Reception Information Booklet



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Reception! We are delighted to be teaching your children this year and we are looking forward to seeing your child develop and flourish with us.

Reception is made of two classes:

- Caterpillars (REH) Mrs Harrison
- Ladybirds (RPH) Mrs Houghton

Both classes are supported by Mrs Bader and Mrs Lehal.

School day

It is important for your child to attend school every day. School starts at 8.45am. Please arrive at the Reception playground on or before this time so we can go in to school promptly. At 3.10 pm, your child will be ready to be collected from the same playground.

Daily essentials

Please can your child bring the following to school each day:

- 1. water bottle filled with water, no squash please
- 2. book bag
- 3. packed lunch if needed (with a separate drink)
- 4. a coat suitable for the weather conditions
- 5. a change of clothes in case of accidents (this can be left on their peg)

Uniform

It has been great to see so many children looking smart in uniform! Our uniform consists of grey trousers or skirt, a bottle green jumper or cardigan, white shirt or polo shirt and a green checked summer dress. This should be worn each day.

House points

Every child at school is a member of a house. There are 4 houses based on Leicester's sporting teams:

- 1. Foxes blue
- 2. Tigers green
- 3. Panthers black
- 4. Riders red

Your child will receive a house point when they have achieved something fantastic at school. When they have filled a house point card, they will receive a certificate in assembly.

P.E.

Our P.E. days are *Wednesday* and *Friday*. P.E. kit consists of:

- black joggers, leggings or shorts
- trainers or plimsolls
- house coloured t-shirt

Each child has been gifted a t-shirt in their house colour to wear for P.E. (red for riders, blue for foxes, green for tigers and black for panthers). Please send your child in their colour t-shirt for each P.E. lesson.

Please send your child to school <u>already in their P.E. kit</u> and send their uniform in a bag to be changed into after the lesson.

All long hair must be tied back, and jewellery must not be worn on PE days. Please take earrings out or cover them with microporous tape, for safety reasons.

Phonics

We teach phonics daily. From 11th September we will be introducing 2 sounds per week using the Floppy Phonics scheme. You will be informed of what the sounds are so that you can practise them at home.

There will be a meeting in school in in the next few weeks to explain how we teach phonics and how you can best support your child at home.

Milk and fruit

Your child will have fruit each day. They will also have milk too, until they turn 5 years old. Once they are 5, you can

choose to pay for their daily milk using Cool Milk. See the office for details.

Homework

On a Friday your child will bring home a sheet of homework all about our key learning for the week. Please help your child by talking to them about their learning and have fun completing the activities together! The homework sheet will be given out to children and will also be available on the school website.

We are happy for you to bring into school anything that you and your child have done or made together.

Parents

We are very lucky to have such supportive parents in you! We want your children to be happy and safe at school and learn to their best.

If you need to speak to us about your child, please catch us on the playground before or after school or you can call the school office on 0116 249 0109. There will be information about what your child is learning on the school website too and updates on the school Twitter page.

We would love to hear about any achievements your child has made too – riding a bike for the first time, gaining a certificate or anything that is something we can celebrate with you and them!