

### Dates to remember



- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Whole class photos.
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Colour dash (letter to be sent out before).
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Last day before half term.
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June - Return to school.
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Summer Fayre.
- Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July (AM) – Pirate workshop.
- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Reports sent home.
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July – Transition morning.
- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Last day before holidays.

### PE

All Reception classes have PE once a week: -

**RTA** – Wednesday

**RJB** – Friday

All children should come to school in their PE kit on their class's allocated PE day as they will be taking part in lots of active sessions. Please make sure their PE kit reflects the school's uniform policy and ask a member of staff if you are unsure of this.



### Reading

Please bring your child's book bag to school every day. The children will continue to take home a '**Set book**' each week which will be changed every Friday and should be returned before the following Friday. Please sign your child's reading diary every time they read their book to you (minimum 3x a week). It is really important that your child practices their 'Set Book' regularly to help them to build and retain the skill of segmenting and then blending the sounds back together.

Your child will also have a **Library book** which will be changed every Friday, along with a '**read together**' book.

If you want to dive into anymore reading books, you can access some great free books on these websites:

- <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/find-a-book/library-page/>
- <https://www.getepic.com/>

We have also included the Little Wandle website for you to look at which may help with how to pronounce the phonemes.

- <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>



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### 2026 Summer Term Reception Newsletter

Reception children had a lot of fun last term in our topic work and enjoyed events such as a drawing workshop and Science Week.

As always, if you have any questions about your child's time at school, please do not hesitate to ask us. All members of the Reception staff will be available to talk to you on the playground each morning, or again at the end of the school day after dismissal.

### Reception staff:

- Mrs Toone (Teacher)
- Miss Andrews (Teacher)
- Mr Butler (Teacher)
- Miss Green (Teaching assistant)
- Miss Blackwell (Teaching assistant)
- Miss White (PM Teaching assistant)
- Miss Coe (AM Teaching Assistant)
- Miss Tailor (SEND support)

## Topics

Our topic for Summer 1 is 'Come Outside'. We will be learning about bugs, habitats, animals, the ocean, as well as following the children's own interests.



Our topic for Summer 2 will be 'Machines'. We will be learning about different types of transport on land, sea and in the air, including looking at robots, different machines and the jobs that they do.



## Events to look out for....

Jungle Jo – Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May

Pirate workshop – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July

## Packed lunches

**Forest Lodge is  
a healthy  
school.**

We encourage our children to choose a healthy lunch. The advice we give to parents is that children can only bring in bottles of **water** to school, and that no fizzy drinks, food, nuts or juice will be allowed. Please ensure certain types of food are cut into smaller pieces; such as whole grapes, to minimize a risk of choking.



## School Uniform

All children must come to school in appropriate school uniform, this must also include sensible black footwear.

We would be grateful if clothing could be **labelled with their name**, as children sometimes mislay their belongings and we need to make sure that they get them back.

## Homework



We will be continuing to send out phonic recap sheets to help children practice the sounds they have learnt in school.

There will also be occasional tricky words handed out that we have covered in phonic lessons. Please can you practice these words with your children.

## Outdoors in warmer weather

We will be continuing to enjoy our forest fun sessions particularly now the weather is getting warmer. Please ensure your child has sun cream applied, especially on sunny days and that they have appropriate clothing for the sun, such as a sun hat.

Please could you make sure that all clothing and accessories are clearly labelled.