Early Years Newsletter

September 2026
Mrs Walker/Miss Fradgley
Reception

Welcome...

A big welcome to our new reception children and their families, some new and some who have been with us for some time. It has been a fantastic start to the new school year and we are incredibly privileged that you have chosen St. Godric's as the school for your children. This newsletter will be sent out each term, highlighting the topics and themes that will be covered in class. It will also share important dates for your diary and hopefully, answer any questions you may have about the term ahead. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me (Mrs Walker) at school.

Upcoming Events

Phonics/reading parents meeting: Tues 29nd Sept (either 3pm or 5.30pm)

Parent's evening: Wed Oct. 21st

Christmas play: Thurs Dec. 10th 2pm

End of term: Fri Dec. 18th 1pm

PE Days

PE days this term will be Mondays and Wednesdays. On these days, please send your child into school wearing their PE kit. The PE kit is trainers, a white t-shirt, black shorts or joggers and black hoodie.

Staff in EYFS

Mrs Walker: EYFS lead, class teacher
Monday - Friday
Miss Fradgley: Teaching Assistant
Tuesday - Friday
Miss Uddin: Monday

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Themes this term...

The theme for this half-term is Marvellous Me. Throughout this theme, the children will be finding out all about what makes them special and unique. We will be sharing our likes and dislikes, using our senses to investigate our environment, learning action rhymes and songs related to the body and will explore what it means to be unique.
After half term, our theme will be Once upon a time. During this theme, the children will be listening to a range of traditional tales and will be exploring story-telling. They will be exploring the characters and settings used in these stories and will be having a go at telling their own wonderful tales.

Phonics and reading meeting for parents

I will be holding a parent's meeting for the parents of the reception children on Tuesday 29nd September. This meeting will give parents an understanding of how we teach phonics and reading at St. Godric's and it is a great way for parents to learn about how they can support their child's reading development at home. I will be running this workshop twice, at 3pm and 5.30pm, so that as many families as possible can attend. Child care will be available at the 3pm session but **not** the 5.30pm session.

Exploring outdoors

The Early Years curriculum states the importance of exploring and learning outdoors and this is something we love at St Godric's. If possible, please could you send a pair of wellies in with your child for them to use during school time. These wellies will stay in school so that the children can explore outdoors on a regular basis. Please don't worry if you don't have access to some wellies, we have a number of spare pairs in school for the children to use.

Reminders

Children should come into school each day with their bookbag and water bottle please.
Please make sure that your child's name is in all of their items of clothing, including PE kits. Thank you.