



Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome to Reception! We are delighted to welcome both families who are joining us for the first time and those whose children are continuing their journey with us from Nursery. We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child as they begin this exciting stage of their school life.

Your child's class teacher will be **Mrs Melton**, with **Mrs Hussain** and **Mrs Wright** supporting the children in class. Together, we are committed to ensuring every child feels safe, happy, and ready to learn.

Here are some **key pieces of information** which will help you support your child in school during this coming academic year:

- **Arrival and Collection:** The school gate opens at **8:30 am**. Children arriving after **8:45 am** will be registered as late. The school day finishes at **3:00 pm**. Please ensure your child is collected promptly at the end of the day.
- **Reading and Home Learning:** In Reception, phonics home learning will begin later in the autumn term. Children are expected to read and share books with an adult for at least **15 minutes each evening**. Please sign your child's reading record daily so we can celebrate their progress together.
- **PE:** Reception will begin PE lessons on **Mondays after October half term**. Children will need the correct PE kit: a yellow t-shirt, black shorts, slip-on style pumps, and tracksuit bottoms for the colder months. Please **label their kit** so it doesn't get lost.
- **Everyday Essentials:** Please make sure your child brings a **water bottle** to school each day.
- **Our Approach to Learning:** On our school website, you will find our **Early Years Pedagogy and Intent**. This explains how children learn and develop in the Early Years and the ways we support them through play and teaching.

We are very excited about the year ahead and look forward to seeing the children learn, grow, and thrive in Reception. Thank you for your continued support.

Warm regards,

Mrs Melton, Mrs Hussain and Mrs Wright
The Reception Team