St Agnes Ca tholic Primary School

Reception Newsletter 2



Welcome back — we hope you had a restful half term break. We are excited to be back at school for another busy term and look forward to working with you to support your child.

DEVELOPING INDEPENDENCE

This half term we will be continuing to give the children opportunities to develop their independence at school, please do the same at home.

When you: cut it for me, write it for me, open it for me, set it up for me, draw it for me, or find it for me, or find it for me ALL I LEARN IS THAT YOU DO IT BETTER THAN ME.

Spare Clothes

We have a limited number of spare clothes available in case of accidents. If you think your child may need them, please provide a set of spare clothes (bottoms and underwear) in a labelled bag to be kept in their tray.



<u>Reminder</u>

Please ensure your child's **reading pack** is in their bag **every day**. They need both reading books and their reading record.

Phonics books are collected every **Wednesday** for us to put the new phonemes in, ready for Friday.



WHAT ARE WE LEARNING?

We are continuing to help your child develop in confidence and independence. Please use tapestry to share your wow moments from home. Your child can then share this during 'Show and Tell'.

In RE, we will look at the symbols of Judaism when learning about other faiths. We will be retelling the Nativity story and learning about Mary telling Elizabeth her special news.

This half term our core texts are 'Little Red Riding Hood' and 'The Naughty Bus'. We will also be exploring other books later in the half term based on the children's interests and Christmas.

In Maths, we will continue to explore numbers to five. We will learn different ways to make a number and identify one more and one less of a number up to five.

<u>ILLNESS</u>

If your child has had vomiting or diarrhea they must remain at home for **48 hours** after their last bout of illness. This is to prevent the spread of illness to others. If your child is ill please telephone the school office in the morning. On their return to school you must provide a note explaining the reason for their absence.

Your child's absences and punctuality will be monitored closely as a significant amount of absence or lateness can impact on your child's learning and development and their funding.

UNIFORM REMINDER

Full uniform - Tuesday, Thursday and Friday PE kits– Monday and Wednesday



Please clearly label every item of your child's clothing with their full name on a label or sewn in. This should be in easily found places e.g. collar. Please show your child where you have labelled their clothing so they can identify their belongings independently.

Please note: Shoulder length hair must be tied up using black or green hair ties.

FOCUS CHILDREN & PROGRESS MEETINGS

We will be having our focus meetings each week. Please check the timetable on Tapestry for when your child is a focus child. During the 5-10 minute meeting we will discuss your child's progress with you.

RB— Focus meetings on Tuesdays (see timetable on tapestry for your individual time)

RS- Focus meetings on Thursdays (see timetable on tapestry for your individual time)

ALLERGIES AND MEDICATION

Please inform us in writing of any allergies, health issues or medication. Prescribed medication can only be administered by prior arrangement.

CONSUMABLES FUND

Thank you for your consumables donations. If you haven't contributed this term and are able to do so, we would appreciate anything you can give to go towards our fund to purchase ingredients for playdough, baking, resources for

messy play and gardening. Last half term we were able to buy pumpkins, ingredients for making bear paws, fruit patterns and play dough to name a few.



FOOD AND DRINK

You must register your child to receive free school milk at <u>https://www.coolmilk.com/</u> <u>parents/</u>. Fruit is also provided everyday as a snack and the children can access this independently. Please ensure your child has a labelled water bottle in school every day. It must contain water only.



FURTHER INFORMATION

Please read the school's weekly newsletter for diary dates.

Thank you for your continued support. Please speak to one of us if you have any questions. The Reception Team