



# EYFS

## Nursery and Reception Newsletter

Welcome back after the summer holidays! We have had a fantastic start to the new year and the children have settled in brilliantly!

### Topic

This term our topic will be Me and the Amazing World around me! We will begin the topic by children sharing their summer challenges and stories. We will then be thinking about our selves and what makes us Amazing!

We will be learning all about ourselves, our bodies, our families and what makes us special. We will be learning about our homes and the area where we live. This will lead us on to looking at how our environment changes as Autumn begins. We will have an Autumn walk in the woods and parks during which the children will be looking at seasonal change and signs of Autumn and enjoying stories such as Leaf Man and we are going on a leaf hunt. We will also read stories about the woodlands and learn all about bears by reading lots of

stories and we might even go on a bear hunt!

We will also be learning about different celebrations such as Harvest, Halloween

and Christmas!

See the curriculum plan attached for more details.

### Session times:

Please note that all children in Reception will be collected from the pencils at 8:45 unless they have attended breakfast club. If you are late for any reason please phone school and bring your child to the school office where they will be accompanied to their class. Reception school day ends at 3:00 where they can be collected from the EYFS door.

### Nursery Hours

The session times are 12.15-30 drop off and 3.00pm-3.15pm pick up. Please support your child by encouraging them to find their own peg, hang their own coats up and find their own name label when coming to Nursery—this will really help them with recognizing their name ready for learning to write it.

### EYFS Fund

We are still continuing with our 50p per week snack fund. Please tick off your child's name each week when paid and put the money in the pot thank you!

### Reading at home

Reading at home is such an important part of you child's education and is a great support to them. Sharing stories, making up stories to match pictures and beginning to read letters and words is such a vital stage in your child's Literacy development and your support is greatly valued! Thankyou!

### Reception Book bags

Please bring your child's book bag everyday and put it in the box provided. Each night if they could share their story and begin to practise their letter sounds this would be fantastic. A separate letter will follow explaining how you can support your child at home with their reading and there will be a meeting to explain how we teach reading in school and what you can do at home to help your child.

Please sign their yellow book if possible and we would love to hear your comments about their reading. If children can read at home three times in one week, they will be entered into our school book draw with a chance to win a book in assembly on Friday.

### Home loan

We also have a home loan book shelf in the cloak room. Nursery and Reception children are invited to borrow books from school to share at home—please sign the book on the stand in the cloak room when borrowing or returning books.

Children will be given a book to draw pictures about their stories and parents please feel free to add comments about what your child said about the stories you share together. In Nursery, we will collect these books in each Thursday for your child to share what you have been reading at home with their friends. Please let me know if you have misplaced your home loan book, so we can replace it.



### Special points of interest:

- ☺ PE will take place on a Wednesday and Friday afternoon.
- ☺ Can all reception children make sure that they have a P.E kit on their pegs every day. This should include shorts, T shirt and trainers/plimsols. Please ensure children are wearing school uniform and no jewellery.
- ☺ We are holding a Read Write Inc meeting/Reading at home meeting for all parents in Reception who would like to find out more. The meeting will be Wednesday 18th September at 2.30pm.

### Clothing

Thankyou for ensuring that all children come to school in uniform and we do our best at all times to protect these using overalls or aprons. However, from time to time they can get messy in our learning environment due to the nature of how children learn at this age. Thankyou for your support with this. Can we also ask that parents please make sure children have names in all items of clothing including t-shirt, jumpers, trousers and P.E kits. We appreciate you spend a lot of money on uniform and like to look after them but having names in clothing really helps us with this.

### Help

We are always looking for empty boxes, kitchen roll tubes etc for the gluing area. Please donate any of these that you may have at home. We would also appreciate donations of old board games (with all pieces) such as Connect 4 or Snakes and Ladders if anyone has any spare at home.

### Finally

For an over view of the year's topics please see the school website but we will send out a class newsletter each term to keep you up to date.

If anyone has any questions or problems please do not hesitate to speak to myself Mrs Jones or Miss Schumm. We are available at the end of every day and will do our best to support families in any way we can.

Thank you Mrs Jones and Miss Schumm

### Dates

Here are a few important dates for EYFS Autumn term...

Wednesday 18th September—RWInc parents meeting

Monday 7th October—Healthy schools week

Monday 14th October—Parents open evening

Thursday 24th October—Halloween disco

Friday 25th October—Harvest Festival / Break up for half term.

Monday 4th November—School photographs

Thursday 28th November— Craft family afternoon

Tuesday 10th December—Reception Christmas performance

Thursday 12th December—Nursery carols around the tree.

Monday 16th December—Christmas Fayre.

Thursday 19th December—EYFS Christmas party (Nursery to attend morning session this day)