



CLASS NEWSLETTER

Autumn 1 Newsletter

Welcome to Early Years! We are really looking forward to getting to know all of the children. This term our topic is: **Marvellous Me** we will be exploring our topic alongside our literacy text, **Oh No, George**. This term we will be focusing on settling the children into their new classes and getting used to our new routines. We will also be starting PE and Forest School in their first full week of school. We know this is a big transition so there may be some tears at the start of the day (from parents too!), however please be rest assured we will contact you if we need to.

Something Special

Our new topic is **Marvellous Me**. We will be celebrating how the children are all different and unique by sharing what is special to them. We would like each child to bring in 1 item that is special to them to share in a small group to encourage them to feel more confident. Please name any photos or their toy they would like to share.

Literacy- This half term we will be looking at 'Oh No, George'. We will be looking retelling, ordering and sequencing the story. In our writing we will be using our initial sounds to retell parts of the story.

Phonics- We will be starting Phonics within the first few weeks of school. We follow the Little Wandle Phonics Scheme. We will provide a learning pack for you to use at home with your child, it has a phase 2 grapheme information sheet to help support your child's letter formation. We will collect these at the end of the year so please take care of these packs.

Topic- We will be exploring 'Marvellous Me'. This project teaches children about themselves and how they are unique and special.

Jigsaw- Our focus this half term is 'Being me in my world'. We will be looking at the question: 'Who am I and how do I fit in?'

Maths- During this half term we will be developing the children's counting and subitising numbers within 5. We will be comparing sets of objects and using the language of comparison.

Values- Our value this half term is **Responsibility**.

PE & Forest School - We will be starting PE & Forest School on the week commencing 15th September 2025, please make sure your kit for both of these sessions is in school on Monday 15th September. Please support your child with practising their changing at home. Both classes will have PE and Forest School on the same days but at a different time.

PE and Forest School are on Tuesdays

School Equipment

Please provide a named water bottle for your child each day and we will refill these when necessary. Please also bring in your child's bookbag everyday and check it in the evenings as we will put in any important letters. Please ensure that any toys **stay at home** and do not come into school as we don't want them to get lost or broken.

Your child will be provided with a Reading Record and picture book within the first few full weeks of school. Please use these picture books as an opportunity to look at who, what, when, where and why questions when discussing the pictures. You may just want to start with a couple of pages each day and progress to the whole book if they find concentrating for the whole book tricky. When we have finished the first half term of teaching we will send reading books home according to your child's assessment. We will change these books weekly, collecting your Reading Record and Reading Book on a Thursday and giving them back out on a Friday. Please read their school book **5 times a week at home**. Sign and date each time you read with your child. **Please keep the reading book and Reading Record in your child's book bag** as we read with your children in the week.

Dates

12/09 Children stay for their first full day

14/10 & 16/10 Parents evenings

27/10 Break up for Half Term

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Thank you for your support
Early Years team

Overview of topic

This project teaches children about settling in to the new routines and rules of school and encourage them to feel confident in their class and when making new friends. It teaches children about being helpful, kind and thoughtful at home and at school. It teaches the children that they are unique and special.

Talk to a grown up

Can you talk to your grown ups or other family members about their experiences of starting school. Talk about your worries and also what you are excited about. You could draw a picture about what you are excited about.

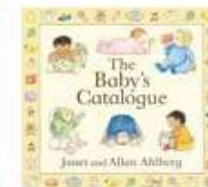


Draw a map

Can you create a map of your journey to school from your house. You can draw what you see on your way to school, is there any zebra crossings/ shops/ road signs that you see on your way.



Books to share



Our topic this half term is Marvellous Me. Here are some activities you could do around our topic. We are asking that the children complete one of these as a compulsory homework over the half term. **Homework**

Please can you choose one activity to do at home and bring it in to share by the last week of the half term.

The Lion and The Mouse -

This is a story of love, kindness and friendship. Can you watch the story on the following link - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k14YDC1Kn-o> and talk about how the lion and the mouse were feeling throughout the story. Can you draw and picture or write words with your grown up about what makes a good friend.



Roll a Dice

Can you roll a dice or ask your grown up to hold up an number of spots 1-5? Using the number cards in your learning pack can you find the matching number to the number of dots.



Marvellous Me

Draw a picture of yourself and talk to your grown up about what makes you unique and special.

