



Windmill L.E.A.D. Academy
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Reception Newsletter

This term our topic is called "Why do you love me so much?"

We are going to be:

- exploring our new and exciting environment.
- learning how to listen and make good choices in reception
- starting our daily 'Read, Write, Inc.' phonics programme and number sense project.

Name Writing

It is very important for children to be able to write their own name and they are given lots of chances to practise in school. Usually, the children would practise writing their name with their adult when they come in in the mornings, however, as we are currently unable to do this, it would be wonderful if you could encourage and support your child with writing their name while they are at home with you.

Reading at home

All children will be given their reading diaries and their reading book. We encourage parents to read with their child as often as possible. Reading with your child at home will have a huge impact on not only your child's reading skills but other vital skills such as their imagination and communication and language skills. Please remember to sign your child's reading diary when you have read with them. If your child has read their book at home three times a week or more they will get a reading award! Remember that your child does not need to be able to read the words yet but you can comment on if they enjoyed the book or asked and answered questions about what they heard.



Welcome to Reception.

Well done to all of the children! Despite not having the chance to meet everyone before starting school, they have come in with enthusiasm and huge smiles, ready to begin their time in reception. We are looking forward to an exciting and busy year ahead.

Lunch Times

Children in Reception are really enjoying their new lunch time at school. Children have a variety of choice across the week of lunches that they can choose from. Please see the lunch menu online or ask a member of staff for a copy if necessary. If your child is bringing a packed lunch to school please make sure that it contains a range of foods that will give your child lots of energy for an afternoon of fun learning. **No nuts, lolly pops or hard boiled sweets please!**



Reminders

Your child needs to bring a coat to school every day, as we play outside no matter what the weather. Please make sure you put their name in everything they bring to school including clothes, coats and lunchboxes, it makes it so much easier if things get lost. The children look so smart in their uniforms. Jumpers are available to buy from the school office.

Please remember to keep the office up to date with your contact details, so if you change your phone number we can still contact you.

If someone different is coming to collect your child please let us know. You can tell a member of staff or call the school office. We can set up a password to ensure your child's safety. If we do not know the adult collecting your child, they will not be dismissed.

One final reminder that **RJS class P.E day is Wednesday.** - **RRT P.E day is on a Thursday.** Children do not need to get changed for P.E they only take their shoes and socks off. It is great to see children trying to do this by themselves!!