



Welcome to Year R

Thank you for your support in helping the children settle into their first term at school. We are proud of how independent and enthusiastic they have become already and are looking forward to an exciting year together.

Dates for your Diary

Tues 24th - Please send your child to school wearing their PE kit every Tuesday from today.

Wed 2nd Oct at 14:30
Phonics workshop for parents

Mon 21st Oct at 14:40
Sponsored Songs and Nursery Rhymes Event (Please see letter)

Fri 25th Oct - INSET day

Snuggle & Read every Tuesday at 14:40 starting on 5th Nov

Mon 18th Nov
Phase 2 Phonics Celebration (dress-up day- more information to follow)

Tues 10th Dec - Bumblebee Nativity

Wed 11th Dec - Caterpillar Nativity

Thurs 12th Dec - Ladybird Nativity

All performances will start at approx. 9:30.



All Tapestry accounts should now be activated. We hope you are enjoying finding out what the children are learning in class each week. We have loved seeing your comments and posts so far!

What are we learning this term?

This half term our main aim is to continue to get to know your children and help them to settle at school. We will be following the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum and continue to adapt our environment according to the interests of the children.

We have been working on Phase One Phonics skills. The children have been taking part in games to help develop their listening skills and distinguish the different sounds and rhythms.

Soon, we will begin to learn our letter sounds and start to read and write simple words. Keep a look out on Tapestry as we will post our new sounds weekly so you can practise them at home too. It is important to practise the sounds daily using the sound card that we will send home in your child's book bag.

In Maths, we will begin developing our number knowledge through our Mastering Number scheme. The children will develop an important skill of 'subitising'. This is where children say how many there are in a small group of objects without needing to count them.

Reminders

- Please label ALL belongings (shoes included) - check and refresh regularly.
- Warm, waterproof coat every day - we will spend time outside whatever the weather.
- Book bags in school daily - we change reading books once a week.
- Please continue to encourage independence putting coats on and fastening them.
- Please hand your £5 snack contribution to your child's teachers on the gate. This is to ensure we are able to provide cereal daily.

