Welcome to Reception!

**A warm welcome to the Reception class. We hope that your child will be very happy here! We usually find that the children settle very quickly into their new routine.**

Below is some information that may be useful for new parents of Reception children. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of the team.

**The school day**

We begin our school day when the bell goes at 8.55am. The school day ends at 3.05pm.

**Staying hydrated!**

Can we ask that you send a water bottle to school with your child each day. They have access to this drink throughout the day. While we do have cups in school that children can use if they forget to bring it, a water bottle ensures that they drink at regular intervals throughout the day. Thankyou!

Floppy’s Phonics

We begin learning Phonics using our reading scheme, ‘Floppy’s Phonics’, very soon after the children enter Reception class. This is a lovely scheme, where children learn letter sounds before starting to learn to read. When children are ready, they begin their reading journey. You will receive more information about this in due course. Exciting times!

Outdoors

We aim to use the outdoors for activities and ‘free choice’ play as often as possible. We have waterproof suits that the children can use during inclement weather. We feel the children benefit greatly from using our outdoor area.

Newsletter

At regular intervals throughout the year, a Reception newsletter will go onto the school website. This will inform you of topics being covered and activities relating to them, and information dates that are coming up. It is a nice way of keeping parents up to date.