



Dates for your diary

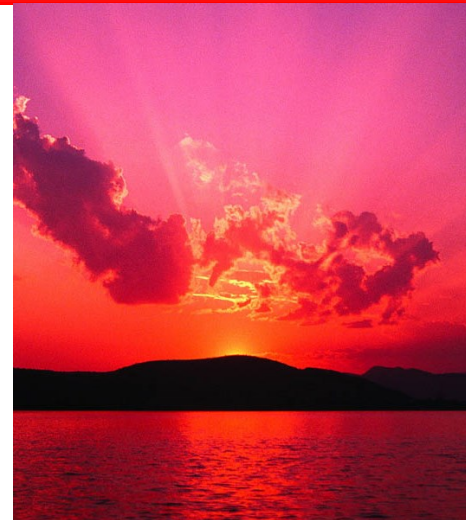
Please keep an eye out on your fortnightly newsletter for important dates.

To find out what is going on in the classroom on a weekly basis you can visit our class blog.

Red Class Reception

Mrs Fiske and Ms Firth
Mrs Crane, Miss Villalba and Miss Blake

Information for parents and
carers



Autumn Term 2016



Red Class

A huge welcome to all parents/carers and children of red class. We know this is a scary time for you all and we want to make the children's transition into school as smooth as possible. If you have any questions or problems please do not hesitate to talk to one of us. We look forward to getting to know of all you.

Child-Initiated Learning

We will start the term with the theme of journeys and will be looking at the children's own personal journeys from babies to starting school. We will be asking for all children to bring in a photo of themselves as a baby in the first few weeks of term. We follow the children's flow of where they would like to take their learning so the theme of journeys could take us to space, under the sea or high in the sky so watch this space!!

PE

Our PE lessons take place on a Thursday morning with Mr Upton. Please make sure a full, named PE kit is in school.

Outside Learning

The children love learning outside and as we offer a free flow classroom (inside and outside learning) they are often keen to take their learning outside. Please make sure your child has wellies and a suitable outdoor coat/jacket and hat everyday please; this makes it much easier for them to be independent.

Routines

It will take the children a little while to settle in and get used to our daily routine. They will be incredibly tired to start off with as there is a lot for them to take in.

Reading

We allow the children to settle in through play within the first two weeks of term. This enables us to really get to know them and for them to feel comfortable in their new setting. We will begin to give the children a pink band reading book which we encourage them to share with you. There are no words in the books but you'll be amazed at the stories they create from them.

Other stuff

It's really helpful to have all your child's clothing, shoes and water bottles named, this saves many upsets within class. Part of our role in reception is to encourage your child's independence, we would encourage you to let your child put on their own socks and shoes at home

Tapestry/Learning @ home books

Over the first couple of weeks you will receive an email giving you a link to set up a password for your child's online learning journal. There will be a further letter and follow up drop in clinic to help you get set up. It really is very easy, I promise!!