & Food
- Minibeasts
- Kenya



If you have any books or resources you think we might find useful please do bring them in, (named).

Playtime Toys

In line with the school rules, many children bring in small toys to play with during their break times. We are aware that this is becoming a problem with some children swapping and / or losing them.

For this reason, we have decided to ban all toys this half term. There are physical toys available for the children to use at lunchtime and we will remind them to use these with their friends.

Some children like to bring in notebooks and pencils and these will still be allowed for the time being.

We appreciate your support with this.



Gardening!

We are very keen to get the children growing things this term. In order to be able to harvest & taste the crops before we break up we need to start with small plants rather than seeds. If you are able to buy cucumber, pepper or carrot 'plug' plants for us to grow please send them in. We would be most grateful.



Welcome back.

We can't believe it is the Summer term already and that the children are in their last term with us!

This is always a busy term with lots of fun events.

Please ensure that you notify the office of any change of personal information (e.g. addresses or contact details) via info@theraleigh.org. This will enable us to ensure that all communication reaches home efficiently.



English

The support that you give your child with reading is invaluable. Please could you ensure that you write in their reading diary every time you read with them? They need to use the four main cues when they are reading i.e. the picture, phonic knowledge, contextual clues & also recognising some words by sight. Remember that asking your child to point to the words as they read really helps.

We have now taught the formation of all letters. We will spend the next few weeks recapping these and ensuring that they are applying them every time they write. We may send home some revision sheets for any children we feel would benefit from them. We will continue to teach phonics in our letters & sounds sessions and send home their phonics books into

Maths

We are continuing to work on number formation as well as recognising and writing larger, two digit numbers. We will be widening the children's mathematical language through practical problems, activities & games as well as learning how to double and halve numbers and when to use this in practical situations.

Mathletics

Our online math's scheme, Mathletics, is a wonderful way for your child to have fun with maths as well as improve their confidence with numbers. If you have lost your child's login please let us know and we will

Trip to Nower Wood

We are off to Nower Wood on Tuesday 9th July.

A letter with further details will be with you later in the half term.

Library

We have a new library system at school. It works in a very similar way as before, but will hopefully be more reliable! Each child has a new login which we are sending home this week via their reading record books. We would like to collect in any outstanding books before issuing new ones so please do return any books that you may have lurking at home. The children will continue to change their book on a Friday at school.



Now the summer term is here it is even more important that the children have a named water bottle in school each day.

The weather can be unpredictable at this time of year, so we ask that unless the weather is glorious, you send your child to school with a coat each day. When the weather is warm it is advisable for them to wear sun cream. We are unable to re-apply cream at school so we suggest that you use the long lasting type. Please also send your child with a sun hat.

On this note all items brought into school should be clearly named.

