

Reception - Mrs Long

Autumn Term 2024-25



Welcome to Reception!

This term our topics will be **Once Upon a Time** and **Culture and Traditions**.

The first topic supports children to develop a love of stories and reading. It encourages children to learn, retell and act out familiar and traditional tales including Cinderella, Goldilocks and The Gingerbread man. Our second topic will be teaching us about different cultures and about world traditions and celebrations. During this topic, we will be exploring Science and Technology Statement of What Matters 2 and Health and Wellbeing statements of what matters 4: Social Influence: Concept: Attitudes and Values.

As always we will be following the children's interests throughout the topic and encouraging them to be independent and creative learners.

Please keep your eye on our Twitter page to see updates of what your child is doing in school. (Twitter name - @ParcLewis)

School times

Reception children should arrive at school **8.45-8.55am**. Children should be collected at **3.15pm**.



Clothing

Please make sure that all items worn or brought to school have your child's name on them. Children should come in to school in a sensible coat and shoes. Please bring a bag of spare clothes to be left in school for your child.



Welly Walks

We will be going on weekly welly walks. Please send in a pair of wellies to be kept school. Wellies should be in a bag and have your child's name on.

PE

PE sessions for Reception will be **every Friday**. On Fridays, children should come in to school dressed in their PE kit - t-shirt, joggers/leggings and trainers (no laces please).

No earrings to be worn on PE days.



Reading books

Reception children will take home Oxford Reading Tree books which should be brought in to school with your child's reading record on their reading day. Please try to read with your child as often as you can.



Read Write Inc

Reception children will be placed in groups for Read Write Inc. In these groups they will learn new sounds and how to blend and segment words. Please support your child at home by practising these sounds and words.



B.E.A.R. Club

Your child will have a B.E.A.R Club book to bring home, please return the book and bag to school every **Wednesday**.

Snack

In the Foundation Phase we have healthy snack in class every day. Snack must now be paid at the beginning of each half term. **£8** for this half term should be brought in to school in an envelope with your child's name on. **If we have not received money by Friday 6th September then we will presume you are providing your own snack.**



If your child brings their own snack in to school then please remember that this must be **fruit, vegetables or breadsticks only (no salted or cheese crackers please)**. Please put your child's name on their snack.

Please send a water bottle with your child's name on in to school with your child. **This must contain water, not squash or juice.** We will send water bottles home every day to be washed and refilled.

Supporting your child

Please encourage your child to be independent by dressing and undressing themselves and teaching them how to put their own coat on and do their zip up.

Please support your child's development at home by reading stories with them, singing songs and playing games.

Thank you for your continuing support. Don't forget that if you have any questions or concerns then please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff.

Mrs Long - Teacher

Mrs Thomas - Nursery Teacher

Miss Dumphy-Wise, Mrs Picton, Miss Sibley and Miss Hanford - Support Staff