Foundation Stage News

Welcome to the Foundation Stage

We hope that you have had a relaxing and enjoyable summer! Welcome to the new families who are joining us in the Foundation Stage as well as all of those returning!

Our weekly News aims to provide parents with information about the setting in Elf and Sea Goat classes. This includes information about what your child has been doing. We also like to share with you information about the snacks your child has been trying. Reminders and other notices about whole school events are included in the main school newsletter.

We value our relationship with parents and believe in our ethos of 'parents as partners'. Staff are available before and after each session should you need to share information with them. If you wish to speak to a member of staff in confidence, please let us know. We would like to thank the parents who attended our open morning this week; it was lovely to see the children and meet the parents again.

We would like to introduce you to our team.



FS1 teacher and Foundation Stage Leader



FS2 teacher



French teacher



FS1 Keyworker



FS1 Keyworker



FS2 keyworker



F52 keyworker





We are also pleased to introduce our new Extended Day Care team.



Elf Class (FS1)

FS1 have enjoyed exploring their new classroom environment with their parents. The children have also had great fun on the outdoor apparatus and



have enjoyed playing in the playground.

Well done Elf class!



Sea Goat Class (FS2)

Welcome to all our children! We were impressed by how well the children settled into the classroom on their first day. They had a fantastic time exploring and making new friends.



Well done Sea Goat class!

FS1 Home Link Activity

Each week we will send a Home Link activity that complements work in school. The Home Link activity can be returned the following week to be shared in class. Home Link will start next week.

Tapestry Online Learning Journal

Any parent who whose child was in Elf class last year and has stayed in Elf class with Mrs Brown does not need to download their Learning Journey. The same learning journey will continue this year in Elf class.

New parents

Each new child will be given access to their Tapestry Online Learning Journal in the next few weeks. We will send further information next week about how this is done. Please ask any member of the team for further information.

FS2 Home Link Activity

Tapestry

Any child in Elf class last year who moved up to Mrs Tarpey can now download their learning journal. All journals have been saved so no information will be lost.

How to download photos and media-

Please follow the online instructions on your log in page. This will allow you to download and print your Tapestry file. We would like this to be done by the 13th September. Please let us know if you need any help or support.

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Illness

If your child in going to be absent from school please could you contact the office on 065 445283.

Library Visits

In the next weeks both Sea Goat and Elf class will have the opportunity to visit the library. Elf class's visit will take place on a Friday morning and Sea Goat class time will be confirmed next week. The library books will need to be returned for the following session so the children can exchange them. This will start in the next couple of weeks.

Paperwork

Please could all outstanding paperwork be returned to the main school office. A letter regarding snack fund payment will be sent.

Please can all parents accessing the Extended Day Care in Elf class (FS1) please ensure all EDC paper work is handed into the main school office or Mrs Pattenden in FS1.

Outdoor Discovery

Learning takes place not only inside but outside the classroom too! The children have the opportunity to play in the outdoor areas as part of our outdoor discovery programme. Please could children in **Elf class and Sea Goat class** bring wellington boots to help protect their clothing. It can get very messy outside!

P.E.

The P.E. sessions are as follows:

Elf class - Tuesday

Sea Goat class- tbc- times will be displayed next week

Please could all <u>Sea Goat</u> parents ensure a P.E. kit is provided including a t-shirt and shorts. Would parents please ensure earnings are not worn on P.E. days. If ears have been recently pierced and earnings cannot be removed then children should bring sticky tape to school on PE days to cover the earnings whilst they have PE. Your co-operation in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Elf class (FS1) do not require a PE kit.

Uniform

Thank you to all parents for ensuring that all children have returned to school in the correct uniform.

Book bags/back pack

These are very useful for taking school work and reading/library books home.

Collection of children

Elf Class (FS 1) Permission slips

Please could permission slips be completed if your child is to be picked up by another adult, and returned to the class teacher.

Sea Goat class

Please could parents in Sea Goat class inform the main school if your child is to be picked up by another adult. This message will be passed to the classroom teacher.

Namina clothes

Please could all clothes be clearly labelled with your child's name.