

Reception Weekly Newsletter

Date: 7th - 11th September

Reading and Phonics

In class we are learning our letter sounds and names. Please could you work with your child recognising the letter and the sound that they make.

Please cut them out and use them to play games with...

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Maths

We will be practising oral counting and recognising numbers to 10.

Our Learning Theme:

Getting to know each other!

This week we will be:

- Reading stories about starting school.
- Talking about what we like doing at home and school.
- Practising writing our names. Capital letter only for the first letter. The rest in lowercase. E.g. Rebecca Smith.
- Making new friends and getting to know each other.



Key Vocabulary:

Mum Dad brother sister friend pet

Key information

- Don't forget our **Welcome to Reception Meeting on Tuesday 8th September at 9am in the Hall.**
- PE is always on Mondays. **Please send children to school in PE kit every Monday from 7th September.** Please send in a pair of **named black pumps** for your child to keep in school. Please see information below.

PE – On the days that your child has P.E. they will need to wear their kit to school.

- Black/grey sports shorts/leggings/joggers and white T-shirt. School sweatshirt or cardigan.
- Trainers (Velcro fastening preferable/any colour).
- Pumps to be kept in school,

All items worn or brought to school must be clearly marked with the child's name.

If you wish to have your child's ears pierced, please do it at the beginning of the summer holiday. This will give the piercings time to heal before your child returns to school in the autumn term. Please note that our uniform policy is that;

No earrings or jewellery should be worn at school

If you choose to ignore this rule and your child is wearing earrings on a day when PE is timetabled for their class, you will be contacted to come into school and remove them. This is because PE is part of the National Curriculum and we have a duty to ensure that your child takes part in the lesson. We are not allowed to remove children's earrings. This policy is sensible and in line with national professional guidance

- Reception email –
s4reception@blossomfield.solihull.sch.uk
- All water bottles will be sent home daily for cleaning. Please remember to send them in full every day. **Name them clearly please.** Please don't send bottles in book bags as they often leak and spoil books.
- Please ensure all clothing is named, including shoes. All jumpers and cardigans look the same!
- All children need a school book bag. The office is selling book bags at the school office. They are £7. Please do not send your child to school with a backpack as the cloakrooms aren't big enough to accommodate them. The book bags fit neatly into your child's drawer.

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope that you find this newsletter informative. If you would like an overview of what your child is learning this half term, you can find more information at this link: [Curriculum Maps](#).

Research shows that asking your child to retrieve or recall their learning aids memory. Retrieval practice is a strategy in which bringing information to mind enhances and boosts learning. More information can be found in this short video: [Retrieval Practice](#).

We hope that you will take a little time each week to explore further, with your child, what they can recall about their learning each week.



STORYSACKS

- Make a Story Sack

Do you enjoy sharing books with your child?
Would you like some more ideas on how to bring stories to life?
Do you enjoy craft activities?

FREE Course! | Blossomfield Infant and Nursery School | Mondays for 6 Weeks
Starts September 14th | 9.15am - 11.15am

CRECHE AVAILABLE!

Our "Playing with Language" course helps you and:

- ✓ develop essential early skills through play.
- ✓ build skills for future reading, writing, and maths.
- ✓ create unique story sacks for home use.
- ✓ join a supportive parent community.

This 6-week course is perfect for parents, carers, and grandparents with Foundation Stage children.

Sign up at the school office!