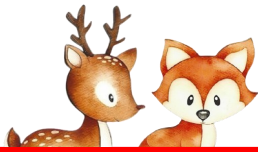




Reception Newsletter



Friday 5th September 2025



Welcome to Reception

What a wonderful first week it has been!

I am absolutely delighted with how well the children have settled into their new routines. It has been a joy to see their smiling faces each day, full of curiosity and excitement.

The children have embraced their new learning environment with enthusiasm - exploring the new classroom, making new friends, and beginning their school journey with confidence and joy.

From creative play to story time, every moment has been filled with discovery and laughter.

I am so proud of how quickly they are adapting, and look forward to a fantastic year of learning, growing, and having fun together.

Please do take some time to pour yourself a cup of tea, grab your diary, and take some time to read this week's newsletter.

Further information regarding what the children will be learning over the Autumn term will be sent out next week.

I hope you have a lovely weekend celebrating a fantastic first week at school, and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday morning.

Best wishes
Mr Boxall

Tiny Steps, Big Discoveries!

This week, we've been learning all about our classroom and how things work in our new school. We've had lots of fun exploring all the different areas—both inside and outside!

We've talked about what helps us feel safe and happy at school, like being kind to our friends and using gentle hands. We also learned how to take care of our classroom by keeping it clean and tidy.

We've been practicing good hygiene too—washing our hands carefully and remembering to cover our mouths and noses when we cough or sneeze. We're already becoming super helpers and thoughtful friends!



Together We Shine!

Together we made our class charter to help everyone feel safe and happy. We discussed how we are all different and how we want others to behave so we can all learn.

1. Good listening and looking
2. Kind words
3. Take turns
4. Kind hands and feet
5. Indoor voices and walking feet
6. Good tidying

Reading books

There's been lots of excitement in Reception this week as we chose our very first reading books to take home and share with our families!

We've started with special books that don't have words. These help us learn how to hold a book, turn the pages, and talk about the pictures. We use our looking eyes and thinking brains to tell the story! This helps us get ready for reading words later on. As we develop blending sounds, we'll move on to books with words that match what we're learning in phonics.

After reading together at home, please write a little comment to let us know how it went—we love hearing about your reading adventures!

PE and Outdoor Learning

We're really looking forward to starting PE and outdoor learning next week!

To help us join in safely and comfortably, please make sure your child is wearing the right clothes on the days we have these activities:

- Monday: wear PE kit to school
- Wednesday: bring PE kit in a bag to change into
- Friday: wear school uniform and bring outdoor learning clothes in a separate bag

Reception Baseline Assessment

Next week, your child will begin the Reception Baseline Assessment (RBA). This is a short, fun activity, done one-to-one with Mr Boxall to help understand your child's early skills in language, communication, maths, and literacy. It's not a test - there's no pass or fail - and most children won't even realise they're doing it! The RBA gives us a helpful starting point to support your child's learning. You don't need to do anything to prepare.

For more information, please visit the Reception Class page on our school website.

Wellies

Please bring in your child's wellies on Monday so we can store them on our brand-new welly rack! This way, we'll be ready to jump in puddles and enjoy outdoor learning in all kinds of weather.



Dates for your diary

Monday 6th October
Parents Evening (online)
3.30pm - 5.30pm

Thursday 9th October
Nursery & Reception Autumn Assembly
9.00am

Monday 20th October
Parents Evening (online)
3.30pm - 5.30pm

Thursday 20th November
Reception Wright House Assembly
9.00am

Friday 5th December
Breakfast with Father Christmas (am)
Children's Christmas Fair (pm)

Thursday 11th December
Reception Christmas Assembly
9.15am

Monday 15th December
Open Evening
3.30pm - 5.30pm

Tuesday 16th December
Nursery & Reception Christmas Party
1.30pm

