

Reception Newsletter - Summer Term 2026

We would like to welcome everyone back for the start of the summer term.

To support the children's learning in Maths and Literacy we will be following the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum. The children will be learning about number, number patterns, counting, simple adding and subtraction and problem solving. They will also look at the concepts of time, measuring, money and shape. In Literacy the children will continue to learn and consolidate their phonic sounds using Little Wandle Letters and Sounds. They will continue to enjoy a wide range of fiction and non-fiction texts. To support their phonics and text knowledge it is important that your child spends as much time as possible reading books, practising sentence construction and accessing as many different kinds of books as possible. Your support at home really makes a difference to your child's continued progress.

For the summer term the children will be following the topics of 'I wonder what is round the corner?', 'I wonder what is in the garden?', 'I wonder what is in the sea?' and 'I wonder who can help?' We use these topics as a springboard for Literacy and Understanding the World. We also look at topics that are of interest to the children.

Other matters:

School times:

Morning: Children are invited in at 8.55am. The door will be closed at 9.00am. *If you arrive after this time, please take your child to the office.*

Afternoon: It is important that you are here to pick your child up promptly at 3.25pm. **We have found it to be less stressful for the children if Reception children are collected first, before older siblings.** It is important to let us know if someone different is picking your child up.

Shoes and Uniform:

It is important that children become proficient and independent when changing shoes, therefore we would request that children do **not** come in with lace up shoes, unless they are able to do them themselves. We have found that buckles and Velcro fastenings are much easier for them. Please name your child's shoes. We have had instances of the children confusing another child's shoes for their own.

We would also like to remind you that your child should have the appropriate school uniform, which **must** be labelled. Children may still need a coat as they spend a large part of each day outside and need to be dressed appropriately. If you are unsure about any aspects of the uniform, please refer to the [school website](#) or enquire at the office. Please remember jewellery of any kind is not part of our school uniform and therefore should not be worn to school.

Lunch boxes:

Please ensure that all lunch boxes are clearly labelled as we have quite a few of the same kind.

We are happy to speak with you about any issues you may wish to raise. However, it would be helpful if you could see us at the end of the day when we are less busy. We are always happy to make an appointment to see you.

Thank you for your support
Mrs Smith, Mrs Mills and Mrs Zacharia