Weekly Overview

Alexandra Primary School
Aspire, Perform, Succeed

Year Group: Reception
Week beginning: 21st September 2026

Dear Reception,

Every **Tuesday**, you will see the weekly overview that sets out our learning for the week on the learning section of our school website. Please take note of the homework section at the bottom of the grid, this identifies additional ways of supporting your child at home. Should there be any problems with completing the home learning or if you need any further guidance, please email the Reception team on reception@alexandra.hounslow.sch.uk or ask the class teacher.

Thank you,

The Reception Team

This week our topic is: Families

Personal, Social and Emotional development

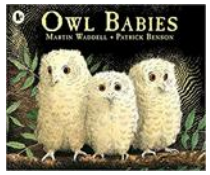
We will be talking about the emotions of happy, sad, angry and excited. We will share our experiences of times when we are happy or angry with Jigsaw Jeni and thinking of ways to help make us feel better. The children will be introduced to the phrase "if you see someone without a smile, give them one of yours".

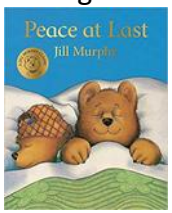
Key Vocabulary

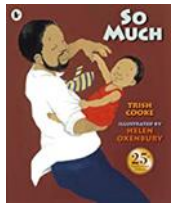
Literacy: phoneme, sound, grapheme, letter
Maths: sort, match, odd, identical, non-identical

Communication and Language

This week the children will focus on learning about families through a range of different stories. They will be encouraged to listen carefully to the stories and make comments about their favourite part of the story and giving their reasons. The children will be encouraged to talk using sentences.







Physical Development

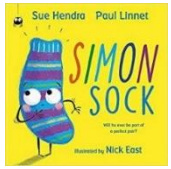
For gross motor skills, the focus of learning will be on spatial awareness and finding a space. The children will start to learn some warming up movements.
For fine motor skills the children will have opportunities to form the graphemes s, a, t, p and write the word I.

Literacy

The children will be blending sounds to make words using the phonemes that they have learnt this week, for example
s-a-t sat, p-a-t pat, t-a-p tap

Maths

In maths, we will be exploring the concept of sorting and matching. We will be identifying matching pairs and odd ones out. We will also play games of matching actions using body percussion.



Topic

This week we are focussing on different families. Please send a photo to school of your child and their family to give your child an opportunity to talk about their family. The photo could be a hard copy for your child to bring into school or please send a photo by email to reception@alexandra.hounslow.sch.uk

We will be creating pictures of our self and our families using different media – collage, painting and coloured pencils or crayons.

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Phonics	Time To Talk
The focus for phonics this week is to learn the phonemes s,a,t,p and the word I. The children will learn the sounds not the names. Using the phonics pack which will be sent home on Friday, please support your child to learn the sounds.	*You may ask your child what they have done in Reception and they may be unable to tell you. By asking them a more specific question, it will support them to respond. Each week we will offer a suggestion of a topic to talk about with your child. Please encourage your child to talk to you using sentences.* **Ask your child:** Play a game using different objects which start with the sounds s,a,t,p and ask what is the first sound is. **Talk to your child:** Talk about your child's family and share some memories.

Homework:

It is important to hear your child read every day.
Please listen to your child read the reading books sent home each day and comment in the reading log that you have heard them and provide us with a comment saying how they have read that day. All children will receive 2 reading books and a library book each week.

It is also important that your child hears stories. Please share and read the library book to your child.

Practise the sounds from the phonics pack and use the sounds to make words such as t-a-p, s-a-t, p-a-t. Also practise recognising the tricky word 'I'.

Please ensure your child brings their book bag and books to school every day.