

# Brougham Reception Newsletter

## Let's Explore

How can I find out about the world around me?

Author Focus is – Janet and Allan Ahlberg and Dr Seuss – [www.seussville.com](http://www.seussville.com)

Our Experiences – settling into Reception, walking around school and meeting the staff, walking around the local area, making and tasting soup, exploring the school grounds, using our senses to explore the world around us, meeting Santa, new sights, sounds, smells, tastes and textures

We will celebrate – Harvest, Halloween, Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day, St Andrew's Day, Christmas, Diwali

We will make – soup with vegetables the children have grown, Autumn pictures, firework pictures, poppy wreaths, Rangoli patterns, junk models

We will visit – St Oswald's Church, Nasir Mosque, Morrisons, shops, the Cenotaph

### Language and Communication

- ✓ Talk about what you see when you are walking around the local area
- ✓ Visit the library and borrow books by Janet and Allan Ahlberg and Dr Seuss
- ✓ Play 'I spy' when you are out and about to help your child hear the initial sounds in words
- ✓ Encourage your child to recognise and write their own name
- ✓ Letter sound homework
- ✓ Listen to and talk about the sounds you can hear when out and about
- ✓ Read street signs and shop names
- ✓ Explore the Read Write Inc website - <https://ruthmiskin.com/en/find-out-more/parents/>

### Mathematics

- ✓ Count to 20
- ✓ Count backwards from 10
- ✓ Recognise numbers 1-5 then to 10
- ✓ Recognise their age number and house number
- ✓ Know their birthday
- ✓ Notice shapes in the environment as you walk to and from school
- ✓ Talk about patterns you can see when in the home i.e. wrapping paper, clothes, wall paper
- ✓ Sing number rhymes
- ✓ Help you pay for items in a shop and recognise different coins
- ✓ Explore Cbeebies Numberblocks website - <https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/numberblocks>

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- ✓ Share experiences from school each day
- ✓ Please feel free to bring things of interest in to show us, we would all really enjoy this, or encourage your child to share special news!
- ✓ Explore Go Noodle website - <https://www.gonoodle.com>
- ✓ Follow them on Twitter @GoNoodle

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- ✓ Name body parts
- ✓ Talk about changes in season i.e. colours, weather, clothing
- ✓ Learn their address
- ✓ Talk about things you like to do as a family and family celebrations
- ✓ Support and encourage your child to take photographs of things they like and do
- ✓ Bake together
- ✓ Use their senses to talk about things they can taste, hear, smell, see and touch
- ✓ Talk about the technology they are using daily e.g. tablets, videos, photographs, phones, television etc

### Physical Development

- ✓ Bake bread and cook vegetable soup
- ✓ Talk about living a healthy lifestyle, e.g. eating healthy foods, having a set bedtime routine and keeping themselves clean
- ✓ Talk about foods you like and try new foods
- ✓ Learn to fasten their laces and coat
- ✓ Throw and catch a ball
- ✓ Make play dough and add different things to it e.g. colour, smells, textures

### Expressive Arts & Design

- ✓ Draw and paint pictures of family and friends
- ✓ Make 3D models of your house and buildings in the area
- ✓ Sing songs about body parts i.e. Head, shoulders, knees and toes, 1 finger 1 thumb, If you're happy and you know it
- ✓ Print with vegetables and leaves

If you would like to know more about our planned experiences for Reception children this year please visit our website –

[www.brougham-school.org.uk](http://www.brougham-school.org.uk)

Please remember to inform us of any changes in your contact details.

Remember you are always welcome to speak to any member of the Early Years Team at the end of each session.