

Reception Newsletter

Autumn 2017



The children have settled in really well and they have made an excellent start in all aspects of school life. Thanks also to you as parents and family members for the way you have encouraged your children to line up with the rest of the school each morning. They have adapted to the routine very successfully. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns about your children! We all, like yourselves, want their experience of school to be as positive as possible.

Homework

The Reception children will have the following work to bring home:- Home reading books, phonics work and key words. We would appreciate your valuable support in hearing your children read as often as you can and that they practise their sounds on a daily basis. Other homework will be given as, and when appropriate. Further information will be given at the Curriculum Evening on 19th September, when we will be sharing the teaching methods we use in the Early Years Foundation Stage.

Reading in Class 1

In Class 1 we teach the children to read through Guided Reading sessions delivered each week. The children will also have a home reading book to share with you at home. These books are to reinforce the skills they are being taught in school. The first set of books do not have any text. They are designed for shared discussion between you and your child. The children will then progress onto books with simple words. It is important that your child brings their book into school each day even if they have not finished it— as we will be hearing the children read individually, as well as in their group. The children will be encouraged to place finished reading books in the book basket on Monday and Thursday.

Dates for your diary:

26th September

Reception Parent Visits

3.30pm- 5pm

28th September

Reception Parent Visits

1.30pm- 3.00pm

19th September

Reception Curriculum Evening 7pm

5th October

Harvest Festival 9.10am

Remember to join us on our Welcome Walk at school on Friday 29th September @ 6pm!

Topic Work

Our first Topic is entitled 'Marvellous Me'. The children will be talking about themselves and their families sharing lots of activities together.

PE

Formal PE lessons will be introduced once our routines are established.

Snacks and Drinks

We have a continuous snack system in Class 1. The children are able to have their milk at break time and fruit is available throughout the day. Fresh drinking water is also accessible throughout the day.

Thank you to all our parents for your continued support. As always, if you have any problems do not hesitate to come and see me.

Mr Butt