



Mrs Settle
(Mon-Wed)



Mrs Logie
(Thur-Fri)



Mrs
Rawsthorne



Miss
Rimmer



Welcome to Reception

Welcome to Reception! We are so excited to learn, play, and explore together this year through the EYFS curriculum, supporting every child to develop confidence, curiosity, and a love of learning. By working closely in partnership with families, we can provide the best possible outcomes for your child as they discover, create, and grow across all areas of learning and development.

Reception Staff

Mrs Logie (Class Teacher)

I am delighted to be joining your child's learning journey this year and, with 15 years of teaching experience and two young children of my own, I understand how important this exciting milestone is for both children and families. I am passionate about helping children develop a lifelong love of learning and being active, and I look forward to getting to know each child as we make the most of the wonderful opportunities for exploration and discovery, particularly in our fantastic new outdoor learning area.

Mrs Settle (Class Teacher)

With 15 years teaching experience, I am delighted to be joining you and your child on this exciting journey. As English and Design and Technology Lead, and a mum of three daughters myself, I am passionate about helping children develop confidence, curiosity and a love of learning.

Mrs Rawsthorne (Class Teaching Assistant)

I am excited to be moving up with the children and getting to know the new children joining us at Burscough. Outside of work, I enjoy going on holiday, reading and swimming. I have three grown-up children and two cats. I am looking forward to exploring all the exciting areas of learning with the children, including playdough, water play and lots of other hands-on activities. It will be wonderful to watch the children learn, grow and develop through play throughout the year.

Miss Rimmer (Class Teaching Assistant)

I am looking forward to getting to know all the children and learning about their individual personalities, interests, and talents. I enjoy sharing new experiences with children and helping them grow in confidence. Outside of school, I love baking and being creative, and I have two children of my own.

Creative Area

Our creative area has a range of resources your children can access, we welcome families to donate small junk modelling recycled materials to keep this area replenished such as toilet rolls, kitchen rolls, yogurt pots and egg boxes. Unfortunately, we do not have the space for large items.

Important Information for Reception

PE Days

Our PE days are **Tuesday and Thursday**.

Your child's PE kit will remain in school for the half term and be sent home to be washed ready for the next half term. Please return this to school on the first day back after a holiday, so the children have it ready for their first PE lesson.

If a child has their ears pierced, they must be able to take out their earrings out themselves, or they need to come to school on PE days with their earrings covered with tape. School staff are not permitted to do this.

Please name all items of clothing, including shoes.

Homework

Homework is a valuable way of enhancing your child's learning outside of the classroom as well as helping them to develop their independence and organisational skills.

Phonics Homework

Each Friday, your child will come home with a phonics activity to complete. This will reflect on learning that has taken place in phonics lessons that week. Please have your child complete this in pencil, it will be collected in the following Friday.

Reading

On Friday 11th September, your child will come home with a **library book** they have chosen and **banded book**. These books are to be read with a parent; there will be sounds and high frequency words they have not yet been taught.

The following Friday, (18th September), they will additionally have a **Monster Phonics book** which aligns with the phonics programme followed in class. They will have previously read this book in guided reading sessions at least twice in school. Please encourage your child to have a go at this book, with increasing independence, as it will help consolidate their phonics learning in class.

We encourage all children to read at home with an adult for a **minimum of 3 times per week**. Please record in your child's reading record when you have read with your child.

Online Safety

While the internet offers great learning opportunities for learning, being creative and socialising, it also comes with risks which us as parents need to be increasingly aware of. I have put together a list of suggested top tips for any devices but as a school we will be offering more support with this throughout the year.

Top Tips for Keeping Your Child Safe

- Device use in the same room as an adult
- Set Parental Controls
- Set screen time limitations.
- Check your child's device
- Talk Regularly, offer advice and support regarding situations/conversations
- Balance Screen Time
- Check Age Ratings of apps/games and make informed decisions about this
- Be Alert to In-Game Spending
- Encourage Kindness Online

Kind regards,

Mrs Logie, Mrs Settle, Mrs Rawsthorne & Miss Rimmer.