



Year R Newsletter Autumn 1

Information

Reading

Reading is one of life's most important skills and reading for pleasure can have a huge impact on your child's educational performance. Therefore, we put a great deal of emphasis on not only teaching children to read but also encouraging a love of stories and books. Please take every opportunity you can to share books with your child at home and help them to become a confident and enthusiastic reader.

Writing

Please continue to support your child to practice writing their name at home. Please use the name cards provided in your welcome pack to ensure the correct formation of the letters.

Spare change of clothes:

Please can all parents provide a spare change of clothes that will stay in school in case of any accidents. These should be in a named bag separate from their book bag.

Scrap books:

Please ensure that your child's family scrapbook is in school for us to use. We will send them home during half terms for you to add to and return to school. They are a lovely opportunity for us to read and share with your children, for them to see pictures of their families and share with their friends.

Lunches:

Our lunch menu is available on the NFIS website. Please look at this with them and help them to select what they would like each day, making the selection for them on Arbor in advance.

Medical appointments:

All appointments must be communicated to the school office with proof of the appointment. All medication needs to be handed into the office and the appropriate forms completed.

Donations:

We are always in desperate need of resources to replenish what we use in the classroom. If you have any materials we can use for junk modelling or arts and crafts supplies e.g. empty boxes, toilet rolls, egg boxes, cardboard, string, sellotape, sequins, tissue paper etc, please bring them in. If you have any other items you feel we may be able to use, please kindly ask. Thank you.

Theme

Our theme this term is 'All about me' and 'Autumn'. Look out for our curriculum map to see what we will be doing this half term.

Key Dates

Friday 19th September: Meet the teacher 9am

Tuesday 21st October: Parents evening

Wednesday 22nd October: Parents evening

Friday 24th October: Inset day (school closed)

Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October: Half term (school closed)

Monday 3rd November: Inset day (school closed)

Contacting us

We will have a message book by the blue gate when you drop off your child in the morning. If your child is being picked up by somebody else, please write it in the book (or alternatively let the office know).

Your child's wellbeing and happiness is our primary concern and so if you have any worries or questions, please speak to us or arrange an appointment for a chat. We want to ensure that the transition into reception is as easy as possible for everyone.