



January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year!

Reading

We will continue to read with every child each week in small guided reading sessions as well as some 1-2-1 sessions over this half term. We also have a Literacy TA who will run 1-2-1 phonics and reading catch up sessions during the afternoon. Please remember to bring in your child's reading bag (complete with the 2 reading books and 1 library book) on their designated book swap day, this can be found on Google Classroom and displayed in the classroom window.

Punctuality

Please ensure your child is in the classroom before 9am to ensure a smooth start to the school day. We realise mornings can be tricky for some families, but a punctual and calm start to a child's day makes such a difference to their well-being and ability to focus on their learning. The Senior Leadership Team will continue to monitor punctuality and attendance and you will be asked to attend a meeting if there is persistent lateness or low attendance. We are also monitoring children who are collected late from school as this poses a safeguarding threat. Please ensure your child is picked up at the correct time and if for any reason you are running late, please contact the school office to let us know. It is also vital that you let the school know if somebody else is picking up your child for any reason- we will not send a child home with any adult other than those named on the school system. A brief email to admin will suffice with the name of the person collecting, otherwise let your class teacher know at drop off.

Donations

Donations for junk modelling and other art activities are always needed: cardboard boxes/tubes, card, large sheets of paper, coloured paper, shiny paper, buttons, sequins, glitter etc. If you have any left-over Christmas wrapping or cards we would also find a use for them! Thank you for your ongoing donations for cooking money. This enables us to run cooking activities each week. We also use this money to buy ingredients for play dough and our sensory play activities.

Health and Well-being

On **Monday 16th January**, Haringey Community Dental Services will be running a 'Dental Health Day' across the EYFS. Between 8.50am – 9.15am, the Oral Health Team will be available for parent questions and advice in the Reception playground. There will then be workshops throughout the morning for all children to attend focusing on tooth brushing, impact of sugar on teeth and what happens when we visit the dentist.

Dates for your diaries:

Monday 30th January: INSET day (school is closed for all children)

Friday 17th March: INSET day (school is closed for all children)

2nd March: World Book Day

27th – 31st March: Cultures of Coleridge week

28th & 29th March: Parents evening (online)

Haringey term dates 2022/2023: <https://www.haringey.gov.uk/children-and-families/schools-and-education/information-parents/term-dates>

If you have any questions or concerns please do come in and speak to us at pick up or drop off; if you need more than a quick chat we can make an appointment for a mutually convenient time.

Thank you for all your support and co-operation; we are looking forward to another busy and happy half term.

Yours sincerely
The Reception Team

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