



Reception Newsletter

Friday 11th September 2026

Weekly Message

It has been a busy and exciting first full week in Reception and the children have done so well!

We have been practising our '5 star sitting/check' for when we are in lessons. We have been writing our names on our first day photos, developing our fine motor skills and becoming familiar with the classrooms, playground and school routine. We have had a tour around the school and enjoyed our first music lesson and PE session. The children have been learning the faces and names of staff in the school and their new class mates. We have spent lots of time getting to know each other and playing games to learn each other's names and our favourite things from favourite animal to favourite food!

As we settled into our first week, we have been reading a variety of stories, including All are Welcome and Our Class is a Family, as we discuss starting school, as well as singing lots of songs together!

Staff:

Butterfly class teacher: Miss Inchley. Class TA: Lis (Monday to Thursday) and Belinda (Friday morning)

Ladybird class teacher: Miss Jukes. Class TA: Ginny

Please Note: If your child is happy and confident to walk in on their own in the morning, they are welcome to go straight into the classroom rather than waiting outside. This helps make the morning drop-off a little easier and less busy for everyone.

A peek at the week

Next week, we will be starting Phonics, we will begin by learning a new sound each day. The sounds we will be learning are s, a, t, p and i.

In Maths, we will be working on subitising (this is when you say the number that you see, for example, seeing 3 dots and saying there are 3, without counting.)

Our focus story will be, Big Feelings and What They Tell Us. We will be discussing the different emotions we may feel, identifying them and understanding what we can do to manage these feelings and finding strategies to self-regulate.



EYFS Donations

- Flour
- Pasta
- Rice

Reminders

On **Wednesdays** we will do book change, so please make sure you send in your child's green book bag so we can send home a story book.

Please make sure you are sending your child in with a **water bottle** and if you are providing a snack, please ensure it is either **fruit or vegetables**. If you are packing grapes for your child, please cut them in half. Thank you!

Home Learning

Can you encourage your child to practice putting their coat on all by themselves.

At school the children choose their lunch and carry their own plate to their table. Could you find opportunities to allow your child to carry their plate to the table, reminding them to use two hands.