



Reception Weekly Focus

Week Beginning: 12th January 2026

This week we continue our new topic: People who help us. We will be looking at fire fighters and police officers and other job roles in the community that help us. Children will be playing the role of the Lollipop person outside to help organise a crossing on our bikes and scooter track.

In maths we learn about ordinal numbers this week: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th by having races with our friends and racing with our toy cars. We will also continue to engage with activities that draw attention to the purpose of counting - to find out 'how many' objects there are. The children will also revisit the concept of cardinality - that the last number in the count tells us how many things there are **ALTOGETHER**. They will continue to be provided with opportunities to hear, join in with and develop their knowledge of the counting sequence.

In RE we learn more about the Christmas story, the people who came to Jesus' birth and the gifts they gave as well as events afterwards.

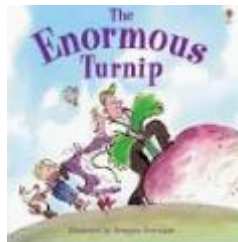
Don't forget to scan the QR codes each day to practise phonics with your child at home.

Focus words this week: emergency, services, next, first, last

Talk about the words and what they mean. Can you use these words within a sentence throughout the week?

Focus Story:

The Enormous
Turnip



Rhyme of the Week

I'm a Firefighter Song

(Sing to the tune of 'I'm a Little
Teapot')

I'm a firefighter, Brave and strong.
Climb up the ladders, They're so long!
When I see the fire,
Hear me shout!
Use the hose and put it out!

(Ask your child to perform this with actions)

Maths - Ordinal numbers



We will begin to look at ordinal numbers.
Use the race timer below to encourage
your child to discuss who was: 1st, 2nd, 3rd,
4th etc.

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stopwatch.com/classroom-timers/](https://www.online-stopwatch.com/classroom-timers/)

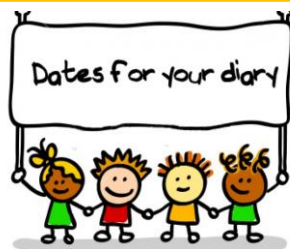
Story Time

**Reading books will be changed throughout
the week.**

**Come in and choose a book with your
child!**

This week the children will:

- Think about the important jobs people have and those that help us, in particular this week we will be looking at police officers.
- Daily phonics lessons - blending words and learning our sounds for reading and writing
- Practising writing our letters correctly
- Writing about our story - The Enormous Turnip, learning the story to retell using actions.
- Playing with our new small world fire station and police station and vehicles
- Role play - Doctors Surgery, outside firefighters
- Take part in lots of fine motor activities and games to strengthen our fingers such as placing golf tees into veg
- Using our new story tray
- Holding races inside and out to see who is 1st, 2nd, 3rd.....10th /first and last
- Drawing policemen and describing their job



Wednesday 21st Jan – Pep the Poet Workshops in school

Wed. 21st Jan – Reception Maths lesson for parents at 9am

Wed. 21st Jan – Reception Hand Washing & Dental Hygiene workshop at 1.30pm

FAMILY MASS – Saturday 24th January, St Joseph's, Darlaston at 4pm