

Curriculum update

10/9/21

Welcome!

A huge hello to everyone and warm welcome to lots of new faces and lots of familiar faces too. We have had a fantastic start to the term and the children have settled really well into our classroom routine. There are lots of 'firsts' happening in the classroom and the children are taking these in their stride. We have spent lots of time getting to know each other, listening to each other and playing together. This week sees the end of our time in two groups.

On Monday 13th September 2021, children will be in school all day. Therefore meaning, that the children will be staying for lunch so please ensure that you have ordered your child's lunch in preparation. Next week will be much more demanding with the children being in school all day as well as the two groups merging, so please be mindful that they may be more tired than usual. We ask that you ensure your child has a named drink each day and a healthy snack (as we will stop for two snacks one of which will be provided by school).

Weekly timetable

Monday - Forest School every week

Forest school will take place every Monday unless stated otherwise starting Monday 13th September. Every Monday please ensure that your child comes to school in old clothes. We will be going to the woods where there will be nettles and brambles so we ask that children's arms and legs are always covered. As the weather gets colder, the children will wear waterproofs over the top of their own coats but we still ask that the children wear old clothes that you don't mind getting dirty. Children should not be wearing: shorts, skirts or sleeveless tops to Forest School.

Thursday - Irish dancing with Jack

Please ensure that your child's PE kit is in school and fully labelled and this will then stay in school. We ask that your child also has a pair of named wellies in school that will stay in school too. The weather seems to be unpredictable currently so a coat (even if a thin one) would be useful in their bags too.

Reading and sharing books

We have started sharing books with you from our book-shelf in the classroom. The children are choosing the books they want to bring home and share with you and this will continue as well as introducing stories from our reading scheme too, this will happen within the next few weeks. We hope you are enjoying sharing the stories and it gives lots of opportunities for conversations around characters, the setting, plot and answering lots of questions too.

Drama Geezers

Both groups have had an amazing opportunity to spend time with the 'Drama Geezers'. As a whole school, we wrote a story with each class writing (or acting out) a chapter but we are very special because we have two! Each group came up with their own ideas and we worked together to act out parts of the story. The children showed great enthusiasm and engaged extremely well throughout the whole session and we were so proud of them.

Thank you for your support at the beginning of an exciting new term. We are so happy with how the children have settled! If you have any questions, queries or concerns please come and speak to us or ring/email the office and I will make time to return your call/email.

Mrs Reading

Exploring at school

The children have enjoyed getting to know the school and the classroom environment. We have explored the school grounds and the different areas within the grounds. We have also enjoyed our outdoor classroom, as well as the indoor classroom too.

The children have also shared the playground with other children at break times. They have enjoyed seeing other children they might know and building new relationships.

Our class page on the website is a great way to share some of the things we have been doing in the classroom. Across the next week, I will be adding lots of photos to share what we have been doing. I will keep you updated with the different things that are added on there as our learning continues.