

Reception Class Newsletter

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☀️ Welcome to Reception! ☀️

A very warm welcome to all our new Reception families! We are so excited to begin this year together and look forward to all the learning, fun, and adventures that await. This year is about building confidence, developing independence, and making wonderful memories as we start our school journey.



Our Reception Team

- Mrs Norcup is our class teacher and will be in school Monday to Thursday.
- Miss Hancock is our classroom Teaching Assistant, supporting the children's learning every day.
- Mrs Rowe will be working with us throughout the week at different times and will also be teaching the class on Fridays.



What We Will Learn

This term we will begin with our theme "Regulate Me", learning all about feelings and emotions through stories, role play, and circle time. This will help us to understand and manage our emotions as we settle into school life. Afterwards, we will move on to learning about our families and the wider world around us. We will explore what makes us special, who is important to us, and how we belong to our community.

In Reception, there are seven areas of learning which guide our curriculum. These areas are taught both inside and outside, through adult-led activities, small group work, and open-ended play opportunities. Each day is filled with opportunities to be curious, creative, and confident learners.

You can find our Crucial Knowledge (the important things we need to know) on the back of this newsletter.

If you have any questions please do contact me on the email above, or speak to me at the door. 😊



What We Need Each Day

To help your child be ready for learning, please make sure they bring the following to school every day:

- Book bag (for reading books, letters, and work)
- All clothing clearly labelled (jumpers, coats, and even shoes)
- A water bottle filled with plain water only – no juice, please.
- A big smile and determination to succeed!



PE Days

Our PE day will be Tuesday. On this day, children should come to school wearing their PE kits and trainers, ready to join in with lots of movement and fun!



School Lunches

All Reception children are entitled to a free school lunch each day. A menu of meals can be found here: <https://www.crackleybank.staffs.sch.uk/index.php/parent-information/lunch-menu>. Children can choose from a variety of healthy and tasty options.



Reading

Reading daily is one of the most important ways you can support your child's learning—it builds confidence, develops vocabulary, and nurtures a lifelong love of books. Even a few minutes each evening makes a big difference! Please let us know in their diary how they have got on.