

William Murdoch Primary School

Reception Staff

R.1 - Miss R Francis
R.2 - Mrs I Rafiq (Team Leader)
R.3 - Mrs G Kaur

Reception Support Staff

R.1- Mrs S Shazad
R.2 - Mrs S Wassi
R.3 - Mrs R Patel

Holidays

Half-Term

Friday 13 February 2026

Return to School

Monday 23 February 2026

End of Term

Friday 27 March 2026

Return to School

Monday 13 April 2026

Key Events

Staff Training Days

Monday 5 January 2026

Parents' Evening

Monday 9 March 2026

World Book Day

Thursday 5 March 2026

Science Week

9 to 13 March 2026

Festival Assemblies

Reception - Mother's Day

Friday 13 March 2026

Year 5 - Easter

Friday 27 March 2026

Reception Good Work

Assemblies

30 January 2026 at 2.50pm

Reception Spring Term Newsletter 2026

Welcome

Welcome to another term at William Murdoch Primary School. In order to strengthen the home/school partnership, this Newsletter aims to inform you of the topics being covered by your child this term and of any special events taking place.

Maths

Learning Number Bonds within 10
Counting Reliably to 10
Comparing Numbers within 10
Addition to 10
Exploring Length, Weight and Height

English

Segmenting sounds and blending them together to read words and simple sentences.
Reading and beginning to write tricky words.
Set 1 Speed Sounds
Sentence writing with finger spaces and full stops.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Becoming confident to speak in larger groups.
Being able to negotiate and solve problems.
Take account of others' ideas.

Expressive Art and Design

Experiment to create different textures.
Select tools and techniques to assemble and join materials.

Understanding the World

To look at and compare old and new transport.
Make observations of plants and animals and explain why some changes occur.
Know similarities and differences between past and present transport.

Communication and Language

Listen attentively and follow directions.
Follow stories without pictures or props.
Build vocabulary to reflect the breadth of their experiences.

Physical Development

Form all letters of the alphabet correctly.
Experiment with different ways of moving.
Understand good practices with regards to exercise and eating.

RE

Theme: 'Celebrations' and 'Easter'

PHSE

Dreams & Goals
Healthy Me

Homework

Please hear your child read every day for 20 minutes (Monday to Friday). Ensure all reading books are brought into school every day. Reading books will be changed every Friday.

English, Maths and Spelling homework will be given on a Friday to complete over the weekend and return to school by Wednesday.

Boromi Bags will be sent home weekly on a rota basis for you to work through with your child.



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KNOWLEDGE LIGHTS UP THE MIND