

# Reception Curriculum Meeting

Teacher: Mrs Blackwell

LSA: Mrs Amodeo



# Expectations

- All children have a responsibility to live out our Mission Statement:  
*'We come to school to live and learn happily together by loving ourselves and each other as Jesus teaches us.'*
- Children are expected to follow our school rules as well as class rules. Class rules are created with the help of the children.
- Children are also expected to follow the school's Golden Rule:  
*'Treat others as you would like to be treated.'*



# Expectations

- Children should be dressed smartly in full school uniform: No trainers or light up shoes. (If new shoes are needed, only plimsolls should be worn in their place).
- Hairstyles including coloured extensions, hair pieces etc. are not acceptable, neither is gelled hair. Hair that is below the collar must be tied back at all times, with a plain navy or black hair band for both boys and girls. Boys should have a standard school haircut, not fashion related haircuts.
- Earrings are to be plain studs (no coloured, large, decorative studs, hooped or dangly earrings).
- ***Please refer to our School Uniform Policy which can be found on our website for further uniform details.***

# Independence

- Children need to be independent in the Reception classroom.
- Independence skills include:
  - Taking off/putting on own coat
  - Taking off/putting on own cardigan or jumper
  - Managing their own clothes when going to the toilet
  - Using a knife and fork at lunchtime
  - Tidying up after themselves

# Daily Timetable

- Children will complete Literacy, RE and Phonics lessons in the morning as well as Child Initiated Learning to apply the skills they have been taught in lessons.
- Children will complete a second Phonics session and a Maths lesson as well as Child Initiated Learning in the afternoon.
- We follow the Twinkl Phonics scheme. The formal teaching of Phonics will begin just before half term, once I have completed the baseline assessments.
- PSHE and Wellbeing lessons and assemblies will also be taking place over each half term.



# Signpost

- Every Friday afternoon, I will upload a Signpost to our class page on the school website.
- The Signpost will detail your child's learning during the week. It also contains Parent information that you may need to be aware of.
- Please read this weekly so you know what is happening in the classroom!

# P.E.

- P.E. takes place twice a week on a Monday and Wednesday.
- Children will come to school dressed in their full PE kit on these days.  
***Please label every item of clothing!***
- All children will be wearing the new blue P.E. t-shirt rather than their house colour t-shirt when a new t-shirt is purchased.

# Snack, Lunch and Water

- Fruit is provided each day for the children.
- Packed lunches should be healthy and nutritious. Children will bring home any food they have not eaten.
- Please ensure your child brings in a drinking bottle filled **only** with water each day. Please put your child's name on their bottle.
- We have our own toilets in the classroom. Children are able to use them whenever they need to.



# Homework

- Homework will begin at the end of this half term, once I have carried out my baseline assessments.
- This will initially consist of the Phonics sounds that had been taught that week. This is to ensure the consolidation of the sounds taught and to practice cursive letter formation.
- Homework will be sent out on a Friday and is to be returned on a Wednesday.

# Reading

- When Reading books are given, these will be changed on Monday and will be kept for the whole week – this is to ensure fluency and understanding.
- Books will need to be brought into school every day so that we are able to read and record when we have read with your child in school.
- Shared reading should take place at home every day for approximately 10- 15 minutes. Please provide a comment in your child's Reading Record to inform us how your child has got on.
- School Library visits also take place once a week. Please ensure your child brings their Library book back each week so that it can be changed. (Library day to be confirmed).
- Please ensure reading at home becomes part of your regular routine... I will ask for a meeting if this is not happening. Reading together at home creates a love for reading which in turn creates a good learner and writer!



# Prayer Book

- We have a class Prayer Book. This will be sent home every Friday with the child who is celebrated in the Gold Book.
- Please talk to your child about a short prayer they would like to say/write. Please feel free to scribe for your child at this point in the year. Encourage them to draw a picture to go with their prayer.
- The Prayer Book will need to be returned by Wednesday of the following week. I will share your child's prayer with the rest of the class.
- Thank you for your support in ensuring this happens.

# School Trip

- I am planning a trip towards the end of the Summer term. This will be linked to a topic we have covered in class.
- Payments for the trip will be made through Arbour.
- Details will be sent to you in due course.



# Meetings

- Parent Consultations will take place in October and March.
- If there is anything that needs to be discussed before this, you can book an appointment directly with me or through the office.
- Thank you for your co-operation and I look forward to working with you throughout the year.

# Label Everything!

PLEASE LABEL ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING,  
BAGS, LUNCH BOXES AND BOTTLES!



Any questions?

