

Friday 19th September 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have had a brilliant start to the school year and I am very pleased with how settled and happy each child is coming into school. The class have grown into routines well and it has been lovely to start getting to know all of the children individually.

I thought I would take this opportunity to inform you of what will be going on in Reception. I have attached the curriculum overview for the first half of the Autumn Term.

For the first half of term, PE will take place indoors on Tuesday and Friday mornings, **starting next Tuesday (23rd)**. It is important that your child has their PE kit in school every day which can be left on their peg. This should include indoor shoes (black pumps or white soled trainers), blue shorts, blue jogging bottoms, PE jumper and a house colour t-shirt in their bags. **Please make sure all clothing is clearly named.**

Communication:

Any letters/communication from school will be emailed to you, uploaded to Tapestry or available on our class page on the school website. We are keeping paper copies to a minimum! During the autumn term, each child will be given 2 reading books for the week on a Wednesday which will be changed the following Wednesday. Please use the reading logs which will be sent home to write a small comment when you have read with your child. *This will start after our Phonics evening.*

Morning routine:

All children are in full time! We have an open drop off between 8:30am – 8:40am. **Anyone arriving after 8:40am will be marked as late.** The children have been excellent lining up independently, making their way into school, putting their coats on their pegs and sitting on the carpet ready to learn.

Snack time:

Every morning your child will have the opportunity to have milk/drink and some fruit. We have a good choice of seasonal fruit, but if you would prefer to send a piece of fruit in your child's bookbag that is fine. Milk is free until your child turns 5, when you will be contacted by the company to see if you want to pay for it to continue. There is also a link on our school website to order this.



Birthdays are here to be celebrated and we are more than happy for you to send in cakes on your child's birthday if you so wish!

Lunchtime:

If your child is having a packed lunch, please ensure that it is labelled clearly. We have a policy of no chocolate or sweets in lunchboxes. **Please remember we are a nut free school too.**

***Don't forget to order your child's hot lunch for the following week by Tuesday!**

Hometime:

We will finish school at **3:10pm**. I will bring the class out of the gate to our outside area and onto our collection point on the playground. Please continue to follow the one-way system and stay behind the white line.

Extra Information:

Mrs Phillips will be teaching Ladybird Class on Wednesdays from 11:45am – 3:10pm. She has really enjoyed meeting all the children over the past few weeks and is looking forward to starting some Music and PSHE with them.

We are very lucky to have Mrs Willmott, Miss Price and Miss Castledine supporting our class too.

Show and Tell will begin after half term. Children will have the opportunity to bring in something they have made, achieved or a special souvenir to share with the class. I will send out more information nearer the time.

Please ensure that your child has their book bag, waterproof coat and a drink for the classroom in school every day. Please ask your child to carry their drink bottle as there are often several spillages in book bags! If possible, please refrain from sending in rucksacks as we don't have the space.

If you require any further information, or have any queries or concerns about your child, please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to teaching your child and working alongside you.

Yours sincerely,

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