Year R Meet and Greet (Information for parents/carers)

We would like to welcome you and your families to Year R.

School Staff

Year R teachers – Mrs Soules and Mrs Storey
Year R support – Miss Shaw-Sales and Mrs Ridall
Lower school team leader – Miss Peerman
Pastoral lead – Mrs Tysoe
Safeguarding lead – Mr Turner
SENCO – Mrs Barnes
Deputy head teacher – Ms Luxford
Head teacher – Miss Leighton

Our learning this year

Terms 1 and 2 are based on 'It's a wonderful World' and our focus will be 'Minibeasts' and 'Ourselves'.

Terms 3 and 4 are based around 'Horrible Histories' and our focus will be 'Dinosaurs' and 'Castles'. Terms 5 and 6 are based on a 'Blank Canvas' and we will focus on 'Artwork by Eric Carle' and 'Space'.



Our school day

A day in the life of a minibeast will include both child initiated learning and teacher-directed learning. Your child will have sessions of both each day. Child initiated learning is the learning that your child chooses to do for themselves; they may decide that they want to put on a performance for us or explore in the water tray and the adults within the class will support them with this to develop their learning further. Teacher directed activities are the activities that we will choose for your child to complete; these may be completed either with an adult or independently, in small groups.

Home learning

We will provide you with a selection of home learning activities for you to complete at home with your child and this will be available to you on our school website. Your child is always learning something new and we love to hear about their achievements, discoveries and experiences. Please share them with us using the green leaves that were in your child's book bag. By half term, your child will have their own reading book to bring home and we would like your child to share these with you daily. We will provide more information on this in due course.

Contacting us

Initially, we will be unable to have brief discussions at the school gate and so any communication with us needs to be via an email or text to the school office.

We will endeavour to reply to you on the same day, where possible. Please keep us up to date with any information or circumstances that may impact on your child.

<u>P.E.</u>

P.E. will be on Friday mornings. This will begin on the week of the 21st September and so on the 25th your child will need to come into school in their P.E. kit (they will stay in this all day and so no uniform will be required).. P.E. kit includes a t-shirt, shorts or jogging bottoms, a school jumper or cardigan and trainers/plimsolls.

If you are yet to purchase a P.E. top, please contact the school office.



Attendance

To enable your child to reach their full potential, they need to be in school as much as possible. With this in mind, please ensure that you book medical appointments out of school hours.

