



Reception Newsletter - Autumn 1



Welcome back! We hope you have had a wonderful summer holiday. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the Reception team for those of you who are new to school.

Deputy Headteacher—Miss Bolger

Phase Leader—Mrs Henry

Reception Teachers—A: Mrs Henry. B: Miss Bolger/Mrs Browne

Reception Support Staff—Miss Aslam, Mrs Pope, Mrs Kaur, Mrs Ali, Miss Arfan and Mrs Bibi.



Class Dojo

All children will be sent home with a class dojo log in. Please activate this as soon as possible. Class dojo is our main communication portal. We will post messages, video and homework tasks on here for children to see. Each child also has a portfolio which allows you to see a snapshot of the learning done in school. We also encourage you to post any learning or experiences that you do with your child at home. If you have any problems accessing Class Dojo, please talk to a member of the Reception team.

Reading

Reading is a priority at Hunslet Moor and we encourage children to read as regularly as possible.

Children in Early Years love to listen to stories. We have daily story sessions and children will be encouraged to explore our reading area where they can look at books independently. Reception children will be sent home with a reading book and reading record. Please read this book at least 3x a week and record this in their reading record by writing the date and how well they did.

Reading with your child will promote great speech and language skills as you look and talk about what is happening in the pictures and in the story. Sharing books is a great way to spend quality time together and it should be something you both enjoy doing!

PE

Reception will have PE on **Thursday** and our first focus is body management.

Please ensure you send your child to school in PE kit on their PE days. Reception children are provided with a school PE kit to wear. All children must wear suitable trainers.

Uniform

As we enter the autumn term please ensure your child comes to school with a raincoat and suitable shoes. **We ask that all school uniform is labelled** with your child's name so that we can quickly locate any lost items. We operate an open door policy so if you have any questions about your child please contact a member of the team.

Key dates

11th October — Reception family picnic.
24th October— School picture day.
25th October— break up for half term.

Topic—All About Me!

Our topic is 'All About Me'. We will be celebrating our new Reception starters by learning about children's interests, favourite things, families and personal beliefs. We are a very diverse community where everyone is valued and we want the children to be able to talk about what makes them special and unique.

To support our topic please upload any picture's to your child's Dojo account that show their interests/hobbies or favourite things and if possible a family photo for the children to talk about.

Home Learning

Each child in Reception will receive a home learning book which will contain activities for your child to do at home linked to their current learning. Please spend time helping your child to complete the activities and talk to them about their learning.



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Activities will also be put on Class Dojo.



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