

Reception Newsletter – Autumn 1

Welcome

Welcome to Rabbits class, where your child's school journey begins. During our first week we will be getting to know the children. Once in full time we will make a start on our first topic 'Let's Investigate Autumn'.

Phonics

We will be following a phonics scheme called 'Little Wandle Letters and Sounds'. Phonics will be taught daily alongside this the children will be applying their phonic knowledge to reading matched decodable books.

For more information www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk

Phonics

Literacy

During our literacy sessions we will be encouraging and supporting the children to write their names, while using a correct pencil grip. The children will also be using their early writing skills within the 'Autumn' topic.



Maths

In maths we will be counting, sorting and ordering numbers to 10 and beyond. Gaining an understanding of one more and one less. Developing the skill of 'subitising' which is the ability to look at a small number of objects and instantly recognise how many objects there are without needing to count. We will also explore and talk about both 2D and 3D shapes.



Communication and language

The children will be encouraged to listen carefully to stories and information shared with them. They will be supported to recap on their learning using any new vocabulary.



Personal, social and emotional development

The children will be supported to make positive relationships with both their peers and the adults in Rabbits class. They will develop an understanding of the school rules as well as the class rules. We will encourage the children to become independent.



Physical development

Within both the indoor and outdoor provision the children will have the opportunity to develop both their fine and gross motor skills using the resources and activities on offer to them daily. The children will have a taught session of PE once a week where they will develop their skills such as catching and throwing.



Understanding the world

Within our 'Autumn' topic the children will learn about the environment what happens as the seasons change. They will get the opportunity to witness this first hand with a walk to the local Kingswood wood.

We will encourage the children to share information about their families and how they celebrate special times in different ways, as well as looking at different countries and cultures.



Helping your child learn at home

Counting games, reading stories together and experimenting with mark making.



Skills Builder

The Skills Builder Universal Framework provides a common language for building essential skills with children and young people.

Research shows that building essential skills supports social and emotional wellbeing, learning and academic outcomes and careers and opportunities



Rewards

The children will receive 'Dojo Points' as reward for good behaviour, work and attitude. Points can be 'spent' on prizes periodically.



Class information

Class Teacher: Mrs Duff

Teaching Assistants: Miss Porch and Mrs Richards

In order to keep books and letters in good condition we ask that all children bring a bag to school every day.

Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan.

We request that all children bring a named water bottle to school every day and as the weather is warmer a sun hat and sun cream.

Please remember if you are making your child a packed lunch, we ask you not to put anything in that contains nuts.



Dates for the diary!

Monday 4th September – Training Day

W/B Monday 11th September - Reception children start- in either am or pm.

Monday 18th September – Y6 Condoover Trip

W/B 18th September – Reception children start full time

Tuesday 26th September – Parents Phonics Workshops 2.00pm & 2.30pm

Thursday 28th September – Parents Phonics Workshops 9.00am & 9.30am

Tuesday 3rd October – Parents Maths Workshops 2.00pm & 2.30pm

Thursday 5th October – Parents Maths Workshops 9.00am & 9.30am

Tuesday 10th October - Parents Evening - 4pm -7pm

Wednesday 11th October - Parents Evening – 3.30pm - 6pm

Wednesday 11th October – Whole school panto – Jack & Beanstalk

W/B 16th October – Parents' Open Sessions (Reading) – days and timings tbc

Thursday 19th October school closes to pupils for Half Term

Friday 20th October – Training Day