

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.

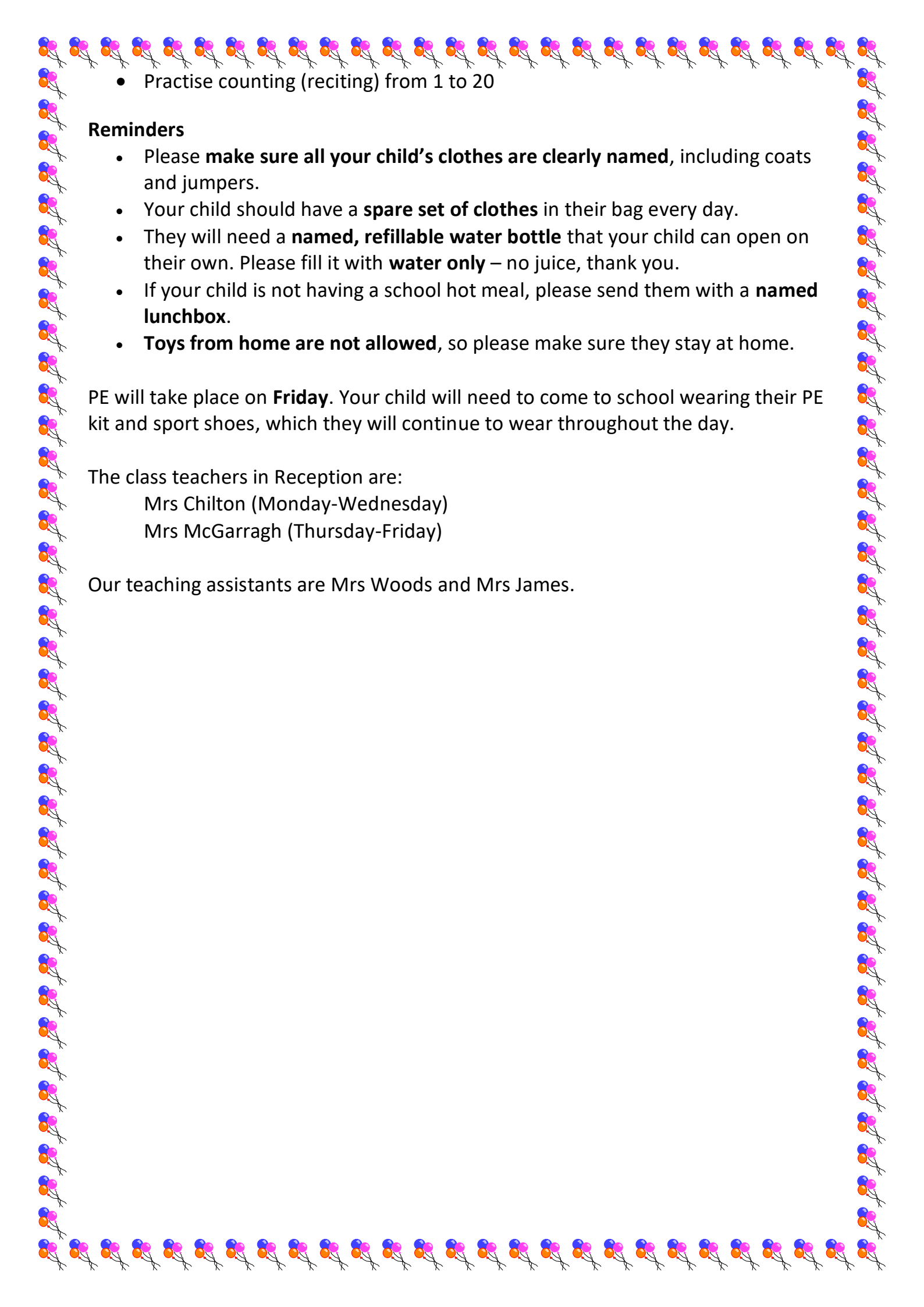
**Homework**

We want to encourage a love of reading in every child. To support this, we ask that you spend time with your child looking at and talking about books at least five times a week. Please record each session in their yellow reading record.

Later this term, your child will begin bringing home school reading books. In addition, we will visit the school library every Thursday, where your child can choose a book for pleasure to enjoy with you at 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

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- Practise counting (reciting) from 1 to 20

### Reminders

- Please **make sure all your child's clothes are clearly named**, including coats and jumpers.
- Your child should have a **spare set of clothes** in their bag every day.
- They will need a **named, refillable water bottle** that your child can open on their own. Please fill it with **water only** – no juice, thank you.
- If your child is not having a school hot meal, please send them with a **named lunchbox**.
- **Toys from home are not allowed**, so please make sure they stay at home.

PE will take place on **Friday**. Your child will need to come to school wearing their PE kit and sport shoes, which they will continue to wear throughout the day.

The class teachers in Reception are:

Mrs Chilton (Monday-Wednesday)

Mrs McGarragh (Thursday-Friday)

Our teaching assistants are Mrs Woods and Mrs James.