



# Telford Infant School

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Dear Parents and Carers

We hope you had a lovely Christmas and would like to wish you all a Happy New Year. As usual we have a busy half term ahead of us with lots of exciting learning opportunities for the children. Our topic this half term is 'When I Grow Up' and the children will be learning about different jobs that 'grown ups' do covering a range of areas as shown below. You may remember that we spoke to you on our home visits about this topic and many parents offered their help. If you are involved in any of the jobs shown below, or a job, which fits into one of our areas, and would like to be involved – please see your child's class teacher. Involvement could range from providing some information or resources, to coming into school and speaking to the children about what you do. Any support is appreciated and really helps to bring the topic alive for the children.

We also need lots of resources for our role play areas to learn about the jobs – please see the list below and send in if you can help – thank you.

Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
<u>Medical</u> Vets & dog groomer Doctors Nurse Dentist Physio Radiologist Opticians	<u>Environmental</u> Gardener Builder & Carpenter Town planner Conservationist (litter, recycling etc)	<u>Life style</u> Cook/chef Sports coach Gymnastics Health food seller (smoothies) Yoga/meditation Mindfulness Hairdressers	<u>Transport</u> Police Fire person Ambulance driver Train driver/conductor Bus driver Lorry driver Pilot	<u>STEM</u> Computing Scientist Designer Engineer Link to online safety week
Bandages First aid kit Soft toy animals Old glasses White shirts Unwanted medical dressing up	Gardening tools Artificial plants Hammers Screws, nuts, bolts Sanded bits of wood Sand paper Any safe unwanted small tools	Hair brushes Rollers Old shampoo bottles Small mirrors Unwanted wigs Old 'girl's world' Old hairdryers (they do not have to work)	Old bus and train tickets Bus and train timetables Unwanted transport dressing up	Old electronic items (that are safe) White shirts Safety goggles

The attached overview provides more detail about what the children will be learning across the different areas of the reception curriculum.

This half term our PE will be led by Top Corner coaching (class teachers will also be in the sessions) and the children will be learning gymnastics. Our PE day is Wednesday morning – the children still DO NOT need pumps at the moment.

From the Spring Term, children who are having reading books sent home will have the chance to change these twice a week if they would like to. There will be a 'reading book box' placed next to the lunch choices in each classroom on a Tuesday and a Friday morning. It will be the children's job to place their plastic reading wallet with their reading book and reading diary inside the box if they wish to have a new reading book. Grownups in school will then change the reading books that have been placed inside the box and return them to the children ready to bring home at the end of the day. We will of course help the children with remembering to place their reading wallets into the box at the beginning of this new routine but we will be working towards them doing this independently. By changing the children's reading books on these days it will mean the longest a child keeps a reading book is three days. However, please don't feel that your child has to change their reading book this often; some children like to keep their books a little longer and certain books may take longer to read at home.

Please remember to read with your child as often as possible. We are all really aware of how busy life is but a little and often really does make a difference. If your child is too tired or not in the mood for reading then please don't make them, reading a story to them is just as valuable. Please remember to write in your child's reading diary when you do read their school reading book with them as it is important that we know how they are getting on with their books at home. Grownups in school will not change children's books unless there is some kind of acknowledgment in the reading diary that a book has been read at home, this could be as simple as a date and initial.

Thank you for your support with your child's reading. If anybody has any questions or concerns regarding their child's reading then please do come and speak to us.

**\*\*\*Key dates coming up\*\*\***

**Height and weight check** – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January – correspondence about this was sent out on 19<sup>th</sup> December.

**Assessment evening for parents** – Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January – 6pm – 7pm – we will be talking about how we assess your children, what the early learning goals are and how you can support your child in achieving these.

**Online safety assembly for parents** - Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Feb for Magenta class, Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February for Cherry class and Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February for Crimson class – all at 3pm.

Please remember that we are very keen to see what the children are learning at home. Therefore, if your child does something for the first time, has a special experience or if they do something that makes you go wow, please add this to their Tapestry account. We would really like to share these moments with the children too and it all helps contribute to the learning journey that we need to have of your child.

Kind regards

The Reception Team



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