

# Reception Newsletter: Term

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers of Reception Children,

Welcome to the first term of Oak class! It has been fantastic to meet the children and get to know them during visits and stay and play sessions. I'm very excited about our year ahead and the journey we are going to take together this year. This newsletter will give you an overview of some of the key things happening this term.

In Reception, all children are entitled to a free school lunch. These healthy and nutritious lunches are cooked fresh every day onsite. Lunches needed to be selected in advance via your child's Parent Pay account. If you have any problems doing this, please see the front office.

## Bookbags:

Children need to bring a book bag in every day. Please check it daily, as there may be messages about upcoming events. To buy a bookbag, please speak to the front office.

## Reading:

Developing a love of reading is such a valuable part of children's lives and we really focus on developing this during the Reception year. Please share books at home with your child, even if they are not yet reading words – it all helps. We expect adults to read at home with their children at least three times a week. Children will take home a library book which is a story to share together. They will soon also be bringing home a phonics reading book which will be matched to your child's current level. Initially children will bring home wordless books. These books will be changed weekly.

**Reading records must be in school every day regardless of whether your child has read or not.**

## P.E:

P.E will be on a **Monday morning** and **Wednesday afternoon**. Children will need to ensure they wear their P.E kit into school. Kits are white top and black jogging bottoms/shorts/leggings and appropriate footwear.

King regards, Lucy Hughes



## Key Dates:

16.09.24 – PE lessons start (continue every week).

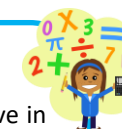


## English and Phonics

**Core text:** "we are going to find the monster" by Malorie Blackman and Dapo Adeola.

**Poetry:** jack be nimble, hey diddle diddle, hickory dickory dock, little miss Muffet.

**Phonics:** In term 1 we will start a 'phase 2 phonics' early in the term. Children will be introduced to a sound a day and we will practice reading and writing these. A list of tricky words and sounds will be sent home in bookbags later in the term, please practice these sounds at home as it will help to support your child's development.



## Mathematics

**Core Maths lessons** – we will be learning about the different resources we have in the classroom and how we can use them to help us with our maths works. We will also be singing lots of maths songs. Additionally in we are also comparing size, mass and capacity, as well as exploring pattern.

**Oracy** – we will be learning how to talk in partners and groups on the carpet, discussing and debating mathematical questions.

## Wider Curriculum:

This term we will explore 'Wonderful Me'. We will be celebrating all the aspects that make us unique. We will create self-portraits and look how we are similar and different to our friends in our likes, dislikes, hobbies, celebrations and families. In our setting, we will be exploring all the different aspects of our setting and learning skills to get the most out of the different areas.

