



Willow Class

September 2019



Autumn Newsletter 2019

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Teaching Assistant—Miss Ridgway

Early Years
Foundation Stage

Welcome Back!

I hope you've all had a fantastic Summer and are ready for a new half term in Reception.

Food!

As we get to know your child we'll explore the topic of Food. Food that they enjoy, where food comes from, foods from our country and foods from other countries. We will encourage your child to taste new foods and will report back on the new foods that they will try.



Please let us know of any allergies in advance.

Keyrings and Reading

Beginning next week, inside your child's red bag you will find three sets of cards on a keyring - numbers, letter sounds and high frequency words. These will be practiced regularly with the children in school and I urge you to practice these at home also. New letters, numbers and words will be added on a weekly basis if your child is secure in reading them.

The letter sound keyring starts the journey into reading. Once your child knows each letter sound we can challenge them to read words, then captions and then start them on with a reading book.



Mr Wood

Mr Wood will be joining us for the first term as a trainee teacher from Keele University. We will be supporting him on his journey to becoming a teacher.

Communication with you...

This is so important to us. On Monday you will receive your child's home/school link books. This will detail what we intend to learn that week and also include any important messages. Please read this each week to stay up to date. Each Friday, if you have given permission, we I email you the photos of some of the learning so that you get to see what we have been up to.

If, for any reason, you do not receive this, but are expecting to, please speak to myself or Miss Ridgway and I can check that we have your details. I wouldn't want you to miss out.

Additionally either myself or Miss Ridgway will always be at the door at the beginning and end of the day to welcome and wave off your child. Please do not hesitate to speak to us if you need any extra information or you would like to tell us something concerning your child.



Snack

Your child will receive milk and fruit as part of their Reception provision, however there is the option for you to order an additional breakfast biscuit each day.



Please remember to order snack on a Monday morning. It is £1.50 for the week and you will not be able to pay for individual days.

PE

Our PE slot is with Matt from Port Vale on a Tuesday morning (starting 10th September). In order to maximize the time the children have, I ask for all children to arrive in their PE kits and to have their school uniforms in a separate bag to change into afterwards.



Labelling Uniform

Please remember to label all uniform with your child's name. This will make it much easier for us to reunite lost clothing with their owners.

Stars

You will find a star in your child's red bag. This is to record any special achievements. We will read these out and celebrate them in a morning.

Water Bottles

Water is provided, on our snack table, throughout the day for your child to access. However we would like you to provide them with a water bottle that can be taken out at lunchtimes. These will come home each day and will need to be brought back in each morning.