



Foundation Autumn Newsletter



Our first week in school is over and we are so pleased at how well all of the children have settled into school. They have adapted to the routines and all seem keen to stay in school and join in with all of the activities.

Please find attached a question and answer sheet which we thought maybe helpful to you. If you do have any other questions please do not hesitate to contact us to arrange a meeting at a convenient time.

This term we will be looking at ourselves; including our favourite things and our families. We will talk about Autumn and Winter, space, people who help us and look closely at a variety of festivals and celebrations, such as Diwali, Hanukkah, Fireworks Night and Christmas. Other topics may arise, it very much depends what the class are interested in and where they would like to take their ideas!

We will send out a newsletter once a term to keep you informed about what we are doing in the Foundation Stage and any important information you need. We will be having parent teacher meetings later in the term where we can discuss with you what your child can do and what we have planned their next steps to be. The autumn term ends with the Christmas nativity play which we perform with Year 1 and 2.



Parents: a couple of reminders...

- Please can you provide your child with a snack to eat during afternoon play time. We are part of the 'Healthy Schools' initiative and we ask that this is a healthy snack such as a piece of fruit or vegetable.
- We request that all items of uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name, including PE kits. Often children will be wearing the same size jumpers and without names we cannot tell who they belong to.
- Please remember that the class water bottle must only contain water! We will be checking them regularly and emptying out anything that isn't water.
- With the autumn weather fast approaching please provide children with a rain-coat and named wellington boots, even if the weather in the morning looks fine. We like to take our learning outside and children may miss out as we do not have spare sets for the whole class.
- Please remember that from Monday, September 10th, you will need to collect your children from the Foundation playground gate at 3:10. Please try and stay as close to the fence as you can so we can see you more easily.

We look forward to the term and getting to know you and your child.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Acheson and Mrs. Godfrey

Answers to questions that you might have had.

Q.1 My child seems upset when I leave them, are they enjoying school?

Please do not worry if your child occasionally becomes upset at leaving you, it doesn't mean they don't like school and are not having a lovely time. Often children feel as though they might be missing out on things at home and want to stay with you. Please be assured that if your child is upset at school we will contact you to let you know, and no news is good news!

Q.2 What happens if my child has a toileting accident?

We have clean changes of uniform at school and we place your child's clothes in a carrier bag for them to take home. Please can you return any borrowed clothes as soon as possible as we only have a limited amount.

Q3. What happens if my child hurts themselves at school?

It depends on the injury as to what we will do at school. If it is a bumped head, your child will have a white sticker placed on their top which notifies staff to keep an eye on them. You will receive a bumped head letter informing you what happened and what to look out for when they are at home. If a child falls over and has a cut or graze they will be taken to the medical room and the first aid person on duty will deal with the wound and record it in the first aid book.

If an injury is more severe and cannot be treated by the first aid person we will phone to inform you and decide the next steps. This is why it is vital we have up to date contact details for yourself or any other person who can come to collect your child in case of emergencies.

Q4. What happens if I have been caught in traffic and I am late picking up my child?

Your child is taken into the school office and a member of staff will watch them there until you arrive. Please phone ahead if possible and then we can pre-warn your child and relieve any worries they might have.

We hope you find this helpful. If you have any other questions you would like answered please send them in and we will include them in the next newsletter, thank you.