



# Early Years



Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have all settled into school beautifully and we are all enjoying getting to know each other! Please find below a few polite reminders. If you have any questions, please speak to an adult in your child's class. Your child has already received a home/school communication book, which can be used to pass messages on to an adult in your child's class. Thank you  
Mrs Ashby-Smith

We will look to start PE closer to half term, once the children have settled into classroom routines. We will send a text to let you know when closer to the time. **Until February half-term, your child will need to come to school in their P.E. kit**, consisting of: white/red t-shirt, navy/black hoody, black/navy shorts or jogging bottoms and trainers. **After February half-term** they will get changed at school and their P.E. kit will stay in school on their peg.



Next week we will start teaching phonics. Soon after your child will bring home a lilac reading book. This is a book with no words that you and your child can create exciting stories from. This also gives the opportunities for you to start reading routines at home which will provide vital support for your child. Please don't forget to write in your child's home reading record when you have read with your child.



Please support your child in learning to put on and take off their coats and jumpers. It can get very warm in school!



Please ensure your child brings a named water bottle to school each day.



Your child will be given a home/school book. If you would like to ask us any questions or let us know anything you can write it in this book. We will get back to you the same day. Please put the book in with your child's reading book so that messages do not get missed.



As per our school policy we will continue to ensure that children wash their hands throughout the day. They have been brilliant at doing this so far.



If your child is having a school dinner please remember to choose their meals through your school grid account.

They will be supported to find their name on the screen in the canteen.



Please ensure your child has a pair of wellies at school as the grass is still wet and muddy. There are lots of gardening opportunities coming up!



Your child will be completing the NFER Baseline Assessment. This is a statutory assessment. For more information please visit [www.gov.uk/government/publications/reception-baseline-assessment](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/reception-baseline-assessment).

Your child will be provided with fruit at snack time. We would prefer it if your child eats school snack rather than bringing their own from home. If your child does bring their own from home please ensure it is a healthy snack and that it is clearly labelled with their name.



Children are not allowed on the Early Years grass or tyres before school.