

Foundation Two – Reception

Autumn 1 Newsletter

Welcome

Hello to you all and welcome to Foundation 2. We are so pleased that you chose Abbey Gates for your child's full-time school experience and cannot wait to get to know them, explore and learn together and create wonderful memories.

First of all, we would like to make you aware of some of the changes that we have made to our learning environment. Children in F1 will be "based" in the smaller room and children in F2 will be "based" in the larger room for registration and carpet sessions. During busy time, all children will be encouraged to explore all areas inside and outside freely. By streamlining different areas we have significantly improved our provision - ensuring resources are more open ended, natural and "real", where possible. We have also opted for a more neutral colour palette to provide a calming learning environment. We can't wait for you to see it!

This half term:

The first few weeks of the Autumn term will be an opportunity for us to really get to know your child - what they enjoy, are interested in, already know and their next steps. Our learning foci and choice of key texts has a strong emphasis on identity, family and friends. Our key question is "I wonder...what is special?" and an overview of what this includes can be found separately on our "Project Placemat".



Key information:

PE is every Friday. We begin with gymnastics - working on our fundamental movements and balance. As we will be doing PE indoors during this half term, please send your child into school wearing a red or white t-shirt and shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms for this.

On Tuesdays we go trekking. Children will need to wear school uniform and bring coats and hats etc as appropriate - we explore in all types of weather! Please send a named pair of wellies into school for your child to wear during our Trekking sessions. They will stay in school throughout the course of the year.

Please make sure that all items are clearly labelled - this includes water bottles, bags, coats and jumpers/cardigans.

Children need a water bottle every day and a healthy snack for afternoon sessions. Fruit is provided for every child each morning and milk can be ordered via the cool milk website.



A parent information evening will be held on Monday 27th September - please come along to find out more about what we do, view our learning environment and ask any questions that you may have. If you require any further information or have any questions prior to the meeting, please do not hesitate

to get in touch.

Kind regards,

Miss Orchard,

F2 Class Teacher.

