

Sunshine & Rainbow NEWSLETTER



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Welcome to the first Reception Newsletter!

It has been lovely to welcome the children and get to know them this week. They have made an excellent start and we are so proud of how brave they have been. We hope you have all been ok too!

Every Friday, you will receive our Reception Newsletter via email.

In the newsletter, we will include lots of important information, dates for your diaries and everything you need to know about the children's learning for the upcoming week. Please do ensure that you spend some time reading it each week.

This week, our newsletter will be a slightly longer one as we have included lots of important information and reminders. If there is anything you are unsure of, please do come and see us at the end of the school day and we will be happy to help you.



If English is not your first language or you find it difficult to read or understand the communication, please do let us know and we will always do our best to support you.

Updates and Reminders

From Monday 7th September, the children will be in school full time, **starting the school day at 8.35 - 8.50am and ending at 3pm.**

Every morning the children will be greeted by members of staff on the back gates and they will guide them to the classrooms.

Collection will be at 3pm, where you will be able to collect the children from the Reception playground. Sunshine Class exit out of the gate under the shelter and Rainbow Class exit out of the gate closest to the sheds. Any children attending after school club will be collected from the classrooms.

MEET THE TEAM

Rainbow Class (St Peter)

Miss Baker - Class Teacher

Sunshine Class (St Paul)

Miss Ranger - Class Teacher

Reception Learning Support Assistants

Mrs Fisher, Mrs Talukder, Miss Prickett, Mrs Burrell, Miss Wixted and Miss De Dominicis

ICT Teacher

Mrs Gauthier



Updates and Reminders



SNACKS AND DRINKS



Please provide a named piece of fruit or vegetables only and a named water bottle (no biscuits, crackers, pastries, juice/squash etc.) **Please put this inside a small Tupperware box, rather than a packed lunch box.** This is to ensure that it can be stored on our early years snack trolley.

Due to allergies, we are a strictly nut free school (including nutella, sesame etc) so please do not send any nut products or products with traces of nuts into school. If your child will be having packed lunch, please send in a separate snack and bottle.

If you decide to send grapes into school, please ensure that these are sliced in half to prevent choking. Thank you.

PE



PE will take place on a Monday (taught by class teachers) and a Thursday.

On a Monday and Thursday, the children should come into school wearing their PE kits.

We are unable to remove earrings therefore, earrings and watches should be removed at home prior to a PE day.

PE will begin on Thursday 10th September.

EYFS OUTDOOR AREA



We aim to use our Reception outdoor area all year round, whatever the weather!

Therefore, we kindly ask all parents to supply wellies (labelled clearly with your child's name) so that the children can continue to play outside in the wetter weather. Thank you.

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CHANGES TO PICK UP



We understand that sometimes there may need to be a last minute change to who is collecting your child from school.

If this is the case, please contact the school office.

SPARE CLOTHES

As toileting accidents are incredibly common throughout the year in Reception, we ask that all parents send in a spare named school uniform in a named carrier bag. This includes: wet wipes, socks, underwear and a skirt or trousers. This must be school uniform. We will keep this in school on their pegs in case of an accident. Thank you!

UNIFORM

It is expected that the children are in full school uniform, this includes wearing a tie.
Please be reminded of the school uniform below:

Hair should be tied back.

No jewellery apart from one stud in each ear.

Earrings must be removed at home before PE.

Girls	Boys
White Blouse (not sleeveless)	White Shirt
Charcoal grey Knee-length pinafore or Skirt (flared or pleated) or grey tailored straight leg trousers*	Plain Charcoal Grey Trousers or Shorts (jeans not permitted)
School Tie (clip-on tie option for Foundation & KS1)	School Tie (clip-on tie option for Foundation & KS1)
Bottle Green V-Necked Jumper, Sweatshirt or Cardigan	Bottle Green V-Necked Jumper, Sweatshirt or Cardigan
School Blazer and Badge (optional)	School Blazer and Badge (optional)
Bottle Green, Grey or White Socks (ankle or knee) Bottle Green or Grey Tights in Winter	Plain Grey Socks
Green & White Summer Dress	Grey Shorts in Summer
Black Shoes	Black Shoes

Next week, we will be...

- Learning the school routines and rules
- Taking a tour of the school
- Making new friends
- Choosing and using activities in the classroom independently and appropriately
- Talking about our hobbies and our likes and dislikes
- Talking about our families and friends
- Writing our name with a capital for the first letter and lowercase for the rest.



Dates for your Diary

SEPTEMBER

- **Monday 7th September** -
Reception full time
(8.35-8.50am - 3pm)

We aim to include all dates for your diaries on our weekly newsletter, however if there is anything you are ever unsure of, dates will always be included on our school website.

Should you ever have any questions, we would be more than happy to answer them during pick up time, at the end of the school day.

Have a lovely weekend!