



Reception Weekly Focus

Week Beginning: 13th January 2025

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.

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.

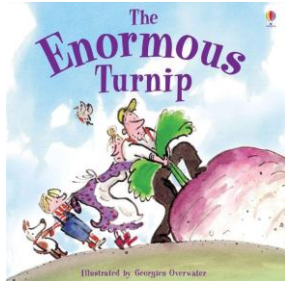
Don't forget to scan the QR codes each day to practise phonics with your child at home.

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!

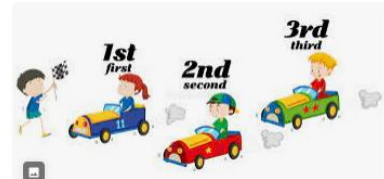
When I see the fire,

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.

<https://www.online-stopwatch.com/classroom-timers/>

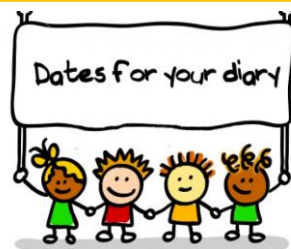
Story Time

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 fire fighters.
- Daily phonics lessons - blending words and learning our sounds for reading and writing
- Practising writing our letters correctly
- Writing about our story - Whatever Next, learning the story to retell using actions.
- Playing with our new small world fire station and police station and vehicles
- Role play - fire fighter emergency
- Take part in lots of fine motor activities and games to strengthen our fingers such as hole punching crater into the moon.
- Using our new story tray
- Holding races inside and out to see who is 1st, 2nd, 3rd10th /first and last
- Building fire engines using a template (2D and 3D)



Saturday 11th January 2025 School & Parish Mass at St Joseph's Church, Darlaston at 4pm. Bishop Tim is visiting the parish this weekend – please come along and show your support.

Thursday 30th January 2025 One Life Music Whole School Retreat Day

Wednesday 5th February 9am Learn with me' Family Learning Workshop (phonics lesson) **As we want these lessons to be as normal as possible, with the children able to focus on their learning, only 1 adult may attend per child and we are unable to accommodate any younger siblings. Parents wishing to attend need to book a place in advance online or by contacting the school office.**

Tuesday 11th February 2025 Safer Internet Day

Friday 14th February 2025

Break up for half term

Mon 17th Feb – Fri 21st Feb SCHOOL CLOSED FOR HALF TERM

Monday 24th February School re-opens to pupils