

Reception Newsletter

20th September 2024

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Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 25th September 4.15 - 5 pm	Reception Curriculum Induction
The Month of October	Black History Month
Friday 18th October	Break for Half Term
Friday 1st November	School Closed for INSET day



Welcome from our Head of Year - Nia Horan



We have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know our Reception children over the past two weeks and observing your children gain confidence in their new environment and reconnect with old friends as well as build new friendships with their new peers.

Now that our children have all been welcomed, we thank you again for your patience during our gradual settling in period. Having a parent or family presence to support with making that step into the unknown is really empowering for little ones and we have greatly enjoyed getting to know you. Our parent and teacher relationship is crucial in ensuring that your child settles and feels safe in school. We will work closely together during their Reception year and you will be amazed at how your child develops during this very special and unique year.

The early years are a magical time for many reasons and we cannot wait to get started! We will ensure that we take care of your children and always keep their best interests at the heart of all that we do. There is a huge amount of information to share and absorb. Please always speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance who will happily support you with any questions or concerns.



Reception Curriculum Induction

What: Reception Curriculum Induction to talk parents through our curriculum and support with early reading and phonics.

Where: In your child's classroom. There is limited space so this is adult only, where possible only 1 adult per family to attend due to space.

When: Wednesday 25th September 4:15-5pm



Helpful information



PE sessions

These are on **Tuesday morning** with Mr Robinson and Mr Spencer. Your child's kit will remain in school, in their locker and we will return this to you at the end of each half term to be washed.

Tapestry:

We hope you have been able to download The Tapestry app which will allow you to view your child's online learning journey, through photos, videos, commentary and notes.

We use Tapestry to capture your child's learning. To understand more about what Tapestry is, please follow the link below.

What is Tapestry Online?

Please look out for an email with a Tapestry activation link to start your Tapestry journey.



Voluntary Fund

Each term, we invite families to make a voluntary contribution of £5 to fund additional projects such as craft activities and baking that we would really like to do more of during your child's Reception year. This payment can be made on School Spider.



Helpful information



Reading Books

We change reading books **every Friday**. Please ensure that your child brings their book bag, reading record and books to be changed in a Beaver Road book bag.



Staffing

Our Reception staff team is now fully in place, we welcome Miss Iqbal who will be supporting RO and Miss Mason who will be supporting RH. Both Miss Iqbal and Miss Mason have recently graduated from university and will be working with us this year at Beaver Road to develop their knowledge and experience of education.



Labelling clothing:

Please can you ensure that all items of uniform, outdoor clothing, shoes, water bottles and lunch bags are clearly marked with your child's name. It is impossible to reacquaint children with cardigans / jumpers if they are unnamed. Marking your child's name with biro washes off easily so we recommend using stickers or stamps to use to label. Here are some links to some websites that you may find useful:

Stampastic

<https://stampastic.co.uk/?srsId=AfmBOoqlGkaTVIzqrPvv2M6yeK6XEoZ-4EEukE9nLpDBF9Llg1XhLVFI>

Stikets

<https://www.stikets.co.uk/name-labels.html>

You can also buy personalised stickers on Amazon.

