


## Welcome to Reception!

We can't wait to meet you in September and wanted to write you a letter to show you what it's like to be in Reception Class at Biddick Hall Infant and Nursery School.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Orange Class</u></b></p>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mrs Brayson</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Yellow Class</u></b></p>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Miss Meads</b></p>
<p>Hello my name is Mrs Brayson and I'm the Orange class teacher. If you are in Orange class you will go in the door on your left hand side as you come in through the reception gate. At home time, we use our classroom doors and will send you home to your adult's, one at a time.</p>	<p>Hello my name is Miss Meads and I'm the Yellow class teacher. If you are in Yellow class you will go in the door on your right hand side as you come in through the reception gate. At home time, we use our classroom doors and will send you home to your adult's, one at a time.</p>

### A Day in Reception

Each day you will say goodbye to your grown up at the door and hang your belongings up on your own peg. Your peg will have your name and photo on it so you can find it all by yourself. Your teacher will be at the door ready to greet you with a smile. Throughout the day you will learn your phonic sounds, have large group time on the carpet and complete small group time activities with your friends and teachers. In both the morning and the afternoon you will get Work Time. Work Time is when you get to choose what activities you want to do and where you want to learn. You can choose inside or outside to play in! During lunch time, Reception children all go into the dinner hall together and choose what they would like to eat. You can carry your own tray and cutlery! We always read the menu each day before lunch time begins and talk about the options. We will put a copy of the menu up in our outdoor notice board in case your parents would like to see what you can have for lunch each day.

### Outdoor area



We have a fantastic outside area that we can use all day long! Usually at some point through the day both Orange and Yellow Class are allowed to mix in this area. If you have friends in a different class this will be when you are able to see them as well as at playtime after dinner. Can you see our herb garden, we use these for playdough and sometimes cooking. You will be able to help look after our outdoor area caring for the plants and looking out for wildlife that enjoy it too. We like to make bird feeders over winter for the birds and look at minibeasts over Summer. There's also a climbing frame, sandpit, tunnel, construction, mud kitchen and water area. We will also set up lots of fun activities over the year to help our learning such as Den building and designing boats that we will sail and race in our water area.

### **Inside our classrooms**

In both classrooms we have a large carpet area where we can sit and learn our phonics, listen to new stories, talk about new topics and sing songs in a circle. We call this "Large Group Time". We learn altogether on the carpet and then go off in small groups to complete our tasks. Sometimes we work with an adult and sometimes we work by ourselves. We have a creative area, writing area, maths area, role play area, playdough area, construction and small world areas for you to learn in. So there is lots of choice for you to choose from. Both classes have a large reading area outside their classrooms for you to use with puppets, story headphones and different types of books. We also have access to computers and Ipads in our classes too! Throughout your weeks in Reception, we will learn about different topics such as Autumn, Harvest, Christmas, Easter, Chinese New Year, People who Help us and many more. Our first topic will be "Wonderful me!" and we will learn all about you and your families.

### **Questions**

We are really looking forward to meeting you all soon and your grown ups too! More information will be sent to your grown up soon about starting times, dates and what class you will be in.

If there is anything more you would like to know about school please ask your grown up to put your questions in an email to our school office with the title "My questions about Reception" and we will make sure we get back to you.

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