

Bumblebees and Butterflies

CLASS NEWS

Autumn term – 2022

Welcome to Reception

We are very excited that your children are starting at Westfield Primary School. This term they will spend time settling into their new classes and getting to know the class rules and routines. We want to make this a very positive experience for both children and parents so if you have any concerns please do not hesitate to phone or email us and we will do our very best to help you.

This half term's topic is **All About Me**. We will be hearing a variety of stories such as 'How Do You Feel?' and 'My Perfect Pet' and learning more about ourselves and the people around us. It is an exciting topic - for more information please look at the topic web that has come home with your child.

After half term we will be learning about **Space**. We will be reading lots of space themed stories and finding out about the moon and the planets.

Tea and Tissues

You are warmly invited to join us in the hall on Friday 16th September straight after dropping your child off at school for our annual Tea and Tissues event. You will have the opportunity to meet other parents from the Reception classes and enjoy some refreshments and a chat together.



DATES FOR THIS TERM:

5th - 8th September
School visits.

9th - 13th September
Children in half days.

14th & 15th September
All children in for the morning only and stay for lunch - pick up 1:00pm

16th September All children go full time. Tea and Tissues

21st September Phonics workshop 2:30pm

28th September School Photos

12th October book look 2:30pm

18th and 20th October parents evening

20th October Infant Harvest assembly 11am

24th - 30th October Half Term

31st October INSET day

6th December Reception Christmas assembly 10am

16th December Term ends 1.20pm

PE

Each class has a weekly PE lesson. Bumblebees and Butterflies class both have a lesson every Monday and Forest school every Thursday. Please ensure your child wears their PE kits to school on these days and all earrings are removed from pierced ears before school.

Reading

Once the children begin to learn letters and corresponding sounds through our Read, Write Inc. phonics programme, they will bring home a phonics pack. The phonics pack can stay at home and we would ask if you could kindly practise the new sound that your child learns at home each day. Please help your child to recognise each sound, say it correctly and form it correctly using a good pencil grip. We will be happy to support you with this.

Alongside this class newsletter and the topic web, you will also receive a knowledge organiser with details of some of the key words and concepts that your children will be exposed to this term. This gives you the opportunity to discuss these at home to become more involved with your child's learning and help them develop an on-going love of learning.

Water bottles

Please ensure that your child brings a water bottle into school every day. This should contain only water, not squash or juice.

Many thanks and best wishes for the term ahead.

Mrs Thomas, Miss Wallis, Mrs Maslin and Mrs Smith.