# Welcome to Reception Red Class

Mrs J. Hill Class Teacher

I am looking forward to getting to know you and working together with you and your family so that we can have a very exciting and productive year. I hope that you enjoy the new challenges and approaches to learning that Reception has to offer!

## PE Day

PE day in Reception: Wednesday (2<sup>nd</sup> day to be announced after half term).

Children are to come dressed in full PE kit on these days (children are to arrive in school shoes. Please send pumps in a bag with their name inside to change into). Jogging bottoms (navy blue) can be worn over PE shorts and school cardigans or jumpers can also be worn to keep warm. If you prefer you can send your child in a navy blue sweatshirt or hooded zip up jumper.

## **Reading agreement**

Your child will be given a book and a reading diary to bring home and read to you or another adult/older sibling each day. Please return each day. We ask that you listen to your child read for at least 5 minutes each day to help them to develop and improve their reading skills.

If your child finds reading stressful, please leave reading for that day. If you have any problems, please speak to Mrs Hill

Staff will endeavour to listen to your child read their home reading book twice a week. If you require the book to be changed more frequently you are welcome to come into class at the end of day to do so.

#### Homework

Each child will be given a 'Show and Tell' book once the class are settled into school life. Inside the front cover will be an explanation of how to use the book. We look forward to looking at and reading about your family life, child's accomplishments at home, their interests & hobbies, as well as their favourite things to share.

We ask that Show and Tell books are completed and sent in on Fridays, thank you.

Should you require extra homework alongside the set Show & Tell books, reading, phonics, spelling & writing, there are sheets available on the Home Learning Station (by the cloakroom area) should you wish to take any.

# Additional Homework

- Each week your child will bring home a list of letter sounds and words to learn. Please take time to look at these with your children.
- Once your child is confident reading the words they could learn to spell them and even try to write them in sentences.

# **Snacks**

All Reception children are given FREE fruit and Milk or Water to drink at snack time.

However, if you wish to, you can purchase toast for 30p per day. We ask that you send the full amount for the week (£1.50) into school each Monday morning in a named envelop or named purse. This then allows us to order the toast for the week.

# • General information

- Please check newsletters for information regarding important dates and events
- Sign up to the text service to keep up to date (See Mrs Mitchell in the office)
- WATER BOTTLES are required each day- we are able to fill them up in the classroom. Please write your child's name on their bottle.
- Please write your child's name in EVERYTHING they bring to school, thank you.