



## Reception News

Welcome to the EYFS newsletter! In our newsletter each week we celebrate successes across the Early Years Phase of our school and let you know what have been getting up to. This week in Reception we read the story 'This is me' and have been getting to know one another. Thinking about what we look like, where we live and who is in our family. The children have made beautiful pictures of their families and as classes we recorded using a tally chart who lives in each type of house. We have begun our phonics this week and learned the sounds 's, a,t and p' and the children have practised forming these sounds onto whiteboards. Next week we will be learning

### Challenges!

**Reading:** Please read at home each night and record this in your child's reading record. Your child's reading book will be changed weekly. You can record any story that you read or share together at home.

**Bedtime story:** Please log on to Tapestry this eve and every Friday for a bedtime story read by one of our team for you and your child to enjoy together. This can be recorded as a 'read' in your child's reading record.

**Phonics:** Below is the Bug Club link to the sounds and actions we will be learning this term

<https://mediaplayer.pearsoncmg.com/assets/bcpafsp2>

**Phonics video:** Each week we will send home a phonics video for your child to watch and join in with at home recorded by one of the EYFS team.

**Tapestry:** Don't forget to add your adventures to tapestry—the children love sharing their photos on the big board and this really helps to support their speaking and listening skills.

### Weekly Routines

**PE** will be inside on Thursday afternoons, please send your child to school in their PE kit.

**Reading books**—reading books will be changed weekly. Other books can be recorded in you child's reading record.

**Library books**—Our library circle time takes place each Friday. Please make sure your child returns their book each week in order to choose a new one .

**Water bottles**—Please make sure your child has a named water bottle with them in school every day as it is thirsty work in Reception!



### Certificate winners

We will begin sending certificates out with the whole school next week. Every child in Reception has settled so well and we just

want to say a huge well done to everybody for such a great start to the year :-)



## **Nursery news**

A huge well done to our Nursery children who started their staggered entry this week. This year is a new experience for us incorporating a mixture of 15 hour spaces and 30 hour space, but we must say the children have been incredible! They have settled into the routines quickly and are already showing us what superstars they are! Next week Nursery will be beginning their topic 'Marvellous Me' where they will learn all about one another.

### **Tapestry & Class Charts**

If you have yet to access either Tapestry and/or Class Charts, then please let one of the Nursery Team know. Tapestry links have been sent to the email address you provide when you returned the letter.

### **Bottles/Welly boots**

Please ensure that your child has a named drinks bottle that it is filled with water before coming to Nursery, plus a pair of named spare welly boots.

**Have a lovely weekend!**

## **Dates for the diary**

W/B Monday 23rd September– Democracy week

Flu Immunisations– Friday 27th September

### **NHS Speech drop in**

If your child is under 5 years old and you have any concerns about your child's speech, language, communication or interaction skills please contact NELFT at Great Oaks for an appointment to support your child on the contact details below.

Email: [drop-in@nelft.nhs.uk](mailto:drop-in@nelft.nhs.uk)

Telephone: 0300 300 1544



### **Childrens centres**

We have a few children's centres local to us who are able to offer a great deal of support to families. They run lots of sessions and groups for different aged children as well as parents. Please check out time website below—there is a timetable of events available on this page.

<https://essexfamilywellbeing.co.uk/hubs/northlands-park-family-hub/>



## **Reporting absences**

Please make sure to report your child's absences each day that they are off using PA Connect.

This should be reported by 8.30am each day.