

# Reception Parents Information

## Autumn Term 1



# All About Me!



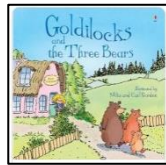
### What we are learning this half term...

We will focus our learning around the topic of ourselves, where we live and woodland plants and animals. We will find out lots of facts about each other; what we like and don't like, our interests and hobbies and all about our families. We intend to go for some walks around the local area and find out about Wrose village. We will also visit some woods to look at woodland plants and animals. We will read lots of stories, including: *The Gruffalo*, *We're going on a Bear Hunt* and *Little Red Riding Hood*.

The core story for this half term is **Goldilocks and the Three Bears**.

### Other things we will do...

We will be making story maps about some of the books we have read and 'real maps' of the school and the local area.



We will act out and retell the story of *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*.



#### Core Story

Core stories are books we will focus on in depth each half term. We will send the story home for you to share with your child. Please return it the next day to ensure every child gets a chance to read it at home.

We will learn alternative words to familiar rhymes.

#### Maths

We are in the process of assessing your child's understanding of mathematics. We will then learn about:

Recognising numerals

Counting objects



Ordering numbers by size

Putting numbers in order

We will learn about the different plants and animals which live in woodland. We will look at changes in autumn and use some autumnal foliage in our play.

#### Food Preparation & Snack

Snack is an important part of the Early Years curriculum and in our experience all children benefit from this activity. It can be preparing food, baking, looking at changes in food, talking about what they like/dislike or just simply helping children's confidence to try new food alongside their friends. We ask for a voluntary contribution of **50p per week** or **£3.50 for this half term**. We will also use these contributions towards play dough ingredients or other consumables in class.



Please could you send the money in a named envelope.

Any queries please see a member of the Reception team.

## Invitation to a Phonics Evening

We would like to invite you to a **Phonics Information Evening on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 5.00pm** in the school hall. We will share lots of helpful guidance with you about supporting your child with phonics and reading at home. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we prefer only one parent from each family to attend, which will limit the number of people in the hall. Afterwards, there will be an opportunity to look at your child's classroom. Please let your class teacher know if you're attending.

## P.E and Clothing

Your child's P.E. day is every **Friday**. They will need to come to school wearing their P.E. kit on this day.

You may have noticed our new water play area. We provide waterproof suits for the children. Please can you send a pair of **NAMED** wellies into school which your child can wear when accessing this provision.

**Please make sure you NAME ALL clothing.**

Although we have waterproof suits and aprons for the children to wear to protect their uniform, sometimes they do still get wet and dirty. We do strive to keep them as clean as possible.

## Library

The children visit the new school library every Friday. Your child will bring a library book home for you to share and enjoy together.

Please ensure you return this book the following Friday so your child can choose another library book to take home.



## Lunch Time

We are so impressed with your children and how they have coped at lunchtime.

Each day, they have the choice of two warm options. In addition to this, they are also offered: jacket potato, panini or a selection of sandwiches. They have a choice of different desserts each day too. Please can your child practise using a knife and fork to cut and eat their own food! This will help them enormously at lunch time.



## A message from the Reception Team...

Mrs Horne, Mrs Nellist, Miss Jones, Mrs Kaur, Mrs Slattery and Miss Lee are very proud of the way the children have settled into school. Thank you for all your help and support.

Mrs Horne

Mrs Nellist

Miss Jones

Mrs Kaur

Mrs Slattery

Miss Lee