Meet the Teacher Information Reception



Thank you to all who came to our Meet the Teacher event this morning. Here is a summary of the information we talked through. If you were unable to make the event, please feel free to come to us with any questions throughout the year at the end of the school day.

The Reception team

Yellow Class: Mr Westley

Red Class: Mrs French/Mrs Read

Green Class: Mrs Smith **Phase 1 leader**: Mrs Jeans **Reception Teaching Assistants**:

Miss Beavis Mrs Kaur

Mrs Cheeseman Miss Rowsell Mrs Buckley Mr Black

Miss Crane



Arriving in school

The school day starts at 8.45. Please encourage your child to say goodbye at the door and allow them to enter the classroom by themselves .

Packed lunches

We are a 'Healthy School' so if your child will be bringing a packed lunch please include healthy packed foods such as:

- ✓ sandwich, wrap, pasta, crackers
- ✓ carrot, cucumber, tomatoes
- ✓ fresh or dried fruit
- √ yoghurt
- ✓ biscuit, flapjack, malt loaf

Please try to limit the treats sent into school. Peanut products are not allowed in packed lunches due to severe allergies. Drinks do not need to be sent in from home, as water will be provided for all children at lunchtime.

Responsible behaviour

Our school behaviour policy rewards positive behaviour. One Golden Ticket is given out each day for one learner who has shown they are following the Golden Rules (see picture above). Teachers award dojo points for positive values and learning. Points are linked to our school values and Golden Rules.

Reward bear

Every class has a reward bear. At the end of the day, the child with the Golden Ticket will be selected to take home their class bear. The bear will come home in a bag with a book. Please help your child record what activities they have done with the bear in writing, picture form or with photographs. The bag, bear and book need to be returned the following school day in order for the reward to be given to another child.

WOW Certificates

Please fill out one of the WOW certificates when your child does something amazing at home. These will be shared and celebrated, and displayed in class.

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Home reader books

Home reader books are a selection of books, which your children are free to choose, take home and share with an adult or older sibling. We have system that enables us to track who has which book.

Book bags

We expect all children to have a book bag these are available from the office. However you may provide your own book bag – please make sure it is labelled with your child's name. PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD BRINGS THEIR BOOK BAG IN EVERY DAY – WE ARE NOT ABLE TO SEND BOOKS HOME IF YOUR CHILD DOES NOT HAVE A BOOK BAG.

Reading books

Your child will soon be bringing home a reading book. Please spend a few minutes each day listening to your child read encouraging them to turn the pages independently and point to the words as they read them. Let them talk about the pictures and ask them a few questions about the story when they have finished. Remember to use gentle encouragement and lots of praise. Provided your child brings their book bag to school every day we will aim to hear your child read once a week. In your child's log book we will stick a list of words for your child to practise reading at home.

Uniform

Children need to come to school appropriately dressed – there is an expectation that the children wear school uniform. Shoes need to be sensible – no heels, flip flops, crocs. There will be days that your child will be taking part in messy activities so please bear in mind that although children are provided with aprons their clothes will probably get messy and damp during the school day.

Please label all clothes with your child's name and class

PE

Every child needs a labelled PE kit in a named bag. PE takes place every Monday morning and this term we are focusing on 'following instructions'.

Our curriculum

We will email you at intervals throughout the year so that we can share your child's achievements and progress with you. It is vital therefore that we have your email addresses in order to do this. If you do not have access to a computer/tablet please let us know and you can come in to view your child's profile in school.

Reception topics

Term 1 – Let's take a look at ourselves!

Term 2 – Let's celebrate!

Term 3 –Let's ask for help!

Term 4 - Let's go for a walk!

Term 5 – Let's watch things grow!

Term 6 – Let's go wild!

Home learning

Children will shortly be bringing home Phonics books, which contain the sounds the children have learnt during that week. We will be learning 4 sounds a week and in the books we will indicate on which page to stop.

Postgraduate teacher training students

We are fortunate that three trainees will be working in Reception at different points from September to January.

We are delighted that you have chosen our school and look forward to working with you throughout the year.