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Dates for the diary	
Friday 15th February	Friends of Ravenscroft School Disco
	Last day of half-term
Monday 25th February	School is closed for INSET day
Tuesday 26th February	Children return to school

Reading is Important

Reading morning will be on Tuesday at 9.00 until 9.15, Mums, Dads, Nans and Granddads etc. are encouraged to come in and read with their child.

All pupils will have a reading book which must be kept in their reading bag or folders and brought into school every day. Pupils may also take a book from the book corner every week. A new book can be taken home only when the previous one is returned.

Please read with your child each day and talk to them about their book. They need to understand what they are reading - not just be able to read the words.

Need to talk to your child's teacher?

Remember – you don't need to wait until Parents' Evenings to talk to your child's class teacher. Messages or information can be shared when you drop off /collect your child. If you need a conversation, make an appointment – your child's teacher will normally see you on the same day.

General Reminders

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Remember school starts at 9.00am – don't be late!

Your child is given a new set of spellings each week; please ensure that their spelling folder is returned every Friday.

P.E. will be on a **Wednesday**; please ensure a full P.E. kit is brought into school, including shorts, tracksuit bottoms, T-shirt and trainers or plimsolls and that it is not worn under their uniform. Jewellery must not be worn at school except for stud earrings which must be removed or covered with plasters for P.E.

Please ensure **ALL** of your child's clothing, shoes and all belongings are labelled with their name. It is your child's responsibility to keep their belongings safe. Also, correct uniform must be worn, including black shoes/trainers without laces unless your child can do them independently. Please make sure that your child is wearing appropriate clothing for the weather conditions (hat, scarf, gloves etc.). We provide water, milk and fruit daily therefore children do not need to bring any snacks to school.

Please ensure that your child does not play on the outdoor playground equipment in the morning whilst waiting for school to begin

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club takes place every day in the Family Room from 8am to 9am at a cost of £2 per day. Call at the school office to arrange a place for your child.

Educational Visits

We will be taking a ride on the Cable Cars this half-term. Letters will be sent nearer to the time.

And finally...

The soft start to the day has started really well. We have received positive feedback from both children and parents alike; the children are settled into school and ready to learn at 9.00am. However, please ensure that your child does not arrive in the playground any earlier than 8.50am! Thanks.



Reception Information Spring Term 2019

MATHS

Children will explore positional language in their environment; they will learn how to give each other instructions in the playground to learn about this topic.

We will also learn about one more and one less and use these strategies to solve simple adding and subtraction problems.

LITERACY

Children will be focussing on the story 'Whatever next', 'Topsy & Tim Books' and various other stories. They will be participating in role play activities about the story and various team building challenges.

UNDERSTANDING OF THE WORLD

Children will be learning about different jobs and how people help us. To support the children's understanding of the different job roles available, we will be inviting in special guests to speak about their jobs. If you would like to speak to the Reception children about the work that you do, please contact your child's class teacher. This would be much appreciated. Thank-you to the guest speakers who have already inspired and impressed our children.

PERSONAL, SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

During circle time activities, children will be looking at similarities and differences between people and the jobs that they do. They will be discussing how different people help us and how they can help each other.

COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE

We will be writing about 'PEOPLE WHO HELP US', looking at different responsibilities that they have. We will be encouraging the children to role play different jobs to extend their spoken vocabulary.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

To help improve our fine motor skills we will be using sensory materials e.g. cornflour and Play Dough to support our writing. For our gross motor skills, we will be focussing on the need for safety in different situations e.g. finding a space & looking where you are going. In our P.E. lessons we will be moving to music based on the 'Jungle book', pupils will working together with a partner to move with rhythm and in time.

EXPRESSIVE ART AND DESIGN

Children will be encouraged to use different materials that they need to manipulate to achieve a desired effect. We will be encouraging children to mix colours and talk about the changes.

Music

The children will express thoughts and feelings about music, act out and create the music for a story and play simple tunes on instruments. They will explore how to chant and sing rhymes and call & response songs.