# Chapelford Village Primary School EYFS Newsletter Autumn Term 1





## Welcome EYFS parents!

The children have made a fantastic start in settling into their new classes and it is lovely to see them starting to make new friends already. Our online learning journey Tapestry is now up and running, please see your child's class teacher if you haven't received an email to create your account or if you are having trouble logging in.

Please see the class teachers emails below if you need to contact your child's class teacher.

Class 1 Mrs Lunt a.lunt@cvps.omegamat.co.uk

Class 2 Miss Hardman <a href="mailto:l.hardman@cvps.omegamat.co.uk">l.hardman@cvps.omegamat.co.uk</a>

Class 3 Miss Saxon <a href="mailto:l.saxon@cvps.omegamat.co.uk">l.saxon@cvps.omegamat.co.uk</a>

## **Home learning**

Children will start to bring home a story book of their choice from our classroom reading area. Books will be collected in and changed each Friday. This book will be for you to read to your child and encourage a love of reading. This is an opportunity for your child to see you as a reader, as well as hearing and enjoying a range of stories. You could discuss the front cover, the pictures, the characters, and the settings within the book. This will benefit your child in becoming confident at unpicking and recognising the structure of texts. We have now started our Read Write Inc daily phonics sessions. We will start by learning set 1 sounds focusing on pronouncing them phonetically, recognising the sounds by sight and hearing initial, medial and final sounds in simple words. Once your child is starting to segment and blend simple words, they will also start to bring home a phonetically decodable reading book and each week and a reading record for you to record their reading at home in. On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September we will be welcoming parents into school at 5pm to share with you how we teach early reading and phonics. This meeting will help you support your child at home with their reading. Alternatively, please visit our EYFS page on our school website to watch our presentation about how we teach phonics in school and how you can support your child at home.

## Learning challenge question

Our theme this half term will be 'All About Me', we will be learning about the different parts of the body, the 5 senses and what makes us all unique.

To support our learning this half term about past and present we will be looking at how we have changed since we were a baby. To help your child understand this could you please email a picture of your child as a baby and one as a toddler to your child's class teacher on the email provided above. Could we please have the pictures sent by **Friday 15**<sup>th</sup> **September.** 

#### **General reminders**

Children are not permitted to bring in toys from home. This can become a distraction when learning is taking place and it can also cause upset if lost or damaged. We do 'show and tell' each day before home time to allow children to share news or show special items from home. This could include something they have made or drawn, achievements out of school eg certificates, medals etc or simply some news about somewhere they have been or are going to. Children need to have a named water bottle in school every day, which they will bring home to be washed each night. Please ensure this is water only and not sugary drinks, as this is school policy. Could you all ensure that children carry their water bottles separately and they are not placed in book bags as this can damage reading books and letters. Please put your child's name on ALL items of clothing, bags, lunchboxes, and shoes, including P.E. kit.

#### Dates for the diary:

EYFS Early reading and phonics information meeting for parents Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 5pm.

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#### Literacy

#### Reading

To read individual letters by saying the sounds for them.

#### Writing

To write some or all of their name.

#### Comprehension

To engage with stories.

#### Key texts to support literacy learning



## **Mathematics**

#### Numbers

To count objects, actions and sounds.

#### **Number patterns**

To continue, copy and create repeating patterns

#### **Physical development**

#### **Gross motor**

To revise and refine the fundamental movement skills they have already acquired

#### Fine motor

To develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely, and confidently.





## **Communication and Language**

#### Listening, attention and understanding

To understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important.

#### Speaking

To learn and use new vocabulary through the day

#### **PSED**

#### **Self-regulation**

To identify and moderate their own feelings socially and emotionally.

#### Managing self

To express their feelings and consider the feelings of others. Building relationships To build constructive and respectful relationships.

### **Expressive art and design**

## **Creating with materials**

To explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings.

#### Being imaginative

To listen attentively, move to and talk about music, expressing their feelings and responses.

#### **Understanding the world**

#### The world

To describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside.

#### Past and present

To comment on images of familiar situations in the past. People, culture and community To talk about members of their immediate family and community.