



Year R Newsletter Autumn 2

Information

Reading

Your child has been bringing home their phonics box with the newly taught sounds. Please continue to practise these with your child. The children will soon be assessed and your child may start to bring home a book. Please listen to your child read every day, and ensure this book comes into school every day for their phonics lesson. Please continue to take every opportunity you can to share a variety of books with your child at home and help them to become a confident and enthusiastic reader.

Writing

Please continue to support your child to practise forming their letters correctly using the rhymes and cards in their phonics boxes. Please support them to hold their pencil correctly using 'nip it, flip it, grip it'.

Winter clothes:

As we are now fast approaching winter, please remember to send your child into school with a clearly labelled coat. If your child is also coming in with a hat, scarf and gloves, please also ensure they are labelled. We will encourage the children to store these either in their coat pockets or in their drawers to minimise the risk of missing items.

Drop off

The doors open at 8:45am and close at 8:55am, when the children come in at 8:45 they have 15 minutes of funky fingers fine motor activities, if your child is arriving as the gate is closing they might miss out on some of those essential skills.

PE and Library

Our Library day will continue to be a Wednesday - please ensure your child comes to school with their book and folder each week.

Our PE day will now be a Thursday. Please ensure they come to school wearing their PE kit including shorts with tracksuit bottoms on top and earrings removed.

Scrap books:

Please ensure that your child's family scrapbook is returned to school for us to use.

Birthdays

Just a reminder that due to allergies and being a healthy school, we don't allow any treats to be brought in. Instead, your child can bring in their favourite book to share with their class, if you would like to donate it you may but it is not necessary.

Theme

Our theme this term is 'Outdoor Adventure and Space'
Look out for our curriculum map to see what we will be doing this half term.

Key Dates

Friday 14th November: Walk to Community gardens

Wednesday 19th November: Stargazing

Friday 28th November: Opal Parent play session

Wednesday 10th December: Christmas performance

Thursday 11th December: Christmas performance

Wednesday 17th December: Christmas crafts for parents and children.

Friday 19th December: End of term (school finishes at 1:15pm)

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, masking tape, 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.