



St Paul's Reception Newsletter



September 2017

Dear Parents and Children,

Welcome to Reception! We hope you had a wonderful summer and are looking forward to getting to know you and your child over the coming year.

This Half Term:

Our theme this half term will be Nursery Rhymes and Traditional Tales. We shall be learning a selection of well-known rhymes and stories, thinking about the characters and creating our own versions of different rhymes and stories.



We will be taking part in the School's Harvest celebrations and attending the whole school assembly in the Church.

Reading Books:

We will be sending home a book from our reading scheme with your child on their first day. This is a talk based book, without words, for you to share with your child. We will also send home a blue Reading Record for you to record any comments about your child's reading at home. Please ensure that you sign the Reading Record before returning it to school as we will not change the books.

Reading books will be changed on Monday and returned to the children on Tuesday.



Library

We will also be sending home a library book. This book will be chosen by your child to share with you at home. Please encourage your child to talk about the things they see in the pictures and ask them questions about the characters actions.

Trips:

We are in the process of organising our trips for this year. We hope to do the following:

Autumn Term 2 – Christmas Panto at Watermans Theatre

Spring Term 2 - Kew Gardens

Summer Term 1 – Osterley Park

More details to follow.

Clothing:

Please ensure that all of your children's clothes and shoes are labelled clearly with their name. Whilst every care is taken to avoid mix ups the children will occasionally lose their jumpers. It is important that your child comes to school appropriately dressed for all weathers. We will be outside in all weathers. We are happy for you to send your child to school in wellie boots, but please remember their inside shoes and a plastic bag for storage.

If your child is bringing hats and gloves into school please ensure they are labelled as well.

Start of the Day:

The gates will be opened at 8:45am each morning and the children should be brought straight to their classrooms. Please encourage your child to come into the classroom by themselves and hang up their own belongings.

The gates will be closed at 8:55am. If you arrive after this time you will need to make your way to the School Office.

Home time:

At the end of the day the gates will be opened at 3:15pm. To ensure that home time goes as smoothly, and as quickly, as possible please help us by standing back away from the door and waiting for your child's name to be called. It may take us a while to match children with adults so please bear with us. Please ensure you contact the Office if another adult is collecting your child from school.

The gates will be closed at 3:30pm. Again, if you arrive after this time please make your way to the School Office.

Junk Materials:

Do you have any cereal boxes, clean yogurt pots or cardboard tubes that we could use for model making? If so please could you send them into school?



Please do not hesitate to speak to a member of the Reception Team if you have any queries.

Mrs Riley & Mrs Handley
Mrs Barry & Miss Hassan