



Reception Newsletter

Spring 1 2026

Happy New Year! Welcome back Reception!

This half term is linked to Journeys!.....All aboard as we embark on
an exciting journey together!

The children will visit the Library Boat on Wednesday's. Please share Library books at home as the children are always excited to show you what they have chosen.

Reception P.E day is every Wednesday.

Please can children wear full P.E kit to school on their P.E day and ensure all jewellery is removed. For the next 6 weeks we are very lucky to be going swimming every Tuesday. Every child will need: towel, swimwear, swim hat and something to travel to and from the pool in e.g. dressing gown / flip flops. Please remove earrings!

Thank you for your support in completing and returning homework files. The files will continue to come home on a Wednesday. This is to help embed learning that takes place in school and is aimed to be as fun and practical as possible! We kindly ask that work is completed and sent back into school by the following Monday.

Even though the weather is colder we still do lots of activities outside. It is important that children bring a suitable coat/ hat etc. to keep them dry and warm.

The Year Group Leader in Reception is Mrs. Coleman



We are off on a journey!

Our class text this half term is 'The Train Ride'

We will be introducing our "Journeys" topic this half term through our class text "The Train Ride" by June Crebbin. Children will discuss and describe the sights in the story. They will compare the journey to their own experiences. Children will write about their own or imagined journeys by creating story maps and writing sentences.

In Maths, we will continue to apply our number skills to solve every day problems. We will continue to embed our number bonds and subitising skills. We will also compare capacity of objects. We will be

experimenting with a variety of materials to create our own vehicles!

We will be celebrating the 'Year of the horse' through our Chinese New Year activities. We will make our own Chinese lanterns and enjoy a tasty banquet trying lots of new Chinese food! This term we will be going to our local train station with our pennies to buy a ticket for the train. Once we have boarded, we will take a seat and go on an exciting adventure exploring the local area. We may even get to go through a tunnel or two!

Reading is an essential part of the learning journey at The Crescent Academy. Your child will read every day with an adult. It is essential that your child has their reading book and diary in school every day. We use the diary to communicate with you about your child's reading progress. We would appreciate it if you

could leave a comment/ sign in the diary to let us know that you have read at least 3 times each week with your child so that we are able to award children in school for their efforts. Children love to read at home, and will enjoy sharing their learning with you.

Thank you for your continued support.