

Recreation Road Newsletter 1

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Welcome

Welcome to all our new families and to our new members of staff. Everyone seems to have settled really well and there was a lovely calm atmosphere around school last week.

We are talking about working as teams this half term and using the Olympics and Paralympics as inspiration for assemblies.

Learning in the classroom will be shared with you through our Welcome Meetings and also through the many parent sessions we have planned (see dates on additional sheet).

New Classroom

Isn't it lovely! Contractors have been busy over the summer to ensure that we could use the room from day one. There are still some finishing jobs to do which will be done over the next few weeks. The ground will be re-seeded and turfed and then we can plan for some additional storage for outdoor equipment. Please help us keep the area nice by using the pathways not the grass.

We are also really pleased with the toilet refurbishment-they look and smell great!

Classroom Information

Each class has a parent/carer noticeboard which will contain policies and information. This includes Safeguarding, Behaviour and Anti-Bullying Policies as well as guides for reading, maths, forest school and Special Educational Needs. Please refer to these or use our website.

Each class also will be using our VLE to communicate information to you and to showcase photos, ideas, activities and have interactive activities for you and your child to participate in. There is a wealth of information on each page and some really excellent links to other resources.

Happy Lunch Club

The Happy Lunch Club will provide packed lunches for your child if you wish to order. Information can be found on their website: www.thehappyclub.com

Well done to the owner, Sarah Gaches who has been selected as a finalist in the EDP Food and Drink Awards.



Our School Site After School

Please remember not to use the Year R outdoor area after school. Staff have to plan and resource the area and it is difficult to do when toddlers and older children are moving things about and using equipment. Also please do not get into the habit of using the school toilets after school. Staff meetings and planning time has been interrupted by children and adults coming back into school. Please only use in an emergency!

One last reminder...the sports hall car park is for staff only and so parents and carers should not be using this during drop off or pick up times. Thanks

Family Room

Many thanks to Becky and Claire, two of our parents who are opening our Family Room each morning (11:30-12:00) up until Friday 14th Sept. After that we will return to Thursday afternoons at 2pm. Please feel welcome to pop in for a coffee and a chat...toddlers are welcome and you'll find lots of information about parenting on display but also have a good chance to meet new people.

Volunteering In School

This year we are asking volunteers to complete a short and straightforward application form prior to them volunteering. This will allow us to provide better training for volunteers and also plan in CRB checks etc to help office staff.

We would love you to come and help-we are particularly keen in developing a group who will read to children, a group who will play number games and a group who are interested in developing outdoor learning. Of course all other skills are valuable too!

Please pick up a leaflet from the school office.

Summer Reading Challenge

Did you do the Summer Reading Challenge this year? If so, we would love to hear about what you read and also have a look at any certificates you may have got.

Remember our Wall of Inspiration will remain up in the hall this term, so please continue to add to it. It could be a photo of you or your child with a certificate or award or a short comment about something you have achieved.

