

Me and My Community

In the Me and My Community project, your child will learn about the school community and building friendships. They will explore the school grounds and find out about all the people in school who are there to help them. They will explore how they are special and unique and how everyone’s family is different. They will take part in practical activities to support them to build new friendships and explore what makes a good friend. They will also find out about people in the community who help us, including doctors, nurses, and the emergency services. Our Core Texts this half term are *The girl with two dads* by Mel Elliot and *Families Families Families* by Susanne Lang.



Areas of Learning	Early Learning Goals
Communication and Language	Listening, attention and understanding; Speaking
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Building Relationships; Self-Regulation; Managing Self
Physical Development	Gross Motor Skills; Fine Motor Skills
Literacy	Comprehension; Word Reading; Writing
Mathematics	Numbers; Numerical Patterns
Understanding the World	Past and Present; People, Culture and Communities; The Natural World
Expressive arts and design	Creating with Materials; Being imaginative and Expressive

Ideas to help at home

- Look at family photographs together and discuss who is part of your family and extended family.
- Look at baby photographs and talk about how they have grown.
- Look at any childhood photographs of parents and grandparents.
- Talk about the things you like to do together and places you like to go.

Homework

Reading with your child at least 5 times a week (please write daily in the yellow reading record book). Please read books you have at home or from the library until children begin bringing reading books home. We will visit the school library on a **Monday**. Please return library books every **Monday** ready to take a new one home.

Autumn term

- Practise weekly sounds taught in school
- Practise writing your name (capital letter at the beginning and the rest lower case).
- Practise counting objects to 10 with one-to-one correspondence
- Practise counting (reciting) from 1 to 20



Reminders

Please provide your child with only essential resources e.g. reading book (we will send home reading books or reading resources, within a couple of weeks of your child starting school) and named lunch box (if not having hot meals).

Please provide your child with a named, refillable water bottle that is taken home each day for washing.

PE will take place on **Wednesday** – please send your child to school wearing their PE kit and sport shoes, which they will continue to wear throughout the day.

The adults in Reception are:

Mrs James Panda Bears class teacher and Early Phase Leader
(Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday)

Mrs McGarragh Panda Bears class teacher (Thursdays)

Ms Corbett and Mrs Woods (Teaching Assistants)