



ST JAMES'
Church of England
Primary School

Our Reception Learning update

In the Autumn 1 half-term, these are the main things we're learning about in Reception...

Living and Learning

This half-term, we've been learning about how to be a good friend by **taking turns, sharing and being a good listener.**

In our Feelings First sessions, we're explore three feelings: **sad, happy and angry.**

Spot times in the day when you can talk about these and other feelings!

This half term, our focus is on subitising.

Subitising is the ability to recognise how many objects there are without counting one by one.

At home, play dice games with your child to encourage them to subitise the spots on the dice without counting each one.

Number

We've had a fantastic first half-term so far getting to know each other!

The children have settled into Reception well and we're proud of how well they've adapted to new rules and routines.

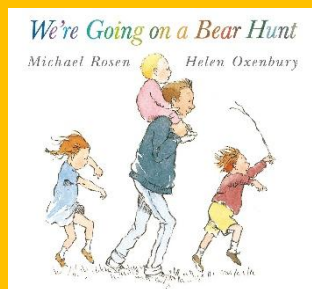
Well done, Reception!

Our first Big Book is **The Great Big Book of Families** by Mary Hoffman



Some of the key words we'll be using from the book are
different
same
special occasions

Our second Big Book, a popular one... **We're going on a Bear Hunt** by Michael Rosen.



Some of the key words we'll be using from the book are
over, under
through
journey
squelch

Our third Big Book will be **Supertato** by Sue Hendra, Paul Linnet.



Some of the key words we'll be using from the book are
to escape
distress
to gasp
to leap

Understanding the World

This half term, we're learning about families and communities. We're talking about our own families, sharing our experiences and discovering how families can be similar and different.

Every day, children develop their movement skills in our Daily Movement sessions. The movement skills they develop also help with their handwriting. This half term, we're crawling, balancing and rolling balls.

Have a go at rolling different sized balls at home. Can your child control where the ball ends up?

Daily Movement

Expressive Arts and Design

We're exploring self-portraits by the artist Frida Kahlo and having a go at drawing our own.

Encourage your child to have a go at drawing a face – what details can they include?