

Reception News

Welcome back to the Spring term. We are really looking forward to busy and exciting term ahead and would like to thank you for your ongoing support at home.

Spring Term 2017

Independence, attendance & punctuality

Please continue to support your child to develop their independence by...

- Saying goodbye to your child on the playground so that they can come into the cloakroom and classroom on their own.
- They can also put their book bag in their box and their coat on their peg by themselves. The teaching staff will also be around to support this.
- **Naming clothes** so that they can find their own jumper etc at the end of the day.

School starts at **8:55am**. In the morning, your child will have activities in the classroom to help them settle down quickly **and** develop their skills and knowledge. Please ensure your child gets to school on time so that they do not miss this part of their learning.

For safety, we will lock the cloakroom doors at 9am everyday.

If you arrive after the doors are locked please take your child to the front office so that they can be signed in.

Your child's good attendance at school is essential for their learning and progress.

Cooking donation

Last term we baked bread and Christmas treats! This term we will be doing lots of cooking for our Goldilocks Café. To cover the cost of this, we would really appreciate a £1 donation. We hope you are able to help. Many thanks.

Topics

This term our topics will include...

- Winter
- Goldilocks
- Dear Zoo
- Dinosaurs

Please remember to talk to your child about what they have been learning. We try to update our blog and Twitter page regularly—so keep checking!

Home learning

We send weekly home learning with ideas for activities that your child can do at home.

Your job!

- Read with your child **everyday**. This makes a HUGE difference! Don't forget to use Bug Club as this is a very popular reading tool, more information on the reverse of this letter.
- Explain the homework to your child and encourage them to complete it, either independently or with your support.
- Feedback to us about how they are getting on at home through conversations, Wow moments, class email or on the homework feedback sheet.
- Come and talk to us if you are unsure of anything or have any concerns about their learning.



The Reception PE Days for this half term are:

RLJ: Wednesday (indoor)

RTR: Friday (indoor)

Please leave your child's P.E kit in school. We will send them home at the end of half-term.

This half term your child will need named shorts and a named t-shirt for PE.

This should be purchased from the office for £5 and their T-shirt will be in their house colour.

Forest learning



Forest learning was fantastic in the Autumn term, and the weather was kind! It has already turned colder so please make sure your child is appropriately dressed on their forest school day. They may need a scarf, hat, gloves, warm thick socks, an extra jumper or fleece and a coat. We provide waterproof trousers and jackets, but these do not protect against the cold.

We would love your help—please come forest learning with us!

Important Dates

Monday 23rd January for RTR or Tuesday 24th January for RLJ—Bring a Bear to breakfast (children come to school at the normal time and bring their teddy bears to school for breakfast!)

Tuesday 31st January - Maths Parent Workshop (9:10am)

Friday 10th February— Goldilocks Café (9:15am) Parents invited!