



Curriculum News

Spring 1 - EYFS



Code of Conduct

- Keep yourself and others safe
- Be kind and gentle
- Talk to an adult if you feel angry, hurt or frightened
- Always tell the truth
- Respect yourself and others

Things to remember:

- We encourage parents and carers to ensure children wear clothes to school that they can manage themselves. Items with easy fastenings and Velcro shoes enable independence. This is a key part of the EYFS.
- Children should have a PE kit in school at all times. This should consist of soft clothes such as a t-shirt and jogging bottoms/leggings.
- Your child should bring their book bag and water bottle to school everyday.
- We use our outdoor area everyday so please make sure your child has a warm coat and suitable shoes.
- If you are not collecting your child please inform the office and let your child's class teacher know who will be picking them up.

Diary Dates

Parent Workshops

E-safety parent workshop

Thursday 12th January - 9am

Reading workshop for Reception parents and carers

Thursday 26th January—2.30pm

Tuesday 31st January

Healthy Snacks Workshop—9am

Phonics

Children in **Nursery** will be learning to differentiate between different sounds with activities that enable them to practise the following:

- Showing an awareness of rhyme and alliteration
- Distinguishing between sounds in the environment and phonemes (sounds letters make)
- Discriminating speech sounds in words

Children in **Reception** will begin to learn the letter sounds in accordance with Phase 3 of Letters and Sounds. They will use the sounds they have learnt to begin reading simple words and sentences. They will also learn 'tricky words' that cannot be sounded out phonetically such as **was, they, all** and **you**.

Parental Involvement and Weekly Learning

An essential part of the EYFS is finding out what your child does at home. Please take the time to complete a Learning Journey page with your child. We will continue to send home 'Proud Clouds' for you to share significant moments in your child's development.

We would love to welcome you into our classroom to talk to the class about your job, a hobby or skill you may have, a festival you may celebrate or to read a story. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you would like to be involved.

For your child's development it is essential that they have daily reading experiences at home where they can listen to, read and discuss books.

Unwanted Items!

If you are having a New Year clear out at home please feel free to send in any old, unwanted items you no longer need that we can make use of at school—especially for our mud kitchen! We love using pans, spoons, jugs, spatulas, sieves, bowls, plates, sinks — anything you use in your kitchen at home!



Trips and Visits

This half term Reception children will be finding out about 'People who help us'. To link with this topic we will be inviting in local members of the community to talk about their job.

