

Useful Dates



Spring 1

6.1.25 – Return to school
at 8.50am

21.1.25 – Stay and read –
2:45 – 3:10

14.2.25 School Closes at
3.20 pm for Half Term

Spring 1 Polar Regions, Jungle and Lunar New Year

Our Learning

Welcome back to all of our Reception families – we hope you had a lovely Christmas break. This term the children will be learning about the polar regions, rainforests and thinking about where we live in the world as well as how people celebrate the Lunar New Year.

Children will continue to have access to a reading book when they have been assessed as ready – this will show up in your online library. Please keep practicing phonics at home, particularly the tricky words and blending. Every Friday, staff will post about the learning that has taken place that week on Tapestry and this may include information about how you can support your child at home. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email eyfs@wes.rklt.co.uk

Mrs Stewart Mrs Whitelow

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

Polar regions	Rainforests	Where in the world/Lunar New Year
Where the polar regions are and what they are like. What animals live there and how they are adapted to live there.	What rainforests are like and some of the animals that live there.	Where they live (Harrogate, UK) and what maps show. How people celebrate the Lunar New Year.

Western
Curriculum
Drivers

Use of Technology



The Natural World



Diversity



Values
Health and Well-being



Useful Dates



Spring 2

24.2.25- School re-opens

7.3.25- World Book Day

18.3.25-Parent/Teacher Consultations 3.30-7.00pm

20.3.25- Parent/Teacher Consultations 3.30-6.30pm

26.3.25 – Valley Gardens Easter games.

We will need parent help if this trip is to go ahead.

4.4.25 – Easter bonnet parade at 9.15am in the back playground

4.4.25 – Break up at 2.30pm

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

Spring Term 2

Tell me a story

Western Curriculum Drivers

Use of Technology



The Natural World



Diversity



Values Health and Well-being



Our Learning

This term we will focus on stories. We will read lots of stories, both traditional tales and more modern familiar stories, such as those written by Julia Donaldson. We will also spend time using our imaginations to make up our own stories.

Children will continue to have access to a reading book when they have been assessed as ready – this will show up in your online library. Please keep practicing phonics at home, particularly the tricky words and blending. Every Friday, staff will post about the learning that has taken place that week on Tapestry and this may include information about how you can support your child at home. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email eyfs@wes.rklt.co.uk

Mrs Stewart

Mrs Whitelow

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

Stories			
Key terms: Author, illustrator, blurb, character and setting. Children should be able to retell a story and make up their own story.	Recount: Children should be able to retell some of their favourite stories and join in with repetitive key phrases.	Imagination: Children should be able to make up their own imaginative story.	Prediction: Children should be able to predict what might happen in an unfamiliar story based on the pictures and text read previously.

Our Staff



Mrs Stewart
Early Years Leader
Reception Teacher



Mrs Whitelow
Reception Teacher



Mrs Bassham
GTA/ HLTA



Mrs Cunningham
GTA



Mrs Robinson
GTA/ HLTA



Mr Martineau
GTA



Mrs Edwards
HLTA Weds p.m.