



## Summer 1 Newsletter

I hope everyone has had a great break. The weather was lovely we were really lucky. We are excited to be back and looking forward to lots of outdoor learning and getting our garden planted up. The children will be very excited as our frog spawn has hatched and the pond is full of tadpoles.

The adults that will be working in Acorn Class this half term are Mrs Simmons, Mrs Mosley and Mrs Butler (Friday PM). We are lucky enough to have 2 new teaching students joining us for the summer term. And Lilly will continue to work with us on a Thursday and a Friday.

This half term we will be learning about journeys, plants, mini beasts and the Queens Jubilee. As always, we will also be following the children's interests. There is a copy of what we will be learning in the curriculum section of the class page.

### New School Start Times

Reception will start at 8.50am each morning and our day will finish at 3.25pm. Drop off and collection routines remain the same.

### PE

As you might have seen on the school newsletter. Children are now required to get changed for PE in school. Please can your child have a PE kit on their peg. Our PE session this term is on a Thursday.

Please can you make sure that all kit is labelled and that the children are familiar with what is in the PE bag.

### **Phonics**

This half term we will be consolidating Phase 3 sounds and beginning to look at Phase 4. There are no new sounds now until Year 1 but there are some new tricky words.

### **Building Independence**

This term we will continue to help the children to become more independent learners in readiness for Year 1. We will continue to have a busy job that the children access independently on arrival to school. We will also continue with our Rainbow Challenges.

### **Home Learning Books**

Each week I will send home an optional piece of home learning which will be linked to your child's individual learning needs. Please can books be returned to school on a Monday and then I can have a look at them and will return them on a Tuesday or Wednesday for the new week.

### **Reading:**

- Books will continue to be changed weekly depending on team colour.
- Thank you for your feedback on Tapestry.
- Don't worry we will keep a record of books that the children have read at school.
- It is really important to read with your child for about 10 minutes each day.
- When your child moves onto reading books it is important that they read them more than once over the week as this helps to consolidate their learning from school and increase fluency and confidence.

### **Book Changing Days:**

**Monday- Red**

**Tuesday- Green**

**Wednesday- Yellow**

Thursday- Blue

### Tapestry

Your child's journey through Reception involves team work. Please send observations of things that your child gets up to it is lovely to see and can help to inform their profile.

### Other Information

Please can you make sure that drinks bottles do not go into book bags as they always leak.

Please can you make sure your child has a coat in school every day as we are outside whatever the weather.

If you have any questions or worries please feel free to come and talk to me, drop me an e mail or message me on Tapestry.

Many thanks

Mrs Simmons