



Autumn Newsletter

Dates for your diary
 Meet & Greet Parents' Evening is on Tuesday 11th October
 Last day of half-term is Friday 21st October 2022
 Children return on Monday 7th November 2022
 Last day of the Autumn Term is Wednesday 21st December 2022
 Children return on Thursday 5th January 2023



Staff

									
Mrs Jahangeer	Mr Isaaks	Miss Padilla	Mrs Burroughs	Miss Gallagher	Miss Phillips	Mrs Bhatoolaul	Mrs Abdullah	Mr Whitwham	Mr Flissikowski

Reading

All pupils will have a reading book which must be kept in their reading bag or folders and brought into school every day. Pupils may also take a book from the book corner every week. A new book can be taken home only when the previous one is returned. Please read with your child each day and talk to them about their book. They need to understand what they are reading – not just be able to read the words.

Once all our children have settled in, we will be having one reading morning each week at 9.00 until 9.15. Mums, Dads, Nans and Granddads etc. are encouraged to come in and read with their child.

3 STEPS TO INDEPENDENCE

I can go to the toilet by myself, remembering to flush and wash my hands

I can put my coat on and zip it up all by myself

I can tidy away my toys all by myself



Homework

Homework will be sent home each week on a Friday. Please ensure you help your child to complete it and return it to school every Monday. Thank you for continuing to support you child with their homework activities.

Next term, your child will be given a new set of spellings each week; please ensure that their spelling folder is returned every **Thursday**

Communication

Need to talk to your child's teacher?

Remember – you don't need to wait until Parents' Evenings to talk to your child's class teacher. Messages or information can be shared when you drop off /collect your child. If you need a conversation, make an appointment – your child's teacher will normally see you on the same day.

Reminders

- Remember school starts at 9.00am but they can start coming into school from 8:45. Don't be late!**
- P.E. will be on a **Wednesday**; please ensure a full P.E. kit is brought into school, including shorts, tracksuit bottoms, T-shirt and trainers or plimsolls and that it is not worn under their uniform. Jewellery must not be worn at school except for stud earrings which must be removed or covered with plasters for P.E.
 - Please ensure **ALL** of your child's clothing, shoes and all belongings are labelled with their name. It is your child's responsibility to keep their belongings safe. Also, correct uniform must be worn, including black shoes/trainers without laces unless your child can do them independently.
 - Please make sure that your child is wearing appropriate clothing for the weather conditions (hat, coat, gloves etc.).
 - We provide water, milk and fruit daily therefore children do not need to bring any snacks to school.
 - **Please ensure that your child does not play on the outdoor playground equipment before and after school**

Reception Information Autumn Term 2022

Literacy

Children will begin to learn the phonemes from Jolly Phonics, where they will learn the sounds and letters of the alphabet.

The aim is for children to use these to blend simple words (such as 'cat'). Each week we will have a class reader (e.g., Farmer Duck), which the children will read regularly, talk about and write about where appropriate.

Children will be encouraged to use the phonemes they have learned in phonics lessons to write simple words, as well as some basic 'tricky' words (e.g. 'I', 'the').

Expressive Arts and Design

On Wednesday mornings children will have an **art Ms and music Ms session**, in which they will explore their creativity through various mediums, using different materials, tools and instruments. During exploring time children will have the opportunity to create using both art and role play materials. Each class also has an imaginative small world area, in which children can introduce their own narratives into their play.

Communication & Language

This half term we will focus on children's understanding of the new routine and rules of reception. This includes playing alongside other children and getting to know all of the new adults. Children will be encouraged to talk about themselves and use a variety of vocabulary. We introduce new vocabulary every day using children's talk and key words relating to school.

Personal Social and Emotional Development

Children are building their confidence to explore and try new activities in their learning environment. They are also being encouraged to be independent wherever possible, such as keeping the classroom tidy and managing their own possessions. We hold regular circle times to discuss what is going well and to address any difficulties the children may be having.

Physical Development

Every Wednesday children will take part in a PE lesson led by Coach Ugo, in which they will learn various team games and different types of movement. In class we are learning about our routines, including hand washing and keeping clean, and why this is important. Healthy eating is encouraged at lunch time and morning snack time. Each classroom has a 'fine motor table' where activities such as playdough will help to develop or reinforce the children's manipulation of objects, including grip of a pencil.

Maths

The children are learning how to subitise, show a number, using their fingers and objects. They are practising their counting and number formation every day. They will also learn how to match numbers to amounts, as well as to recognise numbers and amounts in their learning environment. They will also explore 2D shapes and talk about what they know or notice.

Understanding the world

Our topic this term is 'All About Me,' Children will be learning about where they come from, their families and how they are similar and different to their peers. Children will be encouraged to describe themselves and see themselves as valuable individuals. We will also learn about festivals; this term will focus on Diwali and how people celebrate it.