



16 September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reception Weekly Information – w/b 16.9.24

Reception PE Days

RB: Wednesday/Friday

RP: Tuesday/Friday

RH: Friday

Earrings must be removed in the morning before school.

Please ensure that your child is wearing the **correct uniform** including:

- Grey socks or tights (white with summer dress)
- Plain black shoes – not trainers or boots
- No jewellery except plain stud earrings.
- No nail varnish
- Long hair fully tied up – not half-up half-down styles.
- Hair bands and clips should be school uniform colours.

PE Kits need to be brought into school on a Monday morning and will be sent home on a Friday.

Please send in named welly boots on Tuesday 17.9.24

What a fantastic week we had last week! The new Reception children made a super start to life at Stamford Green and it has been excellent to see them enjoying exploring their new school. We have been very proud to see lots of examples of resilience, friendship and kindness from the newest members of our school.

All the classes have been wonderfully confident and independent when coming into school. Today the children have practiced making their way straight to class from the gates so that on Tuesday drop off they will be able to say goodbye to you at the gate and make their way to their classrooms independently as the rest of the school does (rather than lining up).

The Reception staff will be on hand along the route to make sure that everyone is heading in the right direction. You can help them by saying goodbye and waving them through the gate then leaving (rather than waiting and waving until they are out of sight). This means they are able to concentrate on making their own way to the classroom for their day, rather than looking back towards the gate.

From Wednesday we look forward to having all the children in for the full school day. The gates are open in the mornings from 8.35am – 8.40am and there are plenty of helpers on hand to make sure all the children get to class. If you drop off at the East Gate you may like to be warned that while Christ Church Mount is a residential road, it is still well used and it's busy at school drop off and collection. We recommend that you keep your child close to you at the front of the school, to avoid the risk of an accident when cars are moving so close to the children.

This week, children will begin to bring home story books for you to enjoy together. This is a way for children to begin the routine of changing their books independently at school, thinking about stories and having a 'reading time' at home each day. Learning Journals will be handed out and we ask

that you write a short positive comment in the relevant day to record the reading that your child has done at home. You could write any comments that they made about the story.

Thank you for holding up your child's name sign at the gate when you collect them. This is most helpful for us, and will be especially important when they are all leaving at a similar time to the rest of the school.

If you are a parent/carer who is not yet part of the class WhatsApp group and would like to be, please look on the school [website](#) to find out who your PTA Class Rep is. This group is a great place for reminders about things happening at school and a good way to feel part of the school community.

This week's learning in Reception at a glance:

Learning Question of the week:

Which would be the best material to build a house for the Three Little Pigs?

At school this week we will be continuing to explore the Reception learning space - trying out more of the activities that are on offer, and talking about how to learn and play together successfully.

The first stop on this term's tour of some well-known Fantasy Lands will be tale of the Three Little Pigs. The children will be listening to, and retelling, this familiar story as well as having the opportunity to participate in a range of creative activities. The learning stems from a special question of the week (see above) but it isn't limited to answering this – children explore the story in their own way using their creativity and imagination to respond. Perhaps you have a version to share at home?

In our 'Fantasy Lands' learning we will focus on traditional tales from now until after October half term so look out to see which ones the children will be learning about in the upcoming weekly information.

Phonics

The children all had a short phonics assessment during the staggered entry period, and we will now start learning the routines for our phonics lessons - Read Write Inc. You can find out about the Read Write Inc programme by watching this short film. <https://tinyurl.com/mw8zpnew>

You will also be able to find out much more about how children learn to read and write at Stamford Green, and how you can support them, at the Parent/Carer meetings on 8.10.24 and 11.10.24 – see [Dates for Diaries](#). For details.

This week we will be learning about the sounds m, a, s, d:



Maisie, mountain, mountain



Around the apple and down the leaf



Slither down the snake



Around the dinosaurs bottom and up to his neck

Reading

In your child's Book Bag this week you will find their reading pack and Learning Journal. The story books in the pack are to be shared each day with your child at home. These will be changed in school so please ensure that this pack along with the Learning Journal is in the Book Bag every day. Please record the stories you share together in your child's Learning Journal.

Some important information for you:

What will your child need at school everyday?



Waterproof coat -
Even if it is sunny, your coat needs to be in school.



Book Bag – you are allowed one keyring on your Book Bag.

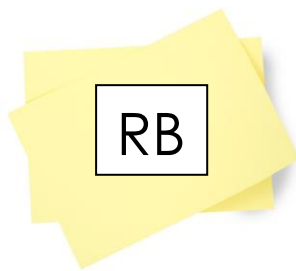


Named water bottle – please remind your child that this shouldn't be in their Book Bag.

Class sign for collection -
Your child will have brought home a coloured sign with their name and class on. Please bring this to hold up at the Gate when you collect your child each day. This will enable a smooth and quick pick up for the children and their teachers.



Fruit/vegetable snack -
When your child is full time please put a small fruit or vegetable snack in your their Book Bag for them to eat at snack time. During the Staggered Entry Period you may provide fruit if you would like to but school fruit will be provided.





For your calendar:

Tuesday 17.9.24
8.45am – 9.45am

Coffee Morning for Reading Heroes.

Wednesday 18.9.24
9.15am – 10.15am

Prospective families Open Morning – School and Nursery – please book via our website.

Coming up soon:

September		
w/b Monday 16.9.24	8.40am	All YN children attending their normal sessions
Tuesday 17.9.24	8.45am – 9.45am	Coffee morning for Reading Heroes
Wednesday 18.9.24	8.35am	YR attending school for the whole day from now on
Wednesday 18.9.24	9.15am – 10.15am	Prospective families Open Morning – School and Nursery - please book via our website.
Wednesday 18.9.23	8.00pm	PTA Meeting at The Blenheim
w/b Monday 23.9.24	-	Internal clubs start
Monday 23.9.24	am	Y6 House Captain speeches for the children in Y3 – Y5
Monday 23.9.24 – Friday 4.10.24	pm	5P Swimming at The Rainbow Centre
Tuesday 24.9.24	8.35am – 8.55am	Y1 – Y6 Class Open Time – Option 1 – Please select either Option 1 or 2 – not both
Tuesday 24.9.24	2.50pm – 3.10pm	YR Class Open Time – Option 1 – Please select either Option 1 or 2 – not both
Tuesday 24.9.24	2.10pm	YN Parent/Carer play session and catch up with your child's Keyworker
Thursday 26.9.24	8.30am – East Gate	PTA Second hand uniform sale
Thursday 26.9.24	8.35am – 8.55am	Y1 – Y6 Class Open Time – Option 2
Thursday 26.9.24	8.55am – 9.55am	Coffee morning for families whose children have a Special Educational Need or Disability (SEND)
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Reminders for you:

**Wednesday 18.9.24
8.00pm**

PTA Meeting at The
Blenheim – all welcome

School Lunches

The deadline for ordering school lunches is 8.30am on the day of the lunch. Please ensure that you remember to order your child's lunch before the deadline even if they are entitled to free school meals.

**Thursday 26.9.24
8.55am – 9.55am**

Coffee morning for families whose children have a Special Educational Need or Disability (SEND)