

RECEPTION	CURRICULUM	September - October 2007
CURRICULUM AREA	ACTIVITIES / THEMES IN SCHOOL	IDEAS TO HELP AT HOME
ENGLISH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learning letter names and initial sounds of words • Writing lower case letters and capital letter of own name using correct formation • Locating and naming the letter boxes on the THRASS chart • Locating and naming the pictures on the THRASS chart • Introduction of keywords 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 x 20 minutes sharing (reading) books each week • Looking at books together • Practise names and initial sounds of letters both lower case and capital • Look for letters around the home eg in magazines, on cereal packets, etc.
MATHEMATICS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Counting skills • Number recognition 0 - 10 • Shape and size language e.g. triangle, square, bigger than, longer than, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Play this half term's Maths game • Identify shapes e.g. road signs • Look for numbers at home and when out shopping, in the car or on the bus e.g. registration plates)
SCIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking at changes as food is prepared • Tasting new and different foods 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talk about today's snack • Encourage the tasting of different foods
INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of computers and simple programs to develop mouse control • Independent use of CD player and headphones 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If your child has access to a computer encourage him to use the Paint program to draw a picture.
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encouraging independence and developing social skills. • Introduction of class tribe 'Bears' to develop co-operation and caring. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talk about and encourage caring for others, playing together and sharing.
ART / DESIGN TECHNOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing independent use of art and DT materials including glue spreaders and glue, painting materials and junk modelling. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage your child to use scissors in a safe and sensible way to cut pictures from old magazines or cereal boxes, knives to spread butter or jam and potato peelers to help prepare vegetables.