

## Useful Dates



Autumn 1

11.09.25 – Welcome to Reception Curriculum Meeting 5.00pm

The presentation will be sent out to parents and carers who cannot/would prefer not to attend and will also be available on the school website.

20.10.25- Individual Photos

23.10.25- Autumn walk to Valley Gardens

Please note: we will require parent helpers for this trip to ensure it can go ahead.

23.10.25- School Closes at 3.15 pm for Half Term

24.10.25 – Staff training day – School is closed for pupils

## Autumn Term 1

### All About Me and the People I Know

#### Welcome to the Early Years Reception Classes!

We would like to offer a warm welcome to all the new and returning parents and children.

The first half term in Reception is about settling into school life and establishing rules and routines. The children will find school days tiring at first as they adjust to the changes of our busy day. Our focus as a staff is really getting to know your children and finding out what they know and can do.

We will be finding out what the children are interested in and taking our learning forward to include some of their interests.

This half term, we will be talking about our families, homes and what makes us unique. We will be discussing and celebrating the fact that everyone is different. We will also be talking about people who we know at home, school and in our local community. In the final couple of weeks of this half term, we will be learning about Autumn.

Every week, staff will post about upcoming learning for the following week on Family and this will include information about how you can support your child/children at home. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email [eyfs@wes.rklt.co.uk](mailto:eyfs@wes.rklt.co.uk)

Mrs Stewart

Mrs Whitelow

Knowledge your child should have by the end of this term:

All About Me	People I know	Autumn
I know and can name my family members. I can talk about my home and know I live in Harrogate.	I know who my teachers are. I know and can name people who help us e.g. police, teacher, fire fighter etc.	I know and can talk about at least two things that happen in Autumn e.g. leaves change colour, conkers grow, evenings grow darker, weather gets cooler etc.

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Autumn 2

3.11.25- School re-opens

14.11.25 – Reception stay and read – 2.45pm

25.11.25-Parent/Teacher Consultations 3.30-7.00pm

27.11.25- Parent/Teacher Consultations 3.30-6.30pm

2.12.25- EY Nativity 9.30am (Reception and Pre-school children only)

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10.12.25 – Christmas Dinner Day

19.12.25- School Closes at 2.20pm

Polite reminder: there is no After School Care on this day. Breakfast Club will run as usual.

## Autumn Term 2

### Light and Dark

#### Our Learning

This half term, we will be learning about space, different celebrations and practicing our Christmas show.

We learn about Diwali, the festival of light, Bonfire Night, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Towards the end of term, we will be sharing our Christmas show with you and enjoying lots of arts and crafts.

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Knowledge your child should have by the end of this term:

Space	Celebrations	Light and Dark
I know that I live on Earth.	I can talk about a celebration.	I know the difference between day and night.
I know some planets in the solar system.		I can talk about the different things I do in the day and in the night.
		I know what nocturnal means.

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# Our Staff



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