

Welcome to Reception



Working together, creating a
partnership.





- Hopefully, everyone has logged on. If there are any problems logging on, please let us know.
- We will post pictures over the year of achievements.
- You can like and comment on these pictures and download them to keep.
- Please do not share on social media as other children may be on that picture.
- You can upload “Wow” moments to share. Please make sure they are appropriate.
- Seesaw and homework.
- Please don't send messages on seesaw as these will then be included in their learning journey. Please see us at the door or contact the office and they will pass the message on.



Reception Baseline

Do you have a child starting reception class?

If so, your child will participate in the reception baseline assessment (RBA) within the first 6 weeks of starting reception. The purpose of the assessment is to provide the starting point for a progress measure that will help parents understand how well schools support their pupils to progress between reception and year 6.

What is the RBA?

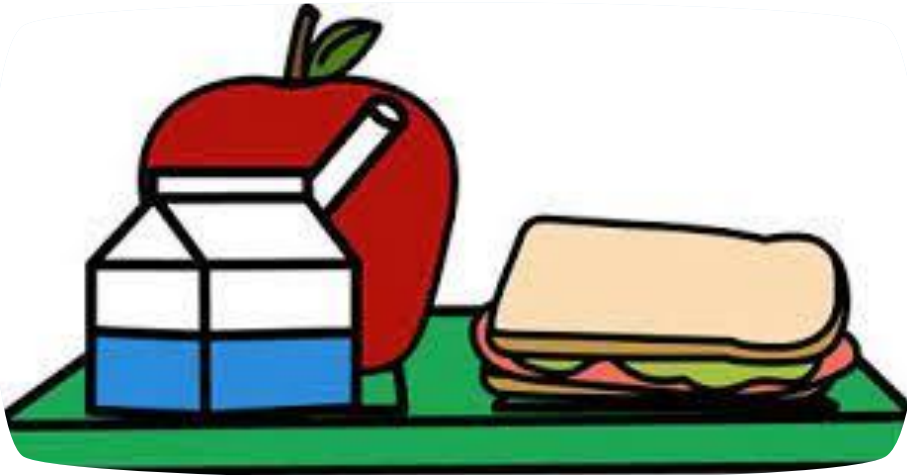
The RBA is a short, interactive and practical assessment of your child's early literacy, communication, language and mathematics skills when they begin school.



[Reception baseline assessment: information for parents - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/reception-baseline-assessment)



Lunchtime/ Snack



- Please ensure we are completely up to date with dietary requirements or allergies.
- We are a nut free school.
- Please don't overload lunchboxes, the children simply don't have time to eat it all.
- For safety, cut all small foods e.g grapes, strawberries and cherry tomatoes.
- Practise opening packets and using cutlery.
- Children do not need to bring snacks as they are provided with free fruit.
- Children need a water bottle every day.
- Milk is provided by Cool Milk



Home Learning



- Each bag will contain a reading book to share and activities based around that text.
- Please send us a message or one or two pictures on Seesaw to let us know you've completed it. Please clean laminated sheets (we trust your child has written on them).
- Please ensure you return all items in the bag, this means that we can keep these lovely resources going.
- Should anything be missing please tell us.



Monster Phonics

monsterphonics.com

In the next couple of weeks, we will begin our phonics sessions.

At Livingstone, we follow the Monster Phonics scheme. We are excited to begin our Monster Phonics sessions.

Lessons are daily and are taught with the whole class. Children will take part in guided reading sessions using Monster Phonics books.

Parent support and information on Parents page on Monster Phonics website.

[Easy And Accessible Phonics Support For Parents](#)





- The children will bring home phonics books once they have been taught the first set of sounds.
- The children will be able to sound out and blend the sounds together to read the words.
- We ask that the children read their book at least 3 times at home in order to become confident and independent in their reading.
- When the children are writing, we expect them to write using their phonic knowledge. Therefore, words will be phonetically plausible and not necessarily spelt correctly e.g. 'tighm' for 'time' or 'dai' for 'day.'



Handwriting



When children are writing we encourage them to hold their pen/pencil correctly and it is important that they start their letters in the correct place.

We encourage the children to sit up straight at the table when they are writing.

Dough Disco and Squiggle.



Think Equal



In Reception, we use the Think Equal Programme to teach Social and Emotional learning.

Each week, we share a story and complete tasks around it.

Opportunities to complete activities at home linked to the story that week.



Help us run our

SCHOOL STREET



Can you spare half an hour to help?

- You'll be helping keep our children safe
- You'll get **training**,
- There's **free childcare** at Littlestones if you're dropping off / picking up
- It's a great way to **get to know** the school and other parents too!



If we don't get more volunteers, we won't be able to keep it running.
Please speak to the school office or let your child's teacher know if you can help out. Thank you!

A few reminders ...

- Please label EVERYTHING.
- Water bottles only to be filled with water.
- Wellies in separate bag to the P.E. kit
- Milk is free for under 5s. Please ask for a leaflet if you would like to pay for milk for your child once they turn 5.
- Full P.E. kit needed including pumps
- Book Bags need to be in every day.

