

Reception Parent/Carer Information

Spring Term 2

Food

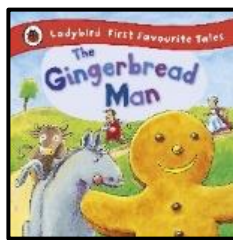
What we are learning this half term...

We will begin a new topic around food. We will learn lots of facts about Pancake Day and Chinese New Year. We will move onto finding out about where food comes from. Next, we will focus our learning around the story of the Gingerbread Man, Supertato and the antics of the 'Evil Pea' before finishing the half term learning about Easter.

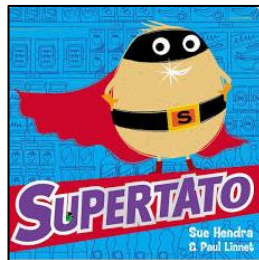
The core story for this half term is: **The Gingerbread Man**

Other things we will do...

We will be making traps to catch the Evil Pea, making our own Supertato and his friends, vegetable printing & colour mixing.



We will look at lots of non-fiction books about food and other food stories such as Supertato, Oliver's Vegetables, The Gingerbread Man and Mr Wolf's Pancakes.



We will write recipes, make a wanted poster, write lists, menus and instructions about how to make a pancake and catch the Evil Pea.



Core Story

Core stories are books we will focus on in depth each half term. We will send the story home for you to share with your child. Please return the next day to ensure every child gets a chance to read it at home.

We will learn lots of new food-themed songs and rhymes.

Phonics and Reading

Reading at least 3 times a week with your child will help improve their reading. Please ensure you sign their yellow book each time you read. Your child's reading book and yellow reading record need to be kept in their book bag and sent into school each day. Thank you.

Maths

We will explore numbers from 5 to 10 in greater depth. This will include:

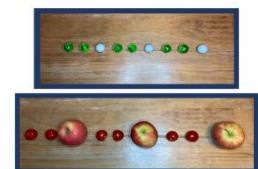
Subtraction and Addition

Doubling and Number Patterns

Number Bonds

3D Shapes and Patterns

Have a go at making your own patterns at home.



Ask a friend to carry on your pattern and you could carry on their pattern.

Food Preparation & Snack

The children really look forward to their 'special snack' every Friday. This is often linked to topics that we are finding out about or exploring new foods that the children may not have tried at home. We also use the snack money to buy ingredients for baking and for the children to prepare/cook their snack.

To ensure that we can still provide this lovely experience for all children, we ask for a voluntary contribution of **£3.00** for this half term. Please could you send the money in the named envelope your child will be bringing home.



If you have any queries please see a member of the Reception team.

Toys from Home

We have seen an increase of children bringing in toys from home. Please can toys be kept at home to avoid the risk of them becoming lost, spoilt or broken. There are so many activities the children can now take part in at dinnertime that they do not need to bring things from home. We appreciate your support in this matter.

A message from the Reception Team...

Your children worked ever so hard last half term and we hope you had a restful holiday.

We look forward to another exciting half term of learning with your children.

Don't forget to sign up for the parent/carer evening next week, so we can share your child's fantastic learning.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to come and speak to a member of the Reception Team.

Mrs Horne

Miss Whitaker

Mrs Todd

Miss Wells

Miss Brogan

Mrs Hudson