Term 2

Key Dates

Whole school events are not included in this list.

- Every Tuesday - please send children into school wearing their forest school clothing
- Every Wednesday - please send children into school wearing their P.E kits (starting on 11th November)
- Friday 13th November - phonics parent meeting and a writing workshop stay and play session

Term 2 Updates

We are excited to be introducing our Head Teacher Hero Awards in Reception! Each week, one child will be chosen to receive a special Head Teacher Hero certificate (which is linked to the fruits of the spirit) to celebrate their achievements and recognise their fantastic efforts in school.



As part of this special award, the chosen child will also have the opportunity to take home a special friend for the weekend. Children in Badger Class will be able to take home Snuggles the Bear, while children in Squirrel Class will be able to take home Gerald the Giraffe.

Children will take their special friend home on a Friday and return them to school the following Monday. We hope they will enjoy sharing their weekend adventures with Snuggles and Gerald, showing them all the fun things they get up to and creating some lovely memories together.

If you would like to share your child's weekend adventures with Snuggles or Gerald, please feel free to write about them in their diaries. You may also include photographs if you wish, although we kindly ask that photographs of children are not included. Alternatively, you can send photographs to the school office. We would love to share these with the class so that the children can talk about their experiences and tell their friends all about their weekend.

We are really looking forward to celebrating the children's achievements and seeing all the wonderful adventures Snuggles and Gerald get up to!

Parent Workshop

We would like to invite you to attend our Phonics and Writing Workshop, which will take place on Friday 13th November at 2:30pm. The workshop will begin with a presentation in your child's classroom about our phonics programme and ways you can support your child at home.

Following the presentation, you will join your child during exploration time. They will have the opportunity to show you their favourite places to learn and play, and there will be activities available that demonstrate how we support the development of early writing. All of these activities are practical ideas that can be easily replicated at home.

This will be a wonderful opportunity to gain an insight into your child's school experience and see first-hand how we support their learning and development in Reception.

Please let us know if you can attend by completing this form: here or let the office know.

Dropping Off

We are keen to foster the children's independence in the mornings. As you have seen, the children are settled and confident when arriving at school. From next week (2nd November), we kindly ask that you say goodbye at the wooden gate by the mud kitchen and allow your child to walk to the classroom independently.

Buddies

All children have been allocated a Year 5 buddy. Next term, they will spend time together taking part in activities designed to help them get to know one another and build positive relationships. Having an older buddy helps children feel supported within the school community and provides them with a familiar face around school.