

# AUTUM TERM NEWSLETTER

## WELCOME

Welcome to Reception! Hope you had a lovely Summer Holidays and are ready for some exciting learning to take place this term. We have two topics that we will be exploring on the run up to Christmas. Our first topic is "Why am I Special?" where we will be looking at the children, their families and everything about them. After half term our topic is "What happens in the Story" where we will be looking at traditional tales, the characters and what happens in those stories.

## CLASS DOJO

Class Dojo is our main communication platform. Please make sure you can access it as this is where I will post photos, updates and information for Reception as well as the rest of the school. If you have any problems please come and speak to one of the Reception team.

## LUNCH

Children can choose from 4 different menu options each day. We discuss the different options with the children each morning so they can pick what they would like for lunch. It is a 3 weekly rotating menu, so please make sure you are looking at the correct week. Dates are located at the top of each week. The menu is in bookbags for you to have at home and it is on the school website too.

## Reading at Home

Children will be issued two reading books from school. One will be a Little Wandles reading book and the other will be a coloured banded sharing book. It is vital that children spend time reading at home as well as at school. We do have a reading reward scheme; if children read 3 times a week for a set number of weeks, they will receive a certificate and a prize. Children will only be awarded the certificate and prize if they have read 3 times a week and it has been written down in their home/ school reading diaries.

## Important Reminders

### PE Days

Children are to come into school wearing their PE Kits on PE days. Reception's PE days are every Mondays and Wednesdays. Notifications and reminders will be sent out via Class Dojo. If you are unsure on what the PE Kit should be, please visit the School Website and look at the Uniform Policy. **Hurley Hoodie's can only be worn on PE Days!**

### Homework

Homework will be sent home weekly. This will be a phonics activity based on our learning that week and either an English or Maths activity as well. Homework books will be sent home on Fridays and need to be returned to school by the following Wednesday. Children will also be sent home with a worksheet based on their reading books to develop children comprehension and understanding.

Thank you for your support and we are looking forward to having a fantastic year with lots of brilliant, wonderful and fun learning experiences. If you have any questions or worries, please come and speak to a member of the Reception team: Mr Orchard or Miss Thomas at drop off and pick up, or drop a message via the Class Dojo app and I will aim to respond that same day.