

Checklist for Parents and Carers

- All children need to have a pair of **wellies** in school for Forest School and outdoor play. Their wellies will stay on the trolley every day so they have them whenever they are needed. If you haven't already, please provide a pair as soon as possible.
- Children need to bring their **reading folder** to school on their allocated reading day.
- Children should bring in their own named **water bottle** each day.
- Our **PE day is Thursday**. Children should come to school in their PE kit every Thursday.

Class Dojo

All parents have access to daily class story updates and their child's online portfolio. We will update this regularly with photographs, videos and information of your child's learning and progress. You can also message staff through Dojo if needed.

If you do not have access to Dojo yet please speak to a member of the teaching team.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to talk to us or make an appointment at the office.

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Wingrove Primary School

Reception Newsletter

Autumn Term 2023



Dates for your Diary

Term Dates: 04.09.23 – 27.10.23
06.11.23 – 22.12.23
08.01.24 – 16.02.24

Half-term: 30.10.23– 06.11.23

Staff training days: 04.09.23 and 01.12.23

Stay and play session: Tuesday 3rd October 8.45-9.30am

Trips (local visit): TBC

Christmas Performance: Tuesday 12th December

Reception Christmas party: Thursday 21st December

Reception Team

Early Years Phase Leader: Mrs Rutter

Reception Teacher (Class 1): Mrs Blashford

Reception Teacher (Class 2): Mrs Rutter

Support Staff: Mrs Savage, Mrs Kaur, Miss Eaton, Mrs Lowes and Mrs Uriri

Organisation

- Children must be accompanied to the Reception side gate.
- In the morning, the gates open at 8.35am and close at 8.45am. Children must be in school by 8.45am.
- We have lunch together in the hall at 11.30am followed by an outdoor break until 12.55pm. The children are able to see the choices before they select their own main meal and pudding each day.
- Hometime is 3.15pm. Children must be collected by an adult who is named on their collection list.
- Children have a healthy snack and are also offered milk every day.

Uniform

Children must wear the correct school uniform every day including school jumper, white polo shirt, grey trousers or skirt and black shoes.

Your child is entitled to a free red PE t-shirt which your child should have received already.

In reception we go outside every day, despite the weather, to play, learn and explore. Please make sure your child has a warm coat. In winter they will also need a hat, scarf and a pair of gloves with them every day.

All items MUST be clearly labelled with their name.

Our Curriculum

Our key question this half term is '**How are you feeling today?**'

We will be exploring our feelings, what makes us and others happy or sad and how we show our happy or sad feelings?

Next half term our topic is '**What lights up our world?**' We will be talking and learning about our families, things that light up, fireworks and different celebrations.

We will explore our topics through story, circle time, role play, art and craft both inside and outside during Forest School.

We will also be reading, retelling and performing some traditional tales.

Children have English, mathematics and phonics sessions each day. We also have adult and child led activities throughout the day where children have the opportunity to explore other areas of the curriculum and reinforce their learning through play.

Homework

Initially, the children will be bringing home a picture book to share which will be changed on their reading day. As we progress through the phonics scheme, we will be sending a book home for the children to practise reading their sounds, along with a picture book.

During this half term, your child will also bring home the phonic sounds we have been learning in class to practise. They will also be given a writing pencil, a laminated alphabet and number board and dry wipe pen as the term progresses. This is to help your child practise their letter and number formation with you at home.