

Reading

When we start sending home reading books, the first ones will be picture books. Please share the book with your child, encouraging them to tell you what is happening in the pictures. They may even want to tell you a story! Let them hold the book and turn the pages. There will be more information on our class web page about reading and phonics in the coming weeks.

Fruit.

Each day, the children can have some fruit if they wish.

We always have fruit available so you do not need to send in a snack with your child. If you choose to do so, please ensure it is a healthy, nut free snack, such as raisins, any fruit (please ensure grapes and strawberries are cut up), cereal bars. No cakes, chocolate or crisps please.

The children only need 1 snack, please ensure it is named.

Book bags

Please send your child to school with their Cottam Primary book bag every day. We will check the bags every morning, but we will also be encouraging the children to do this themselves so if they have anything to give us, please give them a reminder before they come in! These bags are for any pictures from the day and also letters so please check them every day.

Wellies

Now is the time to send in a pair of wellies! The children need wellies for playing in the outside sand area and also for outdoor play when it is wet. Please make sure your child's wellies are named.

Extra bags

The children do not need to bring in an extra bag. Please put your child's snack in their book bag.

Contacting us

Please don't hesitate to contact us with any query or question you may have. There will always be a member of the Reception team on the doors at the beginning and end of the school day for any quick questions or messages that you need to pass on.



EYFS Important Information!



Full Days!

The children are now at school all day! We will open the doors at 8.40am and close them at 8.50am. If you arrive after the door has closed, please go to the main entrance where your child will be able to enter school. School finishes at 3.15pm. Please wait in the Reception playground and we will send out your child when we see you. It will help the children (and us!) if you can stand on the side of the playground by your child's allocated door. Please bear with us for a few weeks as we get to know you all. Please let us know if somebody different is collecting your child by informing the member of staff on the door.

Milk and Water.

If you would like your child to have school milk and you have not already applied, this should be done online at coolmilk.com. It does take about a week for them to organise it. All children should bring a water bottle to school daily. They have open access to it throughout the day. This must be filled with **water only, no juice please**. There are a lot of bottles so please name your child's to help them find the right bottle.

P.E

Our P.E day is Wednesday, starting on the 10th September. On these days, please send your child to school wearing their P.E kit. We will be doing P.E in the school hall, but the children will still be playing outside during the day, so leggings or joggers are a good idea during the cold winter months. Even though we are not getting changed at school, please still name their P.E kit, **especially hoodies and trainers**.

Nuts

As we are a nut free school, please can we ask that **ANY** food you send into school is nut free. Thank you.

Naming Uniform.

Please name everything, especially jumpers, cardigans and coats. It is very challenging to reunite these items to the correct owner when there is no name in them!

Outside Equipment.

Please ensure your child (or any younger siblings) do not play on the outside equipment before or after school.