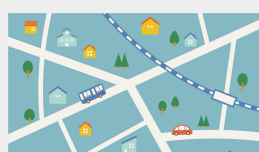


Reception: Spring 2025

Spring Term Topics



Winter



Maps and History

The Reception Team

Miss Charlotte- Class Teacher
Miss Asher - Early Years Educator
Miss Jamie - Co- teacher

You can speak to us at the end of each school day in the playground or you can contact us through the school office by calling 0207 736 2318 or by sending an email to rec@academy.thomas-s.co.uk

Our School Uniform is important - please make sure your child is wearing the correct clothes and shoes and that they have the correct PE kit. Please ensure that every item of your child's school uniform is named with a sewn on label or permanent pen.

We are always looking for ways to improve our school - please feel free to contact the school office if you have any ideas or suggestions or if there is an issue you would like to discuss.

School Start Time

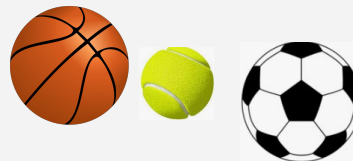
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School End Time

3:30pm

PE Day: Friday

Children should come dressed in their PE kit on this day.



Every day is vital - please make sure that your child does not miss school unless they are seriously unwell. Holidays in term time are not permitted. Please let the school office know if your child is absent.



Your child is expected to bring in their reading folder everyday so that letters and books can be brought home for you and your child to read.

It is vital that you take time to read with your child as often as possible. Your child will be bringing a reading book home to read daily, along with a reading diary to record comments about their reading in.



Your child will have an account on Tapestry where we put observations of your child's day as well as weekly roundups. You will also be able to upload what your child has been up to outside of school.

Key Dates

6th Jan	INSET
7th Jan	Children return
16th Jan	Author visit: Toby Glover
25th Jan	Burns Night
3-7th Feb	Aspirations Week and National Storytelling Week
6th Feb	Author visit: Rebecca Lewis- Oakes
7th Feb	'Country Colours' own clothes day and International Food Festival in school 3.15pm- 5.15pm
11th Feb	Safer Internet Day
17-21 Feb	HALF TERM
28th Feb	Daffodil House to wear a yellow accessory to celebrate St. David's Day
6th Mar	World Book Day
8th Mar	International Women's Day
4th Mar	Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day)
17th Mar	St Patrick's Day (Shamrocks wear a green accessory)
17-21 Mar	Neurodiversity Week
24-25th Mar	Parents Meetings
30 Mar	Eid ul Fitr
3rd Apr	Easter Egg Hunt
4th Apr	Last day of term (2pm finish)

In Reception our Understanding the World topics are fluid and do tend to change quickly as we follow the interests of the children. We have started the year learning about all things about the world around us. Then we will spend a few weeks focusing on

In our Around the world theme we are learning about:

- Festivals around the world
- Landmarks around the world
- Non fiction books about festivals around the world
- Reading fiction stories
- Seasons around the world

In our **Spring, Easter, History and Geography** weeks we will be exploring:

- The past and reflecting on memories and experiences
- Exploring maps and differences between different environments
- Exploring the natural world
- Real chicks in the classroom
- Facts about Chicks life cycle
- Taking care of animals



Role Play Resources

We are always keen for new resources if you are willing and able to donate any second hand items. We'd love to have a telephone, laptop, old mobile phones and extra dress up clothes for our role play area. Please get in touch if you can help with any of the above. We are also in need of more clean and recycled materials for junk modelling so please collect and donate if you can. Thank you!

Literacy

We will be using our phonics sessions and the texts The Little Red Hen and The very hungry caterpillar to support:

- Hearing and recognising initial sounds
- Sequencing a familiar story
- Letter formation
- Name writing
- Hearing the sounds in a word and blending them together,
- Recognising red words

Maths

- Measuring (Weight, height and size)
- Sorting 2D and 3d shapes
- Recognising 3D shapes and their properties
- Represent, order and explore numbers to ten.
- One more or fewer, one greater or less within ten.
- Days of the week, seasons
- Sequence daily events
- Explore addition as counting on and subtraction as taking away
- Counting and sharing in equal groups
- Grouping into fives and ten

In Character Curriculum, we will be learning about:

- Dreams and Goals
- Healthy Me

In Spanish, we will be learning about:

- To increase understanding of simple commands.
- Song "Saco una mano"

In PE, we will be learning about: Ball skills.. By learning how to play team games using lots of skills, We also look at our independent learning and how we can use different equipment to play different games. Next half term we will be developing our ball skills further.

In Art we will be learning about:

- Mark-making, observation and Exploration Focus skills: Fine motor, cutting, early observation skills Other skills explored: Printing, drawing, painting, building, folding, sticking