

Newsletter

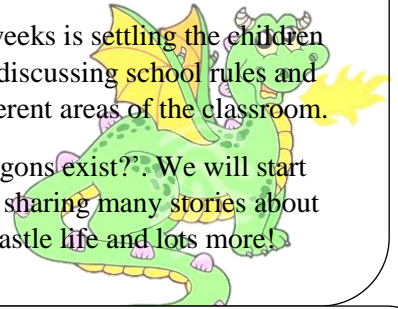
Autumn 2018 – Reception



Welcome to Reception! We would like to introduce you to the Reception team.

Our priority over the next few weeks is settling the children in and we will start the term by discussing school rules and routines and learning in the different areas of the classroom.

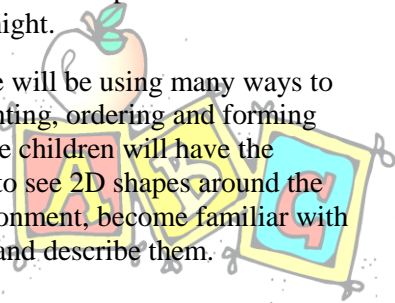
Our first topic is called 'Did dragons exist?'. We will start this topic in week 3. We will be sharing many stories about castles and dragons, exploring castle life and lots more!



In Reception we will consolidate Phase 2 letters and sounds from Nursery. Your child will learn about sounds and words every day and we will provide a range of relevant activities in the classroom to consolidate their learning. As we would like the children to settle in effectively we will not be starting Phonics until week 3.

From the 7th September your child will bring home a school reading book along with a log book to record when they have read at home. A signature and comment is all that is required, we do not expect a full book to be read in one night.

In Maths, we will be using many ways to practise counting, ordering and forming numbers. The children will have the opportunity to see 2D shapes around the school environment, become familiar with their names and describe them.



The children will now be attending Celebration Assembly on a Friday. Every week we select a 'Star of the week' from each class. The children will need to do the following to be eligible:

- **Read 4 times at home**
- **Follow Golden Rules**
- **Wear correct uniform**
- **Have full attendance**

Thank you, Miss Walker, Miss Firman, Mrs Stone & Miss Lewis



Useful Information

- We have a **collection tin** in each of the Reception cloakrooms for contributions towards baking ingredients, making playdough etc. A contribution of **£1 a half term** would be greatly appreciated. Please let your child take a sticker for their contribution.
- Please send in **junk** for our modelling area. We are not allowed to use toilet roll tubes, egg boxes or polystyrene.
- PE day is **Wednesday**, please make sure your child has the correct kit.
- **Homework** will be sent home on a **Thursday and handed in on a Tuesday**.
- Packed lunches should be well balanced with a mixture of savoury and sweet. Packets of sweets or fizzy drinks should not be included as part of a packed lunch. As we have a number of children with peanut allergies no packed lunches should contain nuts, peanut butter sandwiches or Nutella sandwiches.
- Bikes and scooters - For health and safety reasons while inside the school site please can children push scooters and bikes.

Important Dates

- **13th September** – Roald Dahl Day (children to wear a Roald Dahl costume, no superhero costumes please).
- **13th September** – Parents Phonics meeting. 3:15-3:45 Miss Walker's room.
- **19th September** - Website photographs in school.
- **24th September** – Whole School photographs.
- **3rd October** – Harvest Festival Assembly 10:00am. Main school hall. Parents Welcome.
- **8,9,11th October** – Parents Evening.
- **24th October** – Stay and Play 1:30pm
- **26th October** – Break up for half term/Halloween Disco.