



CUDDINGTON COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, we would like to give you all a warm welcome to Cuddington, whether your child is new to Cuddington, or if they previously attended Acorn Nursery – we are very pleased that they are joining Pear Tree Class. We are so excited about this new academic year and are especially pleased with how every child has adapted into their new learning environment.

Learning for this half term This half term we will be getting to know the children and making sure that they form friendships and that they are comfortable in their new learning environment. We are very much looking forward to starting our phonics teaching which will commence when the children have settled in. The children will be learning about the school environment, and we will be doing a lot of partner and group work to encourage the children to get to know each other and to form friendships.

A polite notice

Please can you help to support your child with their personal hygiene. Please practise at home and ensure your child can wash / dry their hands independently, blow their own nose and be able to go to the toilet on their own. Please make sure that all your child's uniform is clearly named and that they bring a named water bottle to school daily. We cannot allow juice / squash of any sort. We would highly recommend that you name your child's school shoes clearly too, as they will be changing into wellies most lunchtimes throughout the Autumn term.

If you have not yet returned your Tapestry form or have not yet gained access to your Tapestry account, please approach a member of the reception team.



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PE

Please note, as for all PE lessons, earrings will need to be removed before school. Children will be taking part in vigorous exercise during these sessions so a full PE kit will be required on this day. Outdoor PE will be weather dependent so children will need to be prepared with indoor and outdoor kit. Please do not provide your child with 'lace up' trainers if they are unable to tie them independently. We will not start PE until the children are settled, we

anticipate this will be towards the end of September. We will let you know your child's colour team via Tapestry ('Memo Feature').

Home learning

Your child will be provided with a 'sound folder'. We will send home weekly 'sounds' that we have been learning each week for you to talk to your child about and for your child to practice. These will be given out weekly. Please keep your child's sound folder in their book bag so that we can update the sound sheets when required.

Reading

In the next few weeks your child will be given a reading record and reading book. At this stage in the year, we tend to give books with no words. The purpose of these books is to get you and your child into a daily reading routine. Children need to become familiar with how to handle books and encouraged to talk about story lines, characters and pictures. We recommend that you spend 5-10 minutes per day going through these books with your child, talking about the story or non-fiction book and questioning them. Please make comments in your child's reading record - we will check these regularly to see how your child is getting on and how often they are reading a book with an adult. The children will also receive a weekly library book (on a Thursday) this will be an excellent opportunity for you to read to your child; a most valuable learning experience for them, where they can learn new vocabulary, ask and answer questions about the books and learn ways to show expression when reading aloud. Again, once we have settled the children, library visits will begin.



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Parental support

At Cuddington we have always been proud of how supportive parents have been with volunteering in school, if you are interested in supporting in school, please let yourself known to us so that we can begin the process. We are looking forward to doing lots of cooking with the children this year. We would be grateful if you could donate £5 towards our yearly cooking supplies. Please put the £5 in a named envelope in your child's bag or give to a member of the reception team.

Reception Information Meeting

On Monday 14th September we will be holding a meeting where we will share all our routines and procedures. This will start at 8.45am and last around 30 minutes. Please do attend, we look forward to seeing lots of you there!

On Tuesday 6th October Mrs Day will be holding a phonics workshop for parents. We currently use the Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised Scheme. During the workshop you will learn about how the children are taught to read and write at this early stage, along with how to support them at home. Your attendance is encouraged. It will begin after school drop off (around 8.50am) and last around 45 minutes.

Our 'Harvest Sing Along' will be on Wednesday 14th October at around 2.30pm. You are invited into school to hear the children sing some Harvest songs.

Communicating with teachers

If you have any queries or questions, we ask that you email us at emma.day@cuddington.thpt.org.uk, leave a message with the school office or speak to us at the end of the day, once all the children have been safely dismissed. It is an incredibly busy time of the day, and we must ensure the children are delivered to their parents / carers safely, without being distracted.

We are looking forward to a wonderful school year with the children.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Day & Mrs Wright



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