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Excalibur Primary School

Term: Autumn 1 Week: One

Reception Class Newsletter

Welcome to the start of a new school year. We hope you had a lovely summer break and are looking forward to the exciting year ahead.

In Reception, a weekly letter is sent out on a Friday to let you know what your child has been focusing on each week. We also add content onto Seesaw as well. Children are sometimes reluctant to talk about their day so this will hopefully help to give you an insight. The letters may also include reminders of special events or requests for things to be sent in. **Please logon to your child's Seesaw account if you haven't already done so.**

Thank you so much for the wonderful job you have done in preparing your children for school and in labelling your child's belongings. It has made things much smoother for us in the classroom and is an important step in helping your child to be independent, as they learn to manage their own things.

The children have been busy settling in this week and have been learning some new routines. They have coped really well and have been excited to use different areas of the setting. They have been keen to get to know one another and it has been lovely to see some new friendships beginning to form.

Snacks - please just send your child with 1 snack each day for the morning. This is so that it doesn't take too long to eat their snack and impact on lunch. In a few weeks we will begin to offer the hot snacks that can be purchased from school. We will let you know when this will be starting and what you need to do nearer the time. We have the government funded free fruit to offer in the afternoons.

Here at Excalibur we are passionate about reading and reading for pleasure and we want to instil a love of books in all children. On Monday next week your child will choose a home story book from our 'class library' to bring home to share with you. Children have the opportunity to choose a new book to share with you each **Monday and Friday**. This is when we set aside time to take out any returned books from your child's bag and your child can choose a new book. We will also be sending home a reading diary for you to record your child's reading experiences in. Reading diaries should be sent into school each day, but please don't feel pressured to record something each night.

Have a lovely weekend, The EYFS team



Super stars



Congratulations to our new Reception children who have all made a super start.

We would like to say a big thank you to all of you too. We have really appreciated your patience and support in making the first few days so successful.

Next week we will have our first PE sessions. **We won't be getting changed as we are still adjusting to our new routines.** However you can still send your child's bag in if it's ready, if you haven't already done so. Many thanks.



Wellies

Please can you send a named pair of wellies into school, if you haven't already done so? We have definitely seen a little more rain this week. The children change into their wellies after lunch each day so that they can play on either the grass or the playground as it can often be wet and muddy.

