

How can I help my child?

- Support with recognising and writing their name.
- Reading to your child- pointing out the key events in a story and discussing details such as the title, author, page numbers etc.
- Playing games such as eye spy to encourage children to identify the sounds at the beginning of words.
- Counting familiar objects around them.
- Recognising and writing numbers 0-20.
- Encouraging your child to draw, colour and use child-sized scissors.
- Encouraging self-help skills such as dressing and fastening buttons, zips, and shoe laces.

Homework activities to support learning and development will be sent out on a Friday. Please return to school by the following Wednesday.

In addition to homework, children will also begin to bring home reading books and action words as the term progresses. Please could you leave a comment in the reading record about how your child has read at home.



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Reception Newsletter

Autumn 2018

Dear Parents,

We would like to welcome you to Wynyard Church of England Primary School! The children have had a busy and fun-filled first week in Reception and have all settled brilliantly into school life. Our termly newsletter for Reception will let you know what will be happening in Class 1 and 2 and offer suggestions as to how you may help and support your child at home.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to speak to a member of Reception staff.



Miss Jemmeson & Mrs Fawcett

Our themes this term are **All About Me and Seasonal Changes.**

During these themes children's learning and development will be supported by activities based on:

- Senses, families, homes, body parts and keeping healthy.
 - Getting to know each other.
- How the weather changes throughout the year and focusing on Autumn/Winter.

In addition, we will use the children's own interests to plan exciting and engaging learning opportunities. If you think you have anything that can help with our themes, please speak to a member of staff.

We are hoping to have a healthcare professional come into speak to the children about keeping healthy – if any parents or relatives work as a doctor, dentist, nurse etc. and would be willing to come in to speak to the children please speak to one of the class teachers.

RE

Our RE topics this term are:

- I am Special
- Harvest
- Special People
- Christmas

All About Me

Please could you bring a photograph of your child as a baby and a family photograph.

PE

Reception PE sessions take place on a Tuesday afternoon and are led by Ollie from Craig's Coaching and Emma our gymnastics coach. We kindly ask that all children bring their PE kit into school at the beginning of a half-term and we will return them to you at the end of each half-term.

Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly labelled.

Outdoor Play

In Reception, children will have regular time in our outdoor classroom, which is resourced to further support their learning and development. Please make sure that children have a waterproof coat with them each day. We also ask that as the weather changes children bring hats, scarves, gloves, wellies etc. as we will be accessing our outdoor classroom in all weathers.

Phonics and Literacy

Children will be taught phonics using the Read Write Inc. phonics programme. We will be holding an information meeting for parents and information on this date will follow. This meeting will detail how children are taught to read and write in Reception and how you can help at home.

Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled so we can return any missing items to you as quickly as possible.

Please send a labelled water bottle to school with your child each day. Bottles should only be filled with water.

Observational Assessments

To record your child's progress and development we use an iPad app called 2Build a Profile. Each Friday, we will send home your child's observation/s for the week to share their learning experiences with you. If you would like to add your own comments, please do so before returning them to school in your child's book bag on a Monday.

We would just like to thank all parents for their support with children's All About Me bags and booklets. We loved looking at them and finding out more about the children.

If you have not yet completed an All About Me booklet, please do so and return to school.