

### **Absence**

If your child is off school for any reason, please telephone the office in the morning as soon as you can. The office staff will then inform the teachers.

Telephone: 0161 770 5246



### **Children's Progress**

There will be two parents' evenings, one in the Autumn Term and one in the Spring Term. Parent's evenings allow you to speak with us about your child's progress and see the work that they have done in class.

However, if you have any concerns please do feel free to come and talk to us at any point, so we can best support your child.

### **Special Pleas**

Please clearly label anything your child brings or wears to school with their name.

To avoid disappointment or upset please leave all toys at home, unless it is an object in the 'Talking Together Bag'.

We are very grateful if you could send in newspapers, fabric, card, wool, buttons, corks, kitchen roll tubes, boxes and any other useful resources for model making.

Outdoor play is an important aspect of EYFS and is done in all weathers! Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing.

As part of the EYFS curriculum, learning is tailored to the children's interests and ideas. Therefore, we welcome any information about your child's latest favourite thing.

Please contact us via the school email or speak to us in class.

# Welcome to EYFS Reception at Diggle School



**Mrs Bradbury: Class Teacher**



**Miss G Leach: Nursery Nurse & Classroom Assistant**



### Themes and Topics

We do many exciting themes and topics in EYFS, which enable us to cover all aspects of the curriculum. These change according to the children's interests and where learning progresses.

The first few weeks we will be settling in and learning rules, routines and making friends.

Our main theme for the Autumn Term will be 'Superheros' and 'Autumn'. We will also be looking at seasonal changes and festivals which are celebrated in Autumn and Winter.

Books we will read throughout the year may include:

Dear Zoo

Supertato

Stick Man

Owl Babies

We're going on a bear hunt

And many more...



### What to bring

- Book bag – please bring this every day.
- Water bottle – only water is allowed, either disposable or re-useable and the bottle needs to be labelled.
- PE kit – see details below.
- Wellies and outdoor wear - which can be left at school.
- Packed lunch if needed.

The children are provided with a piece of fruit and a drink of milk every day – they do not need to bring extra food.

Your child does PE every week. The PE kit should include a plain white t-shirt or logo t-shirt, blue or black shorts, indoor pumps, a tracksuit and trainers (for outdoor activities).

Children are **NOT** allowed to wear jewellery of any kind for PE. Please remove earrings the day before PE.

### Home activities

#### Reading

During your child's time in EYFS, one of the main focuses is to ensure that they have a sound understanding of phonics and early reading. We therefore ask that you read with your child most evenings. This includes a wide range of age appropriate books to foster a love of reading and the children's assigned reading books from school. It is really useful if you could let your child read their assigned reading book to you at least once a week and afterwards update your child's reading record. This is so we can keep track of their progress at home as well as in school.

#### Talking Together Bags

Part of the skills your child will develop, over the year, are good communication and listening skills. We therefore send home 'Talking Together Bags' and ask that your child chooses something special from home to put in the bag. This could be an object or photograph of something they have done. Your child will talk about their 'special thing' in our 'talking together' time. Please talk to your child about their chosen item and fill in the 'Talking Together' sheet to bring with them.

### Behaviour

Children are expected to follow the school expectations at all times. We also want the children to demonstrate the 6 R's: Respectful, Responsible, Resourceful, Resilient, Reflective and Reasoning.

We reward good learning and behaviour choices as much as possible and children's behaviour is monitored using the rainbow system, which is displayed in each classroom. This is wiped clean everyday as each day is a new start. Each class also does a termly assembly which parents will be invited to attend.

Parents will be invited to come and discuss any concerns resulting from behaviour in more detail.

**We are excited for the upcoming year with you  
and your child. Please ask if you are unsure  
about anything.**