

# Rushey Green Primary School

# Reception Class Newsletter - Autumn 1 2020

Welcome to our first newsletter of the Autumn term. We would like to say hello and a very warm welcome to all the new children, parents/carers and hope that you have a fun, exciting and successful year with us.

If you have any questions or require any additional information please do not hesitate to discuss with a member of the team.

Thank you,

The Reception Class Teams

Jules, Mrs Asamoah, Miss Stewart, Mrs Morgan, Miss Lampety, Chris, Mrs Rodney, Carolina & Kala

### This term our topic is... Settling in and learning our new class names

Over the course of this half term the children will be getting to know each other through songs and games. We will look at differences and similarities between us, which will help us to remember all the new names and faces! We will identify and name different emotions and will learn how to share and be a good friend.

In literacy we will begin to form letters correctly and write our names. We will start to hear initial sounds in words and listen to and join in with stories and poems.

In maths we will begin to recite numbers up to 10, count up to three or four objects by saying one number name for each item and recognise 2D and 3D shapes.

Throughout the course of our day we will be developing our speaking and listening skills by listening and responding to ideas expressed by others and ourselves and we will start to use talk to organise, sequence and clarify.

During our PE lessons we will learn how to find a space and begin to experiment with different ways of moving.

<u>Date to remember!</u> Week beginning the 19<sup>th</sup> October we will be celebrating Black History Month

#### Dates to remember!

Friday 23rd October - End of term Tuesday 3rd November - Children return

#### <u>A few reminders</u> PE

R1 PE lesson will take place every **Monday** from the week beginning 28<sup>th</sup> September R2 PE lesson every **Thursday** R3 PE lesson every **Tuesday** 

#### Book bags and jumpers

Please make sure your child's jumper and their book bag is named. Lots of the children have the same items so it is easier for us to return them if they are named. Thank you Please remember to send your child to school every day with a named water bottle.

### What's in the box?

Every Thursday two children will be selected to take home 'What's in the box?' and put a special item inside. The special item could be a family photograph, a souvenir of a holiday or a day out, something they have made etc. The box needs to be looked after and returned the following day to share with the rest of the class! We look forward to seeing what your child brings in to talk about- but remember... No toys!

# Ways to extend your child's learning at home

- Talk to your child about different size objects (big, medium and small). Sort objects into different sizes. Also begin to talk about 3D shapes
- Read to your child every night and talk about the author and the illustrator. Ask your child questions about the book, for example, what happened at the beginning of the story, the middle and the end.
- Point out numbers in the environment. As you walk to school talk about door numbers, numbers on buses, car registration plates numbers are everywhere.
- Can your child spot letters in the environment? Road names, shops names. Can they see letters in their name in books and magazines?
- Take your child to the park to develop their physical skills. Enjoy a trip together to a museum (most of these are free to enter) talk about what they can see and what they enjoyed most about their visit.

#### Outdoor play

The reception children are very fortunate to have a safe and inviting outdoor area that is solely for their use. A minimum of 3 adults are always outside to enable us to have 'free-flow' access to the playground.



The children can enjoy accessing the water tray, sand tray, bikes and much, much more. This is a valuable resource, which will help the children develop their skills further. Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the 'Great British weather' including hats and waterproof jackets as they will be going outside in all weathers.

Thank you

#### Healthy packed lunches

If your child has a packed lunch everyday please make sure it includes foods from each of these groups

Drink – a bottle of water

Fillers – bread, pasta, rice

Fruit, vegetables and/or salad

Protein – meat as part of a sandwich, rice or pasta dish.

Cheese/egg/fish/hummus/tofu/Quorn



## Please do not include Nuts, Chocolate biscuits, sweets, sauasge rolls, hot dogs etc Only crisps on a Friday as a treat please!