

# People Who Help Us

Reception

Term 2.2

### What do I already know?

- What police officers, firefighters, doctors and teachers do.
- How I can help my friends and family.
- The names of some buildings such as: shops, hospitals and schools.

#### Some books to share

Superhero Like You

By Dr Ranj

People Who Help Us By John Wood



Emergency
By Margaret Mayo

## Important Words -

rescue – to free someone from danger

ambulance — a vehicle used to take people to and from hospital

fire — the hot, bright flames made by things that are burning

hero – a person who is brave and good

courage – to do something difficult even when scared

brave - making good choices when scare



#### **Paramedics**

A paramedic is a person who helps people who have been injured or become\_ill very suddenly. They usually drive an\_ambulance.



### **Firefighters**

Firefighters help to keep us safe. They put out fires using a hose. They wear a fire helmet and a fire suit. Firefighters can also rescue people from accidents.

#### **Doctors and Nurses**

Doctors and nurses help us when we are ill or injured. They find out what is making us ill and help us to get better by giving us medicines or by carrying out operations.



#### Coast Guard

The coast guard rescues people from the sea in a lifeboat. These people might be on a boat that has broken-down or they might be lost at sea.





## Mary Seacole

Mary Seacole was a nurse from Jamaica who went to the **Crimea** when a war started. She wanted to help the hurt soldiers. She was very brave.

Mary Seacole helped many people to get better.

When the Crimean War started in 1853, Mary Seacole went to London to ask if she could go and look after the soldiers in Crimea, but she was told no. Mary Seacole asked to join Florence Nightingale and her team of nurses, but again she was told that she could not go.

Mary Seacole did not give up. She paid to travel to the Crimea on a ship using her own money. When Mary arrived, she set up her own hotel where soldiers could rest and buy food, drink and the things they needed. With the money she got from the hotel, Mary bought medicines to give to the soldiers who were hurt or injured.

Mary was so caring that she became known as, 'Mother Seacole.'





## Hospitals in the Past



Hospitals were dirty and unclean.

Lots of beds in one room so germs spread quickly.

Women were NOT allowed to be doctors.

There was no soap and nurses and doctors did not wash their hands.

Nurses and doctors did NOT wear masks or gloves. Nurses wore long dresses.

There were no windows or toilets.

There are big

windows to let in

light and fresh air.

## **Hospitals Now**

Hospitals are very clean and germs are quickly washed away.

Men and women can be doctors.

There are fewer beds so these are spread out.

Staff wear masks, gloves and aprons so that germs can't spread easily.

Hand washing is VERY important.