



Ramsgate Arts Primary School -Year R Curriculum



Morning Routines All Year R children will be welcomed from 8.15am each day at the classroom doors. They will unpack their bags, hang up their coat, put their book in the basket and put their water bottle in class. Please encourage them to do this independently and say goodbye to them at the cloakroom. If you have any questions, please feel free to speak to the teacher at the door. Each morning, there will be a range of fine motor, maths and literacy activities on the tables that the children can choose from. During this time they will change their reading books and register with the class teacher.

Read, Write, Inc.

In Term 2 we will be grouping the children for RWI and introducing them to a number of new sounds. We will be encouraging them to try and hear the initial sounds in words and then moving onto orally blending three sound words. This quickly progresses onto building and writing CVC words and captions. We will begin to learn some 'red words' such as I and the and cover lots of new 'green words' linked to our sounds. Please complete your child's sounds book with them weekly (new sounds will be added every Friday) and also encourage them to think of as many words that begin with that sound. Please ask us for another sounds sheet for the handwriting patterns if you no longer have it.

Reading It is our expectation at Ramsgate Arts primary School that children read for at least 10 minutes every night. Please continue to read one of our book corner books to your child and change this daily. Later this term we will be sending home phonics reading books. When these start please sign your child's reading record when you read with them. Please also ensure that your child has their reading record at school every day so that they are able to read with a teacher or TA.

Maths

We teach Maths daily and all sessions begin with a warm up starter and follow by a main session of learning. This term we will be focussing on the following areas: number recognition, counting to 20, finding more and less, simple addition and subtraction, 2D shapes and using positional language. Most areas of Maths depend on a solid understanding of number. Please practice counting everything and pointing out numbers to 20 with your child.

RAPS Curriculum This term, we will be beginning a topic entitled 'A Magical Winter'. Within this unit of learning we explore creating magical experiments, magic shows, performing to music, magical science, making props, stages of magic, winter, melting ice, changes in season, seasonal art, the Christmas story, Christmas crafts, family traditions and much more. All of our learning will be based around topic linked texts. We will also be learning about staying safe on bonfire night and creating firework art. Keep checking the blog for updates on our topic learning.

PE In year R we do smart bodies/ beam daily and PE every Friday afternoon. We will be continuing the BEAM programme this term and then continuing onto gymnastics in the hall. We will notify you when we will begin to change for P.E. during this term but please start to purchase the kit.

Uniform Our school uniform exists both for health and safety reasons and to develop a sense of pride and responsibility in being a member of the RAPS community. The uniform policy includes the expectation that all children will wear black school shoes (trainers are not acceptable footwear), that long hair should be tied back at all times and that with the exception of a watch and a pair of small stud earrings NO jewellery may be worn by children. We also ask you to remember that children should not be wearing make-up or nail varnish to school and hair styles should not be extreme – this includes unnatural hair colours. The school's uniform policy is listed online. Please ensure your child is dressed according to this policy

General Sipping water throughout the day aids concentration and learning. Please provide your child with a water bottle which they may keep with them throughout the day. It is vital that pupils arrive at school on time and that absence is kept to a minimum. Frequent lateness and absences can have a huge negative impact on a child's learning so please try to have your child in school by 8.30 am every day. Please also bring in wellies for outside learning.

Home Learning and Blogs.

Our 'Love to Learn' tasks will be sent home this term will be about *family traditions*. What do you celebrate in your family? How do you do this? Do you have a particular routine? Do you eat special food as a family? This can be taken in any direction with photos, captions, drawings, art work. Please let this be your child's ideas and work but please feel free to help them to present this.

Arts

Through our Arts curriculum the children will focus on Music and Art. These subjects will be taught on a Tuesday afternoon. We will be focussing on our Christmas Nativity this term as well as daily dance and singing sessions.