



Reception Newsletter

Spring 1 - January 2026

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 6th January—Return to school

Friday 23rd January—POR café [more information to follow]

Wednesday 28th January—Parents invited to watch a Maths Meeting 9:00am [More information to follow]

Wednesday 28th January—Gemstones pizza party

Thursday 5th February—Number Day [more information to follow]

Friday 6th February—Reception walk around Dereham [more information to follow]

Thursday 12th February—Valentines disco

Please keep up-to-date with all school events via the weekly newsletter and school website.

Purple Mash

Each Friday a new Purple Mash activity will be set for your child to complete and enjoy. Each week your child will have the opportunity to share their work with their friends. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you need support to access Purple Mash.



Look what we will be learning about...

During this half term our learning will be based around the story Oh no, George! By Chris Haughton



We will also be learning about:

- Dinosaurs
- Patterns in Art
- Purple Mash

TALK

To support your child, here is some **key vocabulary** you can discuss and use at home whilst learning about dinosaurs:

* Fossils * Extinct * Hatch * Bones

Try discussing these questions:

- * Why are fossils important?
- * Do all dinosaurs have the same bones?

Reading books

Reading books are sent home on a Friday -please can you make sure that your child has their reading log and reading book in their book bag so that we can change their book.



Outdoor Play

The weather is getting very cold. Please ensure your child has a warm waterproof coat, a hat and a pair of gloves in school each day. We will be learning outside in all weathers.

Clothing

Please can you ensure that all of your child's clothing items are labelled with their name.

Thank you for your support.
Mrs Jones and Mr Scriven