



New Beginnings - 2017

As your child is now ready to move into their next year group, we thought that you might want to have a little information to help to prepare both you and them for an exciting and settled start to the Autumn Term in September. We hope that you will find this helpful and informative.

- Your new team are: Mrs Stokes (English lead), Miss Harvey (mathematics lead), Mrs Brown (TA), Mrs Claridge (TA), Mrs Dimmock (TA).
- Please ensure that every item of clothing is named and that bags are too.
- Named water bottles (clear ones please) can be carried in and then they are stored in family group boxes in the classroom.
- We would prefer it if children bring their reading books in a school book bag as opposed to a big rucksack, as our cloak room is tiny and fitting in coats and then other bags is really difficult. School book bags can be kept safely in children's drawers.
- Remember to bring your book bag in on the first day back.
- Please be reminded that Reception do not require a PE kit, they only need trainers when using the astro pitch, which will be kept in school.
- We have the astro pitch on a Monday and Tuesday afternoon and the hall for music and movement on a Thursday morning.
- Children will need named wellies for Forest School which will be kept in school.
- Reading books will be changed once per week and your child will also be able to choose a library book to share with you at home.
- Education City home learning will usually be set once per half term.
- Reception children with siblings will leave school via the double doors leading on to the main playground. Please wait for them here. They will be sent to you by a member of staff. The rest of the children will leave through Nursery door.
- Please let the office or a member of Reception Team know if someone different is picking your child up - their safety at all times is most important to us.
- When dropping off your child in the morning, you must accompany your child to Nursery door as we cannot take responsibility for them until they come through the door where a member of Reception Team will be on duty.

Summer Home Learning

We would like children to complete the booklet 'All About Me'. We would love to see what your child is able to draw and write independently please. We are really looking forward to seeing the photographs of your child reading in all kinds of interesting and unusual places. These will be displayed in our library area for everyone to enjoy. Other things to practise include name writing, letter recognition, counting and number recognition. Enjoy sharing lots of stories and take advantage of local libraries.

Dates for diaries

5th September - children return to school.
13th September - Roald Dahl Dress-up Day fundraiser. **Theme: an animal from a Roald Dahl book or poem.**
18th September - Reception Phonics & Reading workshop - 2pm or 6pm
28th September - school photograph day
2nd October - Reception maths workshop - 2:15pm or 6pm
1st December - Christmas Fayre - 3pm
4th December - Reception Christmas play

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