

Welcome to Reception!

Dearand Family,

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I hope you have had a lovely time over the summer and a fun and enjoyable first week back at school.

We are looking forward to getting to know you and working together so that we have a very exciting and productive year. I hope that you enjoy the challenges and approaches to learning that Reception has to offer!

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or queries.

Thank you,

 Mrs Hughes, Mrs Craggs, Mrs Robinson and Miss Patel

Adults working in Reception

We are very lucky to have the following members of staff helping Reception throughout the week:

Mrs Hughes (EYFS coordinator and class teacher)

Mrs Craggs (class teacher)

Mrs Robinson (HLTA)

Miss Patel (TA)

If you would like to meet any of these adults, please do not hesitate to ask.

Reading in Reception

Once children have been assessed, your child will be given a reading book and a reading record to bring home and read every week. They will need to bring their book and reading record to school **everyday** as they will be given opportunities to read with members of staff. As we believe reading is very important, we will be encouraging children to read with you at home. We ask you to sign their reading record every time your child has read not just when they reach the end of their book.

When children are ready, we will also send common word packs home to practise reading by sight.



Our Reading Challenge:

We ask that children read at home for at least 10 minutes, at least 5 days per week. Children who meet this challenge will be rewarded with a sticker on our class chart. Any children who read for seven days a week will receive a BONUS sticker! At the end of each half term, the child in each class with the most stickers will receive a prize. Please can we ask that parents and carers sign and date their child's reading record to show when they have read at home.

School Library

Every Wednesday Reception will have access to our school library. We encourage the children to take out books and enjoy reading them at home, however, it is their responsibility to look after and return their library book each Wednesday. If your child loses their library book then a payment of £5 must be paid towards the cost.

PE

Reception will have PE every other **Thursday** and, will require a full PE kit for this. A PE kit must consist of a t-shirt/jumper which covers the shoulders, shorts and/or tracksuit bottoms and trainers or pumps. **All jewellery must be removed or covered** (If your child needs to cover any items, please send a sweat band or plasters into school for this) and long hair **MUST** be tied back. We strongly recommend that all jewellery (**including earrings**) is removed before to coming to school to prevent any loss of expensive, special items. We also ask that your child has their PE kit in school **everyday** (and taken home to be washed at the weekend) and that all items are clearly **labelled** with your child's name.

