

Learning to Make a Difference

September 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the new academic year at Woden Primary and a very exciting time for your child beginning Year Reception. We hope you had an enjoyable and restful holiday.

As you are aware, times have been challenging over the last few years but we are hopefully moving towards a more settled time. We will be maintaining the arrangements that were in place in the Summer term, including handwashing at the beginning and end of each day.

We will inform you of any changes as soon as possible.

Reception is made up of two classes with staff as below:

Class 1 – **Mrs Everitt**

Class 2 – **Mrs Smith**

Reception additional teaching/supporting staff will be: **Miss Crump, Mrs Gould, Miss Whitehouse, Miss Lee and Ms. Goodall.**

The next 2 weeks in Reception are staggered:

WB 5th September – 8.40am - 12.00pm (No lunch)

WB 12th September – 8.40am - 1.00pm (Lunch provided)

WB 19th September – 8.40am – 3.10pm (Full day)

In **English** this term our focus will be building on our phonics skills learning to hear and say the sounds in simple words for reading and writing. We will also be learning about how to handle books for reading and enjoy listening to a range of stories.

In **Maths**, our focus will be on recognising numbers for reading and writing. We will be learning to count on in ones and place numbers in order, as well as an introduction to basic addition and subtraction calculations. We will also learn to recognise and name simple 2D shapes.

The topic this term will be **Marvellous Me**. During our topic lessons in the afternoon we will be learning all about our feelings and behavior towards others as well, talking about our family and friends. The children will also be learning about our 5 senses and people who help us such as police, doctors and firefighters.



PE for Reception is on a **Friday afternoon**. Please ensure your child arrives at school in the **correct PE kit** (White T-shirt, Blue Shorts / jogging trousers and trainers) and a reminder that no jewellery should be worn during PE sessions. Your child will stay in their PE kit all day at school.

Please ensure your child's **clothes** are all **named**, to help us to reduce lost property. Your child should also bring a **named water bottle** to school. There is fresh water available all day, in each classroom.

We understand that you might have lots of questions and queries and we will try and keep you updated through our school website as well as Class Dojo.

Many thanks,

Reception Team

