



# Knowing me, knowing you!



Reception Newsletter: Term 1 2023

## Tapestry

We use Tapestry in Reception to share your child's learning and achievements in school with you. You can access these posts, like and comment on them through your Tapestry account. We would also like you to add your own posts to share your child's learning at home with us, for example if they have spotted numbers, found an interesting insect, baked a cake, had a celebration or got an award.

We will be holding Tapestry Trouble shooting sessions on Tuesday 12th September at 3.20pm with your class teacher, if you need any support please come along and we will be happy to help you.

Our topic this term is  
**Knowing me, knowing you!**

We are getting to know each other and realising that we are a member of a class. We will be using different forest based story such as The Gruffalo. We will also be learning about Autumn and finding out lots of interesting facts about our classroom animals.

Class 1 - Mrs Bell - Squirrel

Class 2 - Mrs Mitchell- Hedgehog

Class 3 - Miss Thorne - Rabbit

## Hello!

A huge welcome to all the wonderful children that have started school this week. You have all have been amazing (including all the grown ups!) at settling into school.

We are super proud of you all!



Just to make you aware that Mrs Mitchell doesn't work on a Friday and Mrs Cram will be leading Hedgehog Class on this day.

## Home Challenges

On a Friday each week we will post on Tapestry a home challenge for you to complete with your child. These will be fun activities that are based on the learning that week.

## The Fabulous Forest

Over the last year we have been developing our forest learning space. Your child will be able to extend their learning, thinking and investigation skills in the outdoors. If you haven't done so already, please could you bring to leave at school a pair of named wellies for your child, we have waterproof suits for every child.

Remember.....there is no such thing as bad weather just inappropriate clothing! We will enjoy the outdoors whatever the weather and be getting muddy!!

## Fabulous Phonics

This term we are focusing on developing the children's phonics skills.

The children will be learning the corresponding sound to each letter. They will then begin to blend these sounds together orally to say a word.

As a school we follow the Little Waddle phonics programme. More information will follow at our parent/carer workshop on 20th September.

## Things to Remember...

Your child needs to bring each day:  
a water bottle with only water inside  
their book bag  
coat

**PLEASE NAME EVERYTHING CLEARLY!**

## Marvellous Maths

Our focus this term is:

**Number:** We will focus on children recognising, ordering and writing numbers and also counting groups of objects carefully.

**Measure:** We will learn to compare and order objects by size, weight and capacity.

**Shape:** We will learn about naming and describing 2d shapes such as square, triangle, rectangle and circle. We will also be exploring patterns.

Please support this learning at home too.

## Author of the term

Our author of the term this term is Julia Donaldson. She wrote lots of stories including The Gruffalo, Zog, Room on the Broom, Stick Man and the Tales from Acorn Wood books.

Can you share one of his stories with your child? Can you share this on Tapestry.

