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.







Elf Class (FS1)

FS1 have enjoyed exploring their new classroom environment. They have also had great fun on the outdoor apparatus and have enjoyed playing in the



playground and the garden They have helped me plant new flowers in our garden. The children have loved playing with FS2.

Well done Flf class!



Sea Goat Class (FS2)

Welcome to all our children! We were impressed by how well the children settled into the classroom . They had a fantastic time exploring and making new friends. The children have loved playing with FS1.



Well done Sea Goat class!

Tapestry Online Learning Journal

New parents

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<u>Illness</u>

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

<u>Paperwork</u>

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 if needed. Please contact the main school office if you have any questions.

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 bring wellington boots to help protect their clothing.

Coats

Despite the warm weather please can you ensure your child has a coat with them. Weather changes quickly here and a waterproof coat in school is very important so your child can engage with all the fun inside and out.

Naming clothes

Please can all clothing and wellington boots be clearly named to help us ensure children can access what they need. Please can water bottles and bags be clearly labelled.

Collection of children

Please could parents in inform the main school if your child is to be picked up by another adult. This message will be passed to the classroom teacher. You may also speak to the adult on the door that day.

Forest School

We are delighted to announce that our Forest School will commence on the following days: Year FS1 Monday 30th August - Year FS2 Tuesday $31^{\rm st}$ 2021

Your child's Forest School session will continue every week on their assigned day following their commencement date. Please ensure that all kit is in school for your child's Forest School sessions: even when sunny and warm at the start of a session, the temperature within the woodland can be many degrees lower. The whole session will be spent outdoors whatever the weather - so appropriate clothing is essential. The only time that we will not be working outdoors is in excessive high winds or lightning. Please be aware that children may get muddy during these sessions so for their own comfort, it is important that they are wearing appropriate clothing. When a child goes out to Forest School they will explore areas where there are brambles, nettles and even the possibility of coming into contact with ticks, so full length trousers and tops are essential. Below is a list of the clothing that children will require:

- > Wellington boots/waterproof footwear No open toe sandals to forest school
- > Old long trousers (as nettles and brambles can sting bare legs)
- > 2 pairs of warm socks (feet get very cold in wellies, especially in winter)
- > Layers for the top of the body, depending on the weather:
- > Vest Long sleeve top
- > Fleece/sweatshirt/jumper/ old warm top
- > Jacket/Waterproof coat Gloves/mittens
- > Woolly hat/sunhat

To keep this as simple as possible, on your child's Forest School day, please send your child to school wearing their forest school clothes. They should bring their school uniform to get changed into after/or if needed if their clothing gets very dirty.

Snack

Each week the children enjoy a rolling snack. Parents will have received their email about payment from the office. If not please check in with the main school via phone or email.

MON - bananas / oranges TUE- yoghurts / bananas / oranges Wed - carrots / cucumber/ tomatoes /dips Thurs - raisins /apples Fri - apples/ oranges/ yoghurts