

**Ladybird and Bumblebee**

**news...09/09/2022**

**Welcome** to the first edition of the Ladybird and Bumblebee newsletter. Please make sure that you read these newsletters as they will keep you up-to-date with information and any dates for your diary. These will be sent termly, unless we have additional information for you. We will also be starting our Reception blog after the induction period.

Here are our class email addresses. Please use these to communicate with us. You can always catch us at the classroom doors at drop off too.

ladybirds@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk

bumblebees@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk

The EYFS email used last term is now closed.

**Our lovely team**

* Miss Stephenson will be teaching Ladybirds every day.
* Miss Moulding will be teaching Bumblebees on a Monday and Tuesday.
* Mrs Redhead will be teaching Bumblebees on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.
* Teachers’ planning time is a Wednesday afternoon. Mr Staff will be teaching Ladybirds and Miss Moulding and Mrs Redhead will be teaching Bumblebees on alternate weeks.
* Miss Hone and Mrs Halliwell are our wonderful teaching assistants.

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

We will be **starting P.E** when we are all in full time (**week commencing 19.09.2022**). Your child should come to school **dressed in their P.E. Kit** on a **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**.

Please make sure that your child has a **named pair of wellies** in school. If your child attended Caterpillar Pre-school and their wellies no longer fit them, please take these home. They can be found just to the right of the Ladybird and Bumblebee classrooms in the plastic container.



**Next Thursday and Friday**, Ladybirds and Bumblebees will be **staying for lunch**. We will do a dinner register each morning where your child will let us know if they are hot dinners or packed lunches. Hot dinners do not have to be pre-booked or paid for.

We are really pleased with the way that the children have settled into Reception. They have enjoyed exploring the classroom and making lots of new friends.

This term your child will be taking part in the **Reception Baseline Assessment**, which is a practical and interactive assessment of your child’s early literacy, communication, language and mathematical skills. The assessment is used by the school to inform planning to move children’s learning on and by the DfE to measure the progress schools make with their pupils. The assessment will be carried out on a 1-1 basis with your child’s class teacher within the first 6 weeks of your child starting school. If you would like information on how your child performed, please request this from your child’s class teacher. For more information, please visit: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/reception-baseline-assessment-information-for-parents>