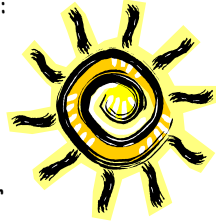


## WELCOME TO THE AUTUMN TERM IN RECEPTION

The staff in Reception this year are:



- ◆ Rebecca Gittins, Class Teacher
- ◆ Shainey Wasik, Class Teacher
- ◆ Sarah Cobb, Read Write Inc Manager
- ◆ Natalie Meiners, Early Years Educator
- ◆ Laurie Knipe, Early Years Educator
- ◆ Sherina Buchanan, Teaching Assistant
- ◆ Nazia Begum, Teaching Assistant

### Dates and Reminders

- ◆ All children are required to wear full school uniform
- ◆ Please ensure children arrive by 9am
- ◆ Please ensure all clothing is labeled with your child's name
- ◆ Please remember to provide your child with a coat. To enable your child to enjoy the outside area at all times it would be helpful to have wellies, a scarf and gloves
- ◆ Please remember PE kits every Monday.
- ◆ Our last day of school before half term is Wednesday 25th October 2012
- ◆ The last day of Autumn term is Friday 21st December 2012.

## I will be learning...

### Communication & Language, and Literacy:

We will be building on children's phonics knowledge from Nursery and encouraging them to read and write independently. We will be focusing on 'heroes and villains', linked to our trip to the Discover centre. Please ensure your child has their reading diary and changes their book on the correct day.



**Mathematics:** We will be building on our knowledge of numbers from Nursery. Children will be learning correct number formation and recognising and ordering numbers. Children will use the outside area to focus on problem solving and we will be learning more about shapes and positional language.



**Understanding the World:** We will be visiting the Discover centre in Stratford as part of our 'Superheroes' theme. We will be exploring change, particularly linked to ourselves, our environment and the changes we have experienced during transition from Nursery to Reception.



**Expressive Arts and Design:** Over the summer we were lucky enough to have a lovely outdoor stage built. This term we will be using the stage to role-play and explore music making.

**I.C.T.** We will be building on the children's existing ICT skills by developing their mouse skills and encouraging their independence when using age-appropriate software.



### Personal, Social and Emotional Development:

Please encourage children to be as independent as possible when they arrive at school. Within the classroom they will be working hard to follow the rules of the setting and building new friendships.

### Physical Development

We will be improving our spatial awareness and motor control. Children will be learning and following rules and using both indoor and outside spaces.



**We will have P.E. on Mondays please ensure your child has a full kit.**

**Our Topic:** Our topic this half term is 'Superheroes and Villains'

# FOR MUM & DAD...

We work in partnership with our parents to make the child's experience in Reception a happy one. We encourage our parents to:

- ◆ Develop a good routine to ensure your child arrives at school on time.

- ◆ Ensure your child has plenty of sleep, we recommend bed-time at seven and
- ◆ NO LATER THAN 8pm.



- ◆ Make sure your child eats a healthy breakfast before school.
- ◆ Support your child to become independent by helping them practice taking on and off all of their clothes during daily routines.



## Parent Workshops!

Keep an eye out for letters regarding parent workshops, if there are any areas of your child's learning you would like help with, please let us know and we may be able to arrange a workshop to assist other parents too.

Parents will be invited in to discuss their child's interests and progress once every term. Parents evening is Thursday 13th December

## Things you will need in Reception...



### SCHOOL SHOES

Plimsolls or lace-ups. Trainers can be worn, as long as they are completely black.

### WEATHER

Please ensure your child brings a coat. As well as wellingtons, a hat, scarf and gloves when appropriate.



J. BLOGGS

MRS KEMP

Please **remember** to label everything with your name - especially sweatshirts, PE kits and coats!



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- ◆ Show an interest in your child's day and talk about what they have **just pop in and ask!**