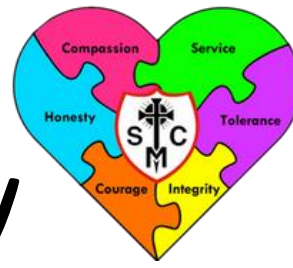


# Reception

# Newsletter



## Welcome!

Welcome to Reception class!

This is such a special year filled with new experiences, friendships, and lots of learning through play. Our focus for the first few weeks will be helping the children settle in, feel happy and confident, and get to know their new routines.

Please do come and speak with us if you have any questions or worries – we are here to support you and your child every step of the way.

*Ms. Ogunlade*



## Timetable

**MONDAYS** – Bring in reading diaries. Please make sure an adult has read with the child and signed the diary.

**THURSDAYS**– PE Day. Children to come to school in full PE Kits.



## Reading at home

Reading at home is one of the best ways to help your child grow their vocabulary and improve their overall reading skills. Just 15 minutes of reading each night can make a big difference. When children read regularly, they learn new words in context, which helps them remember and use those words in their own writing. It also improves their understanding of what they read, making schoolwork easier. Unfortunately, more screen time and less reading have had a negative impact on children's reading habits. Many children are now reading more slowly and with less understanding. By setting aside time to read each night, you can help your child build strong reading habits that support their success in school and beyond.

We expect a minimum of **3** reads per week, please sign the diary each time your child reads with an adult. Reading diaries are handed in every Monday and are returned on Tuesday.





## Classroom Highlights

Our first week will be filled with exciting activities and new discoveries. We start with the “community” theme, where children will talk about the special people in their lives and learn about special people in the community.

On transition day, the children painted a piece of art work. These pictures are now proudly displayed in our classroom.



## Upcoming Events

Visit from emergency services / parents / school staff to talk about their occupation.

Harvest Breakfast week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025



## Homework

Daily reading at home.

Practice Phonics sounds and tricky words.

## Important Reminders

Please pack a labelled water bottle for your child each day. This helps keep them hydrated throughout their busy day.

### **To stay at school:**

- Wellies – For wet play and OPAL.
- All in one wet suit or waterproof trousers – For wet play and OPAL.

Please make sure that all items of clothing, including coats, are clearly labelled with your child’s name. This helps us to return belongings to the right child.

