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## AUTUMN 2024 WELCOME BACK!

Congratulations to all the Reception children on a fabulous start to the new school year! The children have been amazing with very few tears and lots of happy, smiling faces. Thank you for all of your support in this. It is very much appreciated. Also, thank you for the lovely holiday photos/pictures. We are loving getting to know your children and these make a great talking point. If you have not sent any in yet, please do so as soon as possible.

## WELCOME SERVICE

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October we will be having a "Welcome" service in Church for all Nursery & Reception children at 9am. The service will last approximately 20 minutes and is for both children and adults so please join us if you can. Instead of bringing your child to school that day, arrive at Church for 9am. If your child is in Breakfast Club that morning, staff will walk your child over to

Church for the start of the service. If any of you are able to walk back to school, after the service, your help would be much appreciated.

## EYFS CURRICULUM MEETING

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We will be hosting an Early Years Curriculum Meeting on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 4:30-5:30pm, in the school hall. This evening will give you lots of practical tips on how to support your child in their early Years journey. Please note this meeting is for parents/carers only & is not suitable for children to attend.

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

- EYFS Curriculum Information
  Evening Wed 25th Sept 4:30pm in school hall
- Nasal Flu Vaccines Thur 26th Sept
- School photos (individual) -Mon 30th Sept
- Welcome & blessing in Church-Tues 1st October – 9am
- St Francis of Assisi's Feast
  Day Fri 4th Oct (more details to follow)
- Coffee Morning Fri 11th Oct



- Children should not bring any toys into school. If these get lost or broken it often causes lots of upset for your child.
- All clothing/belongings **must** be labelled remember pen washes off. Don't forget to also label your child's shoes. We have lots of children with exactly the same pair!
- Check and empty your child's blue book bag every night and ensure that it along with your child's journal, are brought into school every day.
- Journals Please write messages to the teacher in here. Once your child begins to bring home reading/phonics/maths activities, it is very important that you sign the journal, each evening, to say that these tasks have been completed.
- Key-rings Please can all children have <u>one</u> key-ring only on their book bag? This will help them to identify their bag easily but stop lots of them getting tangled together.
- Wellies Please send a labelled pair of wellies into school. Place them On the outdoor rack. These are to remain in school. Thank you if you have already done this.
- Water bottles Send your child with a clearly labelled water bottle Each day. Please note only <u>still water</u> is allowed in these bottles and not juice. Could we also ask that water bottles are not put into book bags as books are often ruined by leaks.
- Snacks Children are provided with a healthy snack each day.
- Please be aware that children will regularly be involved in messy play. We therefore ask that you bear this in mind when choosing a school coat/dressing for non-uniform days.



- Jumpers At the moment children may not need to wear a jumper or cardigan as it is very hot in the classroom and they can wear their coat when outside.
- Start and end of day Reception doors open at 8:45am and our register closes at 9:00am. The end of our day is 3:20pm.
- If your child is going to attend Breakfast/After School Club, please use the main school entrance on Abingdon Ave, where a member of school staff will be there to greet you.
- If we do need to ring you, please be aware that our number may come up as no caller ID.

Details of our Curriculum are listed on our school website.

Finally, please remember your child may be very tired for the first few weeks as they start full days. We are busy all day long!

Thank you for all of your support.

We look forward to a fun, hard working and happy year together.

The Reception Team

OUR SCHOOL IS A NUT FREE ZONE!!! THERE MUST BE NO NUT PRODUCTS INCLUDING PESTO, NUTELLA, SNICKERS BAR, BOUNTY'S ETC SENT INTO SCHOOL.