



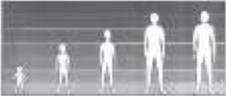
Reception - Newsletter Autumn 1



Our Project this half term is **Ourselves!**

Please find below information to support your child's learning this half term. We have included the vocabulary they will need to know and the key facts linked to the project. We have also given some ideas to support learning at home and to encourage the children to be inquisitive learners.

We are starting the project with.... Looking at our baby photos and will end the project by.... Looking at how much we have grown.

Key Vocabulary		Key Knowledge	
Family		Baby	
Changes		Feelings	
Growing		Different	
Suggested home learning activities linked to the project			
<p>Look at photos of yourself and your family and talk about the ways in which you have all changed. Talk to an older family member about what school was like when they were little.</p>			

Reading and Writing

In reading this half term, we are learning:

- how to handle a book carefully and turn the pages
- how to tell a story using pictures and the single letter sounds.

In writing this half term, we are learning:

- how to write our names independently
- how to form letters correctly.

Some activities you could try at home: writing your name, retelling a story using the pictures and practising the letter sounds in your name.

Maths

In maths this half term, we are learning all about numbers!

We will be:

- counting to 20
- counting objects accurately
- recognising some important numbers.

Some activities you could try at home: finding numbers all around you e.g. on your door, on cars and in the supermarket; counting things e.g. steps in your house or how many grapes in your bowl; singing number e.g. rhymes like 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 once I caught a fish alive.



Talking to your child's teacher

If there is anything you wish to discuss the best times are either before school at 8.40am or after school at 3.15pm. Alternatively, you can write a note in your child's reading diary or email communications@holthouse.sheffield.sch.uk and we will respond to you as soon as we can.



Water bottles and P.E kits

Please can you ensure that your child has a named water bottle in school? These can be refilled from any tap in school. Children also need to be prepared for P.E by having their kit in school every day. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 14th October: Harvest celebration – please send a gift for Grace Food Bank.

Friday 18th October: Wear **Red** Day

Monday 14th October: 12.45 – 5.45pm – Parents and Carers meetings with class teachers

Week beginning 21st October: Music Week

Reading diaries

Reading diaries should be brought to school every day.

Please do write in your child's reading diary when you hear them read – it is really helpful to know how your child is getting on with reading with you.

Show and Tell

In Reception one group does show and tell each day. Once your child has a group they will be told their show and tell day.

Show and tell is an opportunity for your child to talk in front of a small group. The item they bring should be something that they can talk about and are excited to share. Photographs are always a great idea so the child can talk about their family and friends. The item should be able to fit into their bookbag.