

YEAR 1 PARENT INFORMATION EVENING
18th SEPTEMBER 2014

Staff in Reception

- ❖ Mrs Rintoul is the class teacher
- ❖ Mrs Smith is the Learning Support Assistant
- ❖ Mrs Willis is the lunchtime supervisor
- ❖ Mrs Welsby will teach on Wednesday Morning during Mrs Rintoul's PPA time
- ❖ Mr Boothroyd will teach R.E on Wednesday Afternoon

Curriculum & Timetable (See separate sheet)

- ❖ As well as daily literacy, numeracy and phonics lessons, where possible, the other subjects will be taught alongside our topic for the term. Any area of the curriculum not covered by the theme will be taught separately.
- ❖ PE will be taught on a Monday (Games) and Friday (Gymnastics). Weather allowing, one lesson will be outdoors.
- ❖ This term our topic is "Ourselves and Animals." The curriculum topic for next half term is "Homes". We will inform you of the other topics in due course.

Reading Books

- ❖ The children's reading books will usually be changed everyday, or whenever the book is completed.
- ❖ We expect the children to be practising reading to an adult for five minutes a night. It is really important to take time to talk about the story and predict what will happen next.
- ❖ The children will be choosing their own reading books from selected book bands. Children need to have a secure reading comprehension before they progress through the book bands.
- ❖ Each child will continue to take part in a guided reading session each week and they will also be heard individually, so please ensure that their reading book and their reading records are in school every day.

Phonics

- ❖ We will continue to reinforce previously learned phonemes and will be learning some new graphemes this year.
- ❖ The children will have one spelling pattern to focus on each week and two words that your child is spelling incorrectly in their work. Each Tuesday I will send home a "Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check." sheet for the children to practice the spelling patterns on. They will be assessed on their understanding of the pattern on the following Monday.

Uniform

- ❖ Children should be dressed in the school uniform (See website for details).
- ❖ Shoes should be comfortable and black.
- ❖ Skirts should not be too short (Just above the knee as a minimum).
- ❖ Jewellery, make-up and nail varnish are not allowed
- ❖ Stud earrings are allowed but must be removed for PE
- ❖ PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD'S NAME IS IN EVERYTHING

General

- ❖ Children mainly work in small groups that are flexible and meet the needs of the children.
- ❖ Reading records can be used as a form of communication between home and school and are checked daily for messages.

Please do not hesitate to come and see me if you would like to discuss any aspect of school life throughout the year.

Mrs Rintoul