

# Autumn Term Newsletter Year R

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2022/23

## Reception Team

We want to wish all our new children and families a huge warm welcome into Year R! We all hope you have a wonderful year and we look forward to working in partnership with you all.



Miss Wiles Class  
Teacher RCW



Mrs Clarkson  
Class Teacher RSC



Miss Kashi Class  
Teacher RSK



Miss Benefield  
Teaching Assistant



Mr Owen  
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Teaching Assistant



Mrs Choudry  
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Mehta  
Learning Mentor

## Welcome to Year R

This first half term is very exciting in Year R! There will be lots of learning through directed lessons and play. Your child will be beginning to learn their phonic sounds, as well as how to orally blend and put these sounds into words. This is the first step in learning how to read and write. Your child will also be learning how to write

their first name and how to form letters correctly. In maths we will be gaining a deep understanding about the numbers 1-5 and how to use these numbers in different ways. Our theme lessons this half term will be 'Me and My Community' and 'Exploring Autumn'. These projects help us to learn more about your children and for them to get to know their friends. They will also help us to explore the different changes in the seasons. As a class we will be reading and exploring the exciting text, 'Elmer'. We will also be going on some mini adventures to Stoke Park and our local church.

## Planners

Children will have a new planner when they start. Children are expected to bring their planner and reading book with them every day. Parents/carers please sign the planner on the correct date that your child has read. If your child reads something other than their school book, that's still great, but please sign to let us know they have done some reading.

## Homework

All children in Reception will be given paper copies of their handwriting and maths homework on a Friday for competition by the following Thursday. We expect your child to practice their weekly sounds and reading daily. There will also be a grid of activities linked to our theme that your child can complete throughout the half-term. Please take pictures of these and post on Seesaw or bring them in so we can celebrate their hard work.

## Reading

This half term your child will have two books in their reading folder that will be changed once a week. One of these books will be a picture book and inside your child's reading folder there will be an information sheet with tips on how to share these books with your child. The second book will be one they have chosen and is for you to read to your child. Please take the time to read regularly with your child.

## PE

PE is on Thursday and children are expected to come in full PE kit. Reminder: PE kit is a plain t-shirt and black shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms. New PE T-shirts will be here soon.

## Ways to contact us

If you have any concerns or questions, contact us through Seesaw or the school office. We are always happy to talk to you when you drop-off and collect your children.