



Ladybird and Bumblebee



news...10/09/2021

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.

On a Tuesday afternoon, Miss Moulding will be covering **Miss Danter's PPA release time** and Mrs Pyman will be covering **Miss Carless' PPA release time**. This will begin on the week commencing 20.09.2021.

If you need to speak to your child's class teacher, you can send an email to the class email address which will be checked daily.

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We are creating a family tree in the classroom. If you are happy to be included, please email a **family photograph** to your child's class teacher so this can be displayed on our family tree.

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. Our weekly blog will begin next Friday to inform you of what your child has been learning about each week. You will receive a link to this next week.

We will be **starting P.E** when we are all full time (**week commencing 20.09.2021**). Your child should come to school **dressed in their P.E. Kit** on a **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**.

Please could you 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 left of the Ladybird classroom doors in the outside area.



From today, 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.

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 mathematics 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 either your child's class teacher or the EYFS Phase Lead 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>



A snapshot of our first week...

