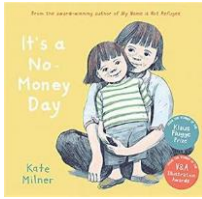
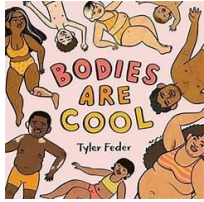


# Year Group Information Sheet for Parents – Reception

## Autumn 1



In Reception, our reading canon books are Bodies Are Cool by Tyler Feder and It's A No Money Day by Kate Milner.

Both of these books allow us to explore and celebrate diversity. We will share things about ourselves, whilst recognising our similarities and differences with others.

Find out more details below!

In **English**, we will be learning to read sounds and form these correctly when writing, ensuring correct orientation. We will learn to make lists as we collect food for the local food bank when reading It's a No Money Day.

In **Mathematics** this half-term, we will be learning to count accurately and sequence numbers. We will explore different ways of composing numbers within 5 and practising our 'speedy subitising' so that we can quickly recognise different representations of amounts.

### In our Topic-driven afternoons we will be:

#### History

We will be learning all about ourselves and how we have changed over time.

#### Geography

In Geography, we will be exploring maps of school as we get used to our new environment. We will also be exploring our local area as we discuss different buildings and features within Pontefract.

#### Science

In Science, we will be learning about the human body as we learn to name different body parts and discuss why they are important. We will also learn how to look after our bodies through diet, exercise and looking after our teeth. We will practise brushing our teeth correctly.

#### Art & Design

In Art, we will be learning to gain greater pencil control. We will be observing closely and using the correct colours as we draw self-portraits and portraits of our friends. We will also learn about the work of Roy Lichtenstein and try his pointillism technique to create our own artwork.

#### PSHE

In PSHE, we will be learning about our school values and why these are important to ensure we feel safe and are able to learn at school. We will also be learning to recognise and talk about different feelings.

#### Music

In Music, we will be learning to sing a variety of nursery rhymes. We will learn to sing and perform these as part of a group.

#### RE

In RE, we will share things about ourselves and our families as we learn to recognise and value each person within our class as an individual. We will celebrate our similarities and differences.

#### PE

Our lessons this half-term will give pupils an introduction to PE. We will focus on moving around the space and using equipment safely, travelling in different ways and working with others to successfully complete different team activities.

#### You can help your child's learning by:

- ✓ Talking to me about the topics I've been learning in school.
- ✓ Reading me a story at bedtime and talking to me about it.
- ✓ Helping me practise my sounds/blending/reading

**Reception Teacher:** Miss Brook

**Other adults:** Mrs Lane, Mrs Spence and Mrs Abdy

#### Homework:

Your child is expected to read at home daily for 5 – 10 minutes. Your child will be given reading material suitable for their current stage. This may include:

- QR codes with links to phonics videos to teach your child the sounds.
- Blending practice sheets to support oral blending
- A reading book with printed words

Please write a comment in your child's Reading Record and return these on Mondays and Fridays so new reading material can be provided.