

### Dates to remember



- **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February** – School nurse in to monitor height and weight.
- **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February** – Reports go out.
- **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February** – Last day before the half term.
- **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February** – Return to school.
- **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February & Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February** – Parents evening.
- **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** – finish spring term.

### PE

All Reception classes have PE twice a week.

**RRH** – Monday and Thursday

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All children need to come to school in their PE kit on their class's allocated PE days as they will be taking part in lots of active sessions.



### Reading

The children will continue to take home a 'Set Book' each week which will be changed on a Thursday and returned on a Monday if their reading diary has been signed. It is really important that you child practices their 'Set Book' regularly to help them to build and retain the skill of segmenting and then blending the sound back together.

If you want to dive into anymore reading books, you can access some great free books on these websites:

- <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/home/find-a-book/library-page/>
- <https://www.getepic.com/>

We have also included the Little Wandle website for you to look at which may help with how to pronounce the phonemes.

- <https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>



Forest Lodge Academy

A L.E.A.D. Academy

### 2024 Spring Term Reception Newsletter

We all had a fantastic end to last term with our Christmas play and celebrating the birth of Mrs Wilkinson's son called Archie and Mr Butler's son called Henry.

We welcome Miss Williams back to the school who will be taking over RVW.

As always, if you have any questions about your child's time at school, please do not hesitate to ask us. All members of the Reception staff will be available to talk to you on the playground each morning, or again at the end of the school day.

### Reception staff:

- Mrs Hubbard (Teacher)
- Miss Williams (Teacher)
- Mr Butler (Teacher)
- Miss Lippitt (Teaching assistant)
- Miss Hewitt (Teaching assistant)
- Miss White (Teaching assistant)
- Mrs Sohan
- Miss Coe (Teaching assistant)

### Topic

Our topic for Spring 1 is 'long, long ago'. We will be learning about lots of past events. Such as when we were babies, toys, transport and dinosaurs as well as following the children's interests.



Our topic for Spring 2 will be 'Food, glorious food'. We will be learning about where our foods come from, healthy foods, foods from around the world and Easter.



### Events to look out for....

A diddy dance event, date to follow.

A Dinosaur and fossil dig event, date to follow.

### Packed lunches

**Forest Lodge is a healthy school.**

We encourage our children to choose a healthy lunch. The advice we give to parents is that children can only bring in bottles of **water** to school, and that no fizzy drinks, food, nuts or juice will be allowed.



### School Uniform

All children must come to school in appropriate school uniform, this must also include sensible black footwear.

We would be grateful if clothing could be named as children sometimes mislay their belongings and we need to make sure that they get them back.

### Homework



We will be continuing to set homework tasks to complete each week on Reading Eggs. New tasks will be set on a Friday and you will have until the following Friday to complete them. Keep working hard on these to earn a certificate. Please let your teacher know if you need your log in details. There will also be additional tricky word hand out given. Please can you practice these words with your children.

### Wellies and Macs

In addition to lots of your child's learning taking place outdoors, the children have also been enjoying weekly forest fun sessions. In order for these to carry on throughout the winter and gain the most from them, please can you provide your child with a waterproof mac, hat and wellington boots to keep at school. Please could you make sure that they are clearly labelled.