



## Reception News - January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Hope you all had a lovely Christmas! Thank you so so much for the incredible hamper, it was very generous and kind of you all and it was very much appreciated!

### **This half term:**

- PE will still be on Thursday mornings. Please remember to send your children to school in their P.E kit on this day, and they will stay in this all day. Please make sure everything is labelled even ties and socks/tights if possible!
- During the winter months when sending your child into school wearing hats, gloves and scarves, please ensure that these items are being labelled clearly.
- We would like to ask for a voluntary contribution of £5.00 per half term for Arts and Crafts and various other creative activities. As mentioned, this is a voluntary contribution and would not affect your child's involvement in such activities. Please can this be paid via the school money app.
- Drop off will take place from the side car park area. The gate will open at **8:50am** where we will meet and greet each child. The gate will be closed at **9am** so we can begin our day.
- Collection at the end of the day will be from the classroom door via the decking area at **3pm**
- Forest school will start next week. Miss Zohhadi has been in contact with you when your child's group is. Please note that on their forest school days they are able to come dressed in old clothes/P.E tracksuit.
- Please make sure you child has their book bag on their reading day and returns any books they have. Reading will start again next week (wb:10/01/21)
- Phonics Scheme - Following an update from the DfE around phonics teaching, we have now moved to a new scheme called 'Essential Letters and Sounds', this is a phonics programme based on Letters and Sounds 2007 which is the scheme we have previously followed, therefore not being much of a change for the children. I will be holding a session on this soon so watch this space.

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- This half term we will continue to gather ideas and topics through the children's interests and our 'in the moment planning model'. Even on day 1 back at school the children have decided they would like to make sock puppets after enjoying a Maths lesson featuring their favourite 'Wiggles' the puppet. If you have any old socks you are willing to donate to us we would be really grateful.
- **Phonics:** We have now started a new scheme called 'Essential Letters' Revising all our sounds - s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c, k, ck, e, u, r, h, b, f, ff, l, ll, ss, j, v, w, x, y, z, zz.  
**We will be learning:** qu, ch, sh, th, ng, nk, ai, ee, igh, oa, oo (book) as well as learning the tricky words - he, she, buses, we, me, be was, her, push, put, of, pull, his, as
- **Maths:** As a school we are now following the scheme of work from 'White Rose Maths', we will be looking at: Introducing zero, comparing numbers to 5, composition of 4 & 5, comparing mass, comparing capacity, composition and matching of 6, 7 & 8
- **P.E:** Gymnastics skills

Just a few reminders about procedures:

- We like to celebrate the children's independent achievements away from the setting, these are called 'Wow Moments'. For example: trying new food, getting themselves dressed or learning to ride a bike. You can get a 'Wow Moment' sheet from the box by the going home box each day on the decking. If your child does anything else at home that you would like to share with us, please feel free to email [teacher@allsaintsce.lbhf.sch.uk](mailto:teacher@allsaintsce.lbhf.sch.uk) and direct it to Miss Webb and Miss Zohhadi.
- Please ensure your child brings a book bag to school every day.
- Please ensure your child has a bag of spare clothes on their peg.
- Please ensure all clothing is clearly labelled.

Also please do not let your child come to school wearing jewellery etc or bring toys in their book bags.

Any questions please come and see us.

Thank you for your ongoing support,

Miss Webb and Miss Zohhadi