

IMPORTANT NOTICES

Meet the Teacher- Thank you to all the parents that attended on Friday 12th September.

Harvest Festival- The children will be celebrating Harvest Festival on **Monday 29th September**.

Soft Start Mornings will begin after half term for all Reception classes

All parents will have the opportunity to attend our 'Soft Start' morning sessions on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 23rd September

. Dear Parents and carers,

A very warm welcome back to everyone, and a big welcome to our new parents. We are excited about the year ahead. It was great to see all the children, staff and classrooms looking so good yesterday!

There are a few changes to make you aware of before the year begins...

We are excited to let you know that this year our school will be introducing the ARK Mathematics Mastery Curriculum across our classes.

The ARK approach is designed to ensure that every child develops a deep, secure, and long-term understanding of mathematics. It places strong emphasis on:

- Mastery for all - ensuring every pupil gains a solid foundation before moving on.
- Fluency and confidence - children practise core skills until they are secure, reducing gaps in knowledge.
- Reasoning and problem solving - pupils are encouraged to explain their thinking and apply maths to real-life situations.
- Visual and practical learning - lessons use concrete resources and visual models to build strong understanding.

What this means for your child:

- Lessons will be carefully structured to build step by step.
- Children will have more opportunities to talk about their maths learning and share their strategies.
- There will be a balance between practising skills and exploring challenges that develop deeper thinking.

We believe this approach will help all our pupils grow in confidence, enjoy mathematics, and be well prepared for the future.

If you would like to find out more, we will be holding an information session for parents on during our soft starts on **Wednesday morning**. You can also visit the ARK Mathematics Mastery website for further details.

This year we will also be working on developing values around respect. We are teaching children to treat others how they would like to be treated themselves. We embed and promote fantastic displays around our school which shows some of our other values that underpin respect: love, thankfulness and compassion. We will be teaching the children about these values and looking for good role models across the school.

Thank you, as always, for your support.



Infant & Nursery School

Reception Weekly Newsletter 12th September 2025

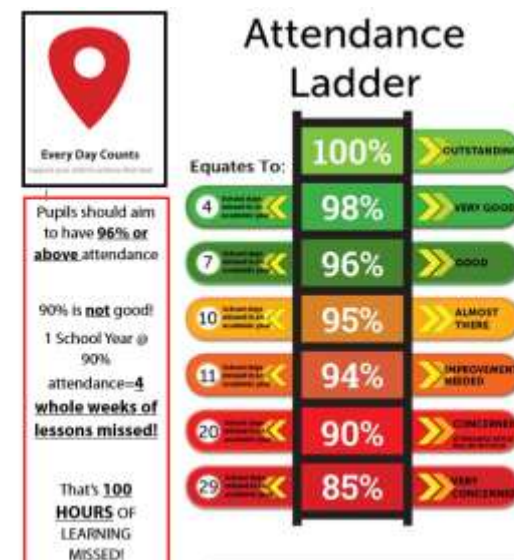
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updates, term dates and up & coming events



General

It's amazing to see how quickly the majority of children are settling in and really happy to come in every day. Can we remind you that good bedtime routines are so important for your little ones who have so many new things to learn, as well as a longer day at school?

Also, we would love to see all the homework you have completed over the summer holidays. Please bring it in to show your class teachers.

Important

Parents/Carers, please can you write your child's name on *all* their *clothing, book bags and water bottles*, as the children may have the same items and it is very hard to work out which child it belongs to.

Curriculum Meeting

We welcome all parents to attend our curriculum meeting on 23rd September 2025 (Tuesday) at 9am in the school hall.

Reading

Please try to encourage your child to talk about the pictures within their reading books. This is an important aid for when they start reading. Please comment and sign /initial each day that you listen to them read.

Phonics

This week we have been looking at letter sounds Ss, Aa, Tt, Pp and Ii.

Next week we will be moving onto Nn, Mm, Dd and Gg.

See if your child can spot these letters whilst you are out and about at the weekend.

Topic

This term our topic is - **All About Me.**

This week, we have been practising writing our names.

Homework - Continue to encourage your child to write their name starting with a capital letter.

Literacy Our class literacy book this half term will be 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' retold by Julia Donaldson.'

Homework - Please read the story to your children. There are also video versions on YouTube. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=75NQK-Sm1YY>

Maths

This week we have been practising writing numbers 0-10.

Next week, we will start ordering and recognising numbers.

Homework - Continue to practise recognising numbers at home with your child. Ask your child to order them correctly.

Bug Club login details: will be located at the front of your child's reading record. Please ensure they access this daily.



World Car Free Day

Monday 22nd September is World Car Free Day, when all around the world, towns and cities allow people to experience streets free of motor traffic as well as making travel easier for those who rely on private vehicles for health and mobility reasons. We are encouraging all parents to not drive down Carlyon Road for drop off or pick up. We hope you can support us with this. For more information, please visit <https://www.livingstreets.org.uk/get-involved/world-car-free-day/>

Thank you!

The Reception Team

