



## Reception Newsletter

Dear Parent/Carer,

We hope your child has enjoyed their first week here with us at Moorlands Primary.

Our topic for this half term is 'All About Me'. As part of this we will be talking about the people we live with, where we live, things we enjoy and the people who help us.

Here are lots of ideas that you can use to support your child at home:

- Name colours.
- Recognise 2D shapes - square, circle, triangle, rectangle, star, oval, heart and diamond.
- Count and recognise numbers to 20 and beyond.
- Recognise and practise writing their name, with a capital letter at the beginning and lower case letters throughout, using correct letter formation.
- Practise to dress and undress by themselves, including putting their coats on, reversing sleeves when they are inside out and using buttons / zips.
- Develop your child's independence e.g. looking after their belongings, tidying up after themselves.
- Practise holding a pencil and using scissors, using the tripod grip.

Here is some other useful information:

- Children need to bring a named water bottle, filled at home with plain water.
- Please ensure that everything brought into school is clearly named.
- Children need to bring a school bag every day to take home pictures, letters, water bottle etc.
- P.E kits should stay at school for a whole half term so that they are there for the children to wear every Friday.
- Next week the children will be bringing home – a reading packet, home school activity book, homework activities and a phonics booklet -
- Reading books will be changed weekly, once you have read with your child please write a brief comment in the 'Reading Record and Phonics Log'. Reading packets are to remain in your child's book bag so that the book can be swapped after they have read with a grown up in school.
- Home school activity books will be checked weekly but please feel free to complete homework tasks how they best fit for you.
- Phonics Booklets are to stay at home – we will send out updates on the sounds / words we have been focussing on in school in the home school activity book.
- **Save the Date –**
- How we Teach in Reception – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September 5pm
- We will be offering stay and play session's week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> October. This is an opportunity for you to visit your child in their classroom and join in with their learning.

If you have any questions please ask.

Thank you for your support.

The Reception Team

Mrs Krol, Miss Little and Miss Flint