

RECEPTION NEWSLETTER

Our First Month in Reception!

We have had a fantastic start to our first half term in Reception. We are so proud with how well the children have settled in and we have loved getting to know each and every one of our brilliant children. We have to say, it was lovely to see all of your family pictures and the children's special items from home, which they shared with us. They were so proud to talk about their life at home!

This month we have been so busy reading our fab 5 stories, using Talk4Writing to retell the story of The Three Little Pigs, labelling characters and even writing captions!

We have started our RWI phonics sessions where we are learning to read and write phonetically. The children have loved learning their new sounds.

In Maths, we have been learning numbers to 5. We have been ordering, writing and counting objects to match representations such as Numicon and five frames.

Next Month

Next month we will be reading one of our favourite stories 'Owl Babies' and learning to write speech bubbles and captions.

We will continue with our phonics sessions where we will begin to segment and blend sounds to read words. Watch out for Fred the Frog who helps us sound out words!

In Maths, we will be learning to read and write numbers to 10 and apply this to mathematical concepts.

Routines

Thank you for supporting your children in on a morning and helping them settle at the door and come into school so amazingly! We are delighted at how confident the children have become, independently putting their things away (including book bags in drawers) before we join as a class for the register.

Belongings


We would like to ask that all book bags, water bottles, cardigans, jumpers, hats and coats are labelled clearly with your child's name.

Lunches

If your child is bringing a packed lunch to school, please remember that we require pack lunches to **be nut, seed, egg and cereal free** due to allergies in the class.

Twitter

We really enjoy sharing the children's learning environment, and activities we do in class with you via Twitter. We update this regularly throughout the week to keep you up to date with what is going on in school. Please return your twitter form if you haven't already done so and request to follow the class page.

 @OPALG_RSS2122 @OPALG_RB2122

Resources

We are always really grateful for any resources we can use especially things we can use to make models at school. Please see below a list of resources we are always looking for to enhance our modelling area.

- Cardboard tubes
- Various sizes of cardboard boxes
- Pasta
- Buttons
- Ribbons
- Tin foil
- Yoghurt pots
- Autumnal objects (conkers, fir cones)
- Materials
- Anything interesting that you have spare and you think the children will enjoy using!

Unfortunately, we cannot accept any boxes or containers that have had seeds or nuts in them.

Learning Log/Homework

Every **Friday**, your child will bring home a learning log, reading book and reading diary. These are to be completed and returned the following **Thursday**. Inside your learning log, you will also find a slip which you can complete to tell us about any learning experiences your child has had, or a new skill they have achieved that week. This can be anything from practising numbers, learning how to read new sounds or getting a swimming badge!

Reading

At Lofthouse Gate we love to read. Each term we will have our 5 favourite class books to enjoy with the children. This term our favourite 5 books are;

Mr Gumpy's Outing

Lost and Found

Stuck

Owl Babies

We're Going on a Bear Hunt



We hope you enjoy listening to all the stories about your child's fantastic first month in school and we can't wait to see them again on Monday. The doors will continue to open at 8:50am for your child to come into class and please collect your children at 3:15pm. Do not hesitate to speak to a member of the team if you have any questions.

The Reception Team 😊