

# Weekly Overview



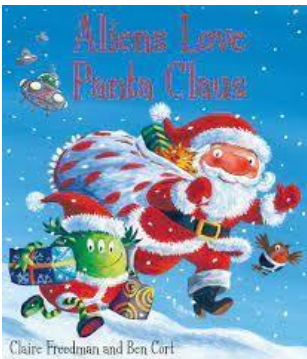


Dear Reception,

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](mailto:reception@alexandra.hounslow.sch.uk)

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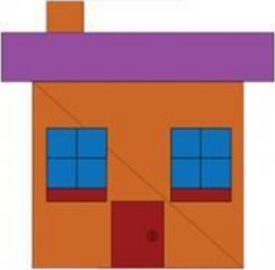

The Reception Team

## This week our topic is: We are going on a journey - Lapland

Personal, Social and Emotional development	Communication and Language	Topic
<p>We are going to discuss what to do if others treat us unkindly. We will consider the difference between kind and unkind acts and reinforce the phrase “stop I don’t like it” if someone is unkind.</p> 	<p>This week stories will relate to a winter or Christmas theme. The children will be encouraged to talk about the stories. They will talk about their favourite part of the story, join in with refrains and demonstrate their understanding of the story. The children will talk using sentences,</p>  	<p>This week we are going to carry on our adventure and visit Lapland. The children will learn about some of the animals that live in Lapland, the winter climate and about the very famous Santa.</p> 
<p><b>Key Vocabulary</b></p>		
<p>Topic: Lapland, reindeer, Santa, Mary, Joseph, Jesus, Christmas</p> <p>Maths: square, rectangle, shape, sides,</p>		<p>The children will also learn the story of Christmas and learn how some people celebrate.</p> 



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Literacy	Maths	Physical Development
<p>The children will be blending and segmenting sounds in words to write captions and words. The children will be encouraged to engage with books independently.</p>	<p>In maths, the focus will be on recognising, naming and understanding the composition of the shapes rectangle and square. They will learn to describe and explain how they know shapes are either squares or rectangles.</p>	<p>For gross motor skills, the focus of learning will be gymnastics. The children will be learning to move on mats and gymnastic equipment. <b>Please ensure your child is wearing their PE kit on a Friday and are not wearing earrings.</b></p> <p>The children will have opportunities to practise their fine motor skills using different resources in the environment and through handwriting practice.</p>
<p><b>Phonics</b></p>	 	<p><b>Time to talk</b></p>
<p>The focus for phonics this week is to recap the sounds and tricky words taught to date. The children will continue to learn phase 3 sounds y, z, zz, qu, ch and the word 'she'. The children will learn the sounds not the letter names.</p> <p>Using the phonics pack please support your child to learn the sounds and make words to sound out and read. There will be additional sounds in the pack this week.</p>		<p><i>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 or give ideas about games to play together. Please encourage your child to talk to you using sentences.</i></p> <p>Look for shapes in the environment – ask your child to name the shape. Ask how they know i.e. how many sides and corners. Can they relate their shape knowledge to previous shape learning? Whilst walking around Hounslow acknowledge the Christmas decorations. Encourage your child to talk about what they see.</p>

**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. Please will you read the library book to your child.

Practise learning the phonics sounds and tricky words sent home each Friday aiming for your child to have a quick recall of the sounds. Try making words using 3 sounds from the letter pack.

It is also important that your child hears stories. Please share and read the library book to your child. Please ensure your child brings their book bag and books to school every day.

There are some books on Bug Club, please log in and listen to your child read the books.