

Welcome to Foundation Stage

Autumn term 2023

We are looking forward to another exciting year, where your children will be involved in creative, active learning and gaining confidence and skills in the process. At BFPA, we refer to our classes as CREWs. Children are taught how to be CREW **not** passengers which gives them a sense of belonging while building their skills of teamwork and independent decision making.



| Foundation Stage Teaching & Support Staff | |
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| Mrs Tatton, Miss Church & Miss Goodwin | Fabulous Frogs |
| Mrs Smith, Mrs Tonks, Miss Gilbert & Mrs Mee | Busy Bees |
| Mrs Howitt & Miss Croft, Miss Harlow & Miss Oates | Happy Hedgehogs |
| Mrs Savage | Interventions |
| Mrs Duggan | Year group leader |



For your child to make the most of their time with us we ask that you can provide them with the following things:

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| Uniform <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plain red jumper or cardigan Dark grey or black trousers, skirt or pinafore Red checked dress Sensible black shoes (no flip-flops or strappy sandals) No jewellery to be worn, only small stud earrings. Small bows in school colours (red, white, black or grey) No nail polish, gel nails or acrylic nails <p>You can also purchase embroidered uniform from Uniform Direct.</p> | PE Kits <p>These must be in school every day. In Foundation Stage, we will change our shoes for P.E. and begin to get changed after the Christmas holidays</p> <p>PE kit includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A T-shirt (no crop-tops) Shorts or joggers Plimsolls or trainers <p>All children must change for PE. PE kit must not have any inappropriate pictures or logos.</p> <p>Each child must have their own Micropore tape if their ears have recently been pierced. Alternatively, children can take out their earrings for PE. Only small studs are permitted.</p> | Book Bag <p>This needs to be brought to school every day with your child's current reading book.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please listen to your child read their reading book at least 5 times a week. Please read or share a book daily with your child as part of their bedtime routine. |
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It is very important that you write your child's name in ALL of their school equipment, clothing and shoes. When things are lost, it makes them much easier to find.

| PE Days | | | | |
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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Busy Bees Happy Hedgehogs Fabulous Frogs | | | | |

Homework

Your child will be asked to read to you 5 times per week once they are given a reading book, as well as sharing their library book with you. Homework will be set in their homework book on a Friday. Please support your child's learning by completing and returning all given homework in their homework book.

Behaviour

Our positive behaviour system is based around the acronym 'REACH IT'!

Resilient Engaged actively Accountable Challenged Have a go
Independent Teamwork

Our behaviour system has 5 school rules. Pupils are spoken to if they break any of the rules in Foundation Stage.

Children will earn REACH IT points for working towards these areas. They will receive a small reward for every 100 REACH IT points.

Phonics - Little Wandle

Phonics is taught through the Little Wandle scheme and you will be invited in to find out more about it. There are videos on the Early reading page in Learning on our school website.

The BFPA curriculum

We have worked hard to develop our curriculum so that children can become 'Positive Thinkers and LiFE Long Learners.' We have incorporated 7 key principles into our curriculum to ensure all subjects promote and develop this goal. There is more information about these principles on our website. Oracy and communication is at the heart of what we do in the Early Years.

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Daily English lessons teach our children word reading, comprehension and writing.

Number and Number patterns begin to teach our children how a number is made, simple addition and subtraction. We investigate through 'I wonder' topics and these are;



I wonder if everyone is like me?

I wonder how people celebrate?

I wonder about the colours around me?

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Please email your child's class teacher if you have any questions about anything listed above. We look forward to another enjoyable term of learning with your children. Please email your child's class teacher if you have any questions about anything listed above. We look forward to another enjoyable term of learning with your children.

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Thank you for your continuing support, **Foundation Stage Staff.**