

Wiveliscombe Primary School
Curriculum Information

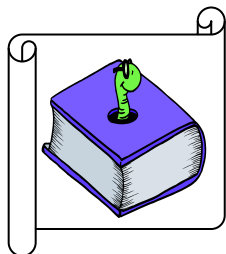
Term	Year
	Reception
	Spring 2026

Dear parents and carers,

This letter is designed to provide key information about learning this term.

SUBJECT	CONTENT
Communication and Language	To support our communication and language this term, we will be listening to a range of different stories and be learning how to ask relevant questions as well as predicting what might happen next. Throughout the Spring term, we will be reading and engaging with a range of different non-fiction books. We will continue to become confident when engaging in conversation and start to be able to fluently answer 'why' questions. We will also be exploring how to use talk effectively to help solve conflicts and work out problems. Communication and Language is used constantly throughout all our learning and teaching in Early Years.
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	In PSED, we will be covering the topics 'Keeping Safe' and 'Rights and Responsibilities'. The 'Keeping Safe' topic will be covered in the first Spring term and will focus on how to keep our bodies safe, listening to our feelings and knowing the people who keep us safe. In Spring term 2, we will exploring 'Rights and Responsibilities'. We will be looking at our responsibilities to ourselves, our friends, our environment and also how to look after money.
Physical Development	Within our physical development learning, we will continue to learn how to move safely and with control and awareness of those around us. We will be learning new ball skills such as throwing and catching and building on our hand eye coordination. We will start to understand the importance of making healthy choices about food, drink, cleanliness and exercise. We will continue our development of fundamental movements and agility. Throughout the Spring term, we will continue to perfect our pencil grip and pencil control, as well as continuing to develop other fine motor skills, such as using scissors. We will be continuing our toothbrushing scheme. Children are encouraged to brush their teeth during the school day to promote oral hygiene.
Literacy	In Literacy, we will be recapping sounds already learnt and using them when blending and segmenting words. The children will begin to learn phase 3 sounds and irregular words using 'Bug Club Phonics'. We are going to be focusing on writing simple sentences using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces and, after half term, how we can use more adventurous vocabulary. We will continue to practice letter formation/ handwriting daily. The children will have consistent opportunity to use their phonics and with confidence within their daily provision.
Mathematics	In Mathematics, we will continue to explore numbers to 10, including zero and exploring composition of number. We will be exploring addition with numbers to 5 and then to 10. We will start to look at number bonds up to 10 as well as the comparison of numbers, using language like 'more than' and 'fewer than'. We will continue to explore patterns and look deeper into measuring length, height and capacity using resources from within our learning environment. We will continue to explore 2-D shapes and progress into exploring 3-D shapes as well.
Understanding of the world	In our topic 'Water and Weather', we will be discussing the changes of weather as the seasons change and we will use our outdoor learning environment to help look for signs of different seasons, going on regular nature hunts. We will how weather changes between climates and countries. In our other topic, 'Growing and Changing', we will be exploring new life, including animals and plants. We will follow different life cycles including the life cycle of a butterfly. As part of our learning, we will visit a working farm where we can experience new life on a farm. We will also be looking at the celebrations of Easter and looking at the Easter story.
Expressive Arts and Design	During the Spring term, we will be developing the children's enjoyment of music through singing and listening to different kinds of music and rhymes. The children will enjoy acting out various stories as well as some of their own in our role play areas. The children will create different paintings and drawings, some that will include displays of different types of weather. The children will also act out visits to the travel agents as part of our 'Water and Weather' topic. The children will also create representations of how plants grow over time.

Homework



Literacy

To learn tricky words and common exception words. Children should also be encouraged to write for pleasure at home.



Reading

Please encourage your child to read their school reading book everyday.

Please can your child's book bags be brought into school everyday including their reading book and their reading diary. This means we can read with them in school and change the books when necessary. When you have read with your child, please sign in their reading diary. Their key words will also need to be practised at home and will be changed every Thursday.

Tapestry

Tapestry is a great way to celebrate any learning experiences that the children do at home. We upload all the exciting things we do in school and we would love to see more of what you do at home!

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Contact with Miss Constance – Should you have any enquiries, you are always welcome to speak to me outside of the classroom at the beginning and end of the day. Alternatively, you can reach me by emailing the school office: office@wiveliscombprimary.com

Absence - If your child is absent from school, or late due to an appointment, please telephone the school before registration closes at 9:00.

Physical Education - Please ensure that your child has a named PE kit in school every Tuesday. This should include: black/dark blue shorts, plain house coloured t-shirt, daps or trainers and black/dark blue tracksuit bottoms for colder weather.

Learning outside the classroom - Please can you ensure your child's wellies and waterproof coat are named and in school at all times.

Forest School—Our Forest school session will be on a Wednesday morning. Please bring children into school in their outdoor clothes and wearing school shoes. We will change them into their wellies once in school. They should bring their uniform to change back into for afterwards. Outdoor clothing should consist of clothes that you don't mind them getting dirty and currently, waterproof trousers, hats, scarfs and gloves may be required.

Water bottles—Please send your child in with a named water bottle everyday, containing only water.

Snack—Your child is welcome to bring a healthy snack with them to school for break time. Please note that we are a nut-free school and therefore do not permit any items containing nuts.

Please ensure that all clothing, lunchboxes and water bottles are clearly named.

We are all looking forward to another fantastic term ahead of us. Thank you! Miss Constance