



Welcome  
to  
Reception



# Staff

- Green Class
- Ms Parfitt, Mrs Maj
- Miss Hadley
  
- Red Class
- Mrs Blackmon, Mrs Collier
- Miss Davies



# Communication

School newsletters are sent via Class Dojo and can be accessed on the school website.

We use Class Dojo to share what we are learning in class and to send any messages. You can also send us messages if you are unable to catch us in the morning or after school.

Please update your contact details with the school office if they change during the course of the year.



# Learning in Reception

We aim to make the transition into school as smooth as possible with much of the learning taking place in a play based learning environment.

We use Continuous Provision to support our teaching and learning. This allows children to learn independently and re-enforces many of the Characteristics of Learning that are valued in Early Years. We plan our Continuous Provision around the children's own interests as well as planning resources and activities that re-enforce skills already taught and those we want them to improve.





# Phonics

Letters  
and Sounds



We teach children to read and write through developing their phonic knowledge and skills.

We follow the Letters and Sounds Programme which is split into 6 phases. In Reception we focus on phases 1-4, giving children the confidence to identify sounds, blend sounds together to read words and segment sounds in words to spell. We also teach 'Tricky' words which cannot be sounded out.

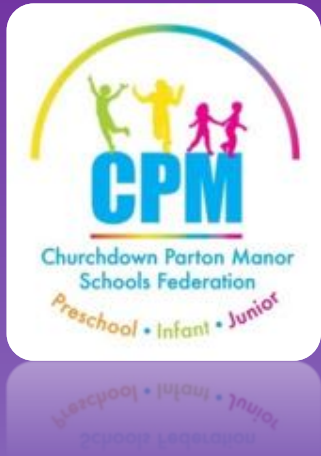
In Reception we teach these letters and sounds through 'Jolly Phonics', using songs, stories and actions making each sound more memorable. We also use 'Phonics Play' and 'Twinkl' to support their understanding.



# Maths



- We teach using the Maths Mastery approach.
- The aim is to equip all children with a deep, secure and adaptable understanding of mathematical concepts.
- We will begin with small numbers investigating all sorts of possibilities with them, also developing our reasoning skills. Please do not worry that we are not using higher numbers, even though your children may know them and count to them, we will be developing a deeper understanding of number through the use of small quantities.



# Homework



- We will ask you to support us in our teaching of Phonics and reading primarily. When we start learning our sounds we will let you know via ClassDojo and will provide an activity to support with this.

# How you can help



- To share books with your child
  - Help them to learn their sounds at home (when we start these)
  - When we have set up home reading books, read with your child daily
  - Ask them about their day as we are wanting them to develop their communication skills
  - Make sure they go to bed early so they are wide awake for school!
  - Check Dojo for any updates and we will sometimes ask you to do things at home with your child.
  - Send a water bottle in each day (named)





# PE

- We have PE on Fridays.
- Please ensure your child has a PE kit in school on these days. We keep their kits in school and send them home each half term, or earlier if they need a wash



# Any Questions?

- Please do get in touch via Class Dojo if you have any questions or queries.