

Wells Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to Reception. I hope your child has enjoyed their first few days and that they are beginning to settle in their new classes.

I am the class teacher in Reception 1 (Mrs Ahmed) and Mr Delamere is the teacher in Reception 2. Miss Cooper will also be teaching in both classes. Also supporting in the reception classes are Miss Upton and Miss Law who are both early years educators.

Useful information

The school day starts at 8.25 and finishes at 3.00. Your child will be provided with a fruit snack every morning. Lunch time for the Reception children begins at 11:45; if your child is having school dinners, they may benefit from looking at the menu with you to help them decide on their choices each day (Click [here](#) for the menu).

We would like to remind you that we are a nut-free school; please refrain from giving your child any products containing nuts in their packed lunches. We also ask that children do not bring in food from home to share with others due to many children within the school having food allergies.

Baseline Assessment

Over the next few weeks we will be carrying out statutory baseline assessments with all of the children in Reception. For further information please click [here](#).

Homework/Tapestry

We will be using Tapestry software as a tool to share information with you. Please let us know if you have any questions about this or if you have not yet been able to access the site.

Homework will begin on **Wednesday 14th September**. It will be given out or set on Tapestry on a Wednesday and should be completed/returned by the following Monday.

Reading

The children will be given a reading book as well as a book of their choice from the class library every Monday. They will also have a reading record. We encourage children to share books at home as often as possible; please also comment on your child's progress in their reading record. Please ensure that books and reading records are in your child's bag **every day**.

Read, Write Inc is the phonics scheme we follow at Wells and we will be holding an information session for parents and carers to attend in the coming weeks. More details about this will follow soon.

PE

PE this year will be held twice a week on a **Wednesday** and **Friday**. On Wednesdays the children will have a gym session in the school hall and on Fridays they will be taught PE outdoors. The PE kit should include a pair of black shorts, a white t-shirt and a pair of trainers. As the weather begins to get colder, please also provide your child with a tracksuit for outdoor PE. This should be black or navy blue; school tracksuits can also be purchased online using your Scopy account. **PE kits will stay in school and be handed back every half term.**

Please help us to help your child look after their belongings by ensuring that all of your child's belongings are **clearly labelled** including coats, hats, uniform, PE kits, packed lunch bags, book bags and water bottles.

Classroom display

We would like to create a display in the classroom of photos of the children and their families. If possible, please send in one or two family photos for your child to share with the class.

I would just like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support with settling the children into Reception. If you have any questions or concerns throughout the year, please feel free to speak to anyone in the team.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Ahmed
(EYFS Leader)

