

Year R Fact Sheet



Mrs Nailor and Mrs Lucas

<u>2020 - 2021</u>



PE	The reception class have their PE lesson on a Thursday afternoon. These will start on Thursday 24 th September. The children will need to come to school in their P.E kits on every Thursday. Please keep the weather in mind as P.E lessons will be outside as far possible. Children will still need a coat on their P.E day.
Homework	Each week we will be setting your child a task to share with you. Sometimes this may be a practical activity or it could be some maths problems etc. It is helpful for your child to spend time talking to you about what they have been learning in school. Homework will be given out on a Friday and is due in no later than Thursday please.
Library books	Part of the homework is for you to share a library book with your child. Each week your child will choose a book from our class library.
Reading Books	Later on in the year your child will bring a school reading book home to share with you. Your child may also bring words that they need to learn at home too.
Topic	Please see the curriculum map on the Reception class page on the school's website for more information about what they children learn over the year.
Read, Write Inc.	Your child will be following a structured phonics program called Read, Write Inc. An additional leaflet on the Reception class page on the school's website explains more about this scheme.

Equipment	Crayons, pencils, rulers, whiteboard pens etc. are all provided by the school so there is no need for children to bring in additional equipment.
Playtime Snacks	Fruit and milk or water is provided free for your child each morning. Children are in a 'fruit group' for their snack.
Learning Journeys	The children's learning journeys are in the book area of the classroom and are there for the children to look at as they wish.
Water Bottles	Water Bottles are provided for each child and filled with fresh water every morning.
Medical Concerns	If your child requires an inhaler or other medication, please ensure a medical form has been completed and all medication is in date.
Uniform	Please ensure all uniform (including ties) are clearly labelled with your child's name.

We hope you have found this fact sheet useful. If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to ask.

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We have included some ideas to help your child with maths.

Maths will be taught in a purposeful, practical way and children will use play and exploration to develop new mathematical skills. A lot of mathematical work is practical and learning will happen in many different ways in both the indoor and outdoor learning areas.

You can help at home by:

- Singing songs that take away or add things e.g. 10 green bottles,1 man went to mow, 5 current buns
- Exploit all counting opportunities count stairs, count buttons, count lampposts on a walk, count 'red' cars on a journey etc.
- Commercial games such as snakes and ladders these help with the counting on strategy.
- Throwing beanbags/balls at numbered targets and adding up scores who scored the most? The least?
- Look for numbers whilst walking or on a journey
- Ask questions like 'if I took one away how many would I have left? 'or if I add one how many have I got now?
- Use magnetic numbers. Put them in order. Miss one out of a sequence – do they know which one is missing?