



Newberries Primary School

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Meet the Teacher 2020

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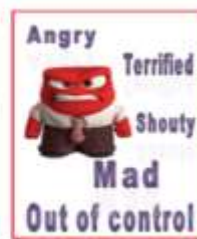
Welcome...

Adults in our class this year are:
Our class teacher is Miss Reilly



Our Teaching Assistants are Ms Hanns and Mrs Wren





Life in Reception

- During our first half term, we are working hard to make sure that we are all happy and safe within our new school and establishing our routines.
- We are learning about Zones of Regulation and E-safety (Smartie the Penguin).
- We are focusing on belonging. Each child belongs to a group within the class as well as developing the understanding that we are part of a class and school community too.
- We learn through communicating using pupil voice and signing and gestures.
- We learn to write phonetically using Letters & Sounds. Please reinforce the phonics sound and actions at home.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BqhXUW_v1s
- Children each have their own Learning Journal.



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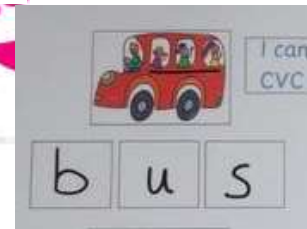
In Reception children are taught seven areas of learning from the Early Years Foundation Stage Outcomes broken into Prime areas and Specific areas.

The prime areas are;

- Communication and Language
- Physical Development
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development

The specific areas are;

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design



We learn through a mixture of Adult Led and Learning Through Play activities within a carefully planned environment.

You can find out what we have been up to each week by visiting our class page <https://newberries.herts.sch.uk/class-information/reception/>

Our School Day



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Reception Weekly Timetable Autumn 2020



Reception	8.50am	9.00am	9.20am	9.25am	9.40am	10.45am	11.00am	11.20am	11.30am-12.30pm	12.30pm	12.40pm	1.30pm	2.10pm	2.25pm	2.35pm	2.50pm
Monday	Story time for drop off slot	Busy fingers / Self Registration and Lunch choices	Welcome, day of the week song and visual timetable.	Literacy/Topic	Adult Directed/Learning Through Play Rolling snack	Tidy up time	Phonics	Get ready for lunch	L U N C H Registration	Maths/Topic	Adult Directed/Learning Through Play	Tidy up time	Story Time /Circle Time	Collect belonging and get ready to go home	Collection from playground	
Tuesday			Welcome, day of the week song and visual timetable.	Literacy/Topic	Adult Directed/Learning Through Play Rolling snack	Tidy up time	Phonics	Get ready for lunch			Adult Directed/Learning Through Play	Tidy up time				
Wednesday PE with Meryl 9.15-9.45			Welcome, day of the week song and visual timetable.	Literacy/Topic	Adult Directed/Learning Through Play Rolling snack	Tidy up time	Phonics	Get ready for lunch			Adult Directed/Learning Through Play	Tidy up time				
Thursday			Welcome, day of the week song and visual timetable.	Literacy/Topic	Adult Directed/Learning Through Play Rolling snack	Tidy up time	Phonics	Get ready for lunch			Adult Directed/Learning Through Play	Tidy up time				
Friday			Welcome, day of the week song and visual timetable.	Literacy/Topic	Adult Directed/Learning Through Play Rolling snack	Tidy up time	Phonics	Get ready for lunch			Adult Directed/Learning Through Play	Tidy up time				



Our Behaviour Policy

A Headteacher's Award is given to a pupil who does something positive which stands out!



Our therapeutic approach to Behaviour Management is designed to de-escalate situations when children find it difficult to regulate and manage their emotions. Pupils are also encouraged to engage in a suitable consequence, rather than a punishment, to help them learn from these moments.

Home School Agreement

Please check your emails for your Home School Agreement leaflet which outlines how Newberries Primary School, Pupils and Parents will work together.

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**Home School
Agreement**

Home Learning



Children will be expected to read twice a week once we have introduced children to phonics.

- Reading to be complete via Bugclub

Reading days - Monday & Wednesday

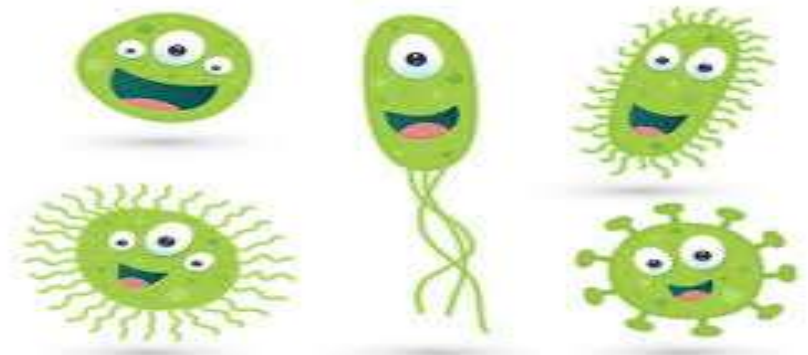
When children particularly enjoy a topic/theme there will be home challenges sent to extend their learning at home occasionally.



After October Half Term

- By half term, we will have completed a baseline assessment that will help us identify children's starting points for their time at Newberries.
- By going on our school website www.newberries.sch.herts.uk you will be able to see updated information relating to our 2020-21 curriculum, learning objectives and progression of skills.

Covid-19



As you are already aware, all staff at Newberries School have worked tirelessly to implement Covid-19 Government Guidance so that school can continue to be a happy and safe place.

Please visit the Covid section of our school website to see up-to-date, relevant information. Of course, any enhancements to our routines will be emailed to parents via SchoolComms or our school's newsletter, which is sent out every Friday.

Please note that all letters are communicated electronically at this time.

Remote Learning



- Remote Learning is available for pupils who are well enough to learn but are unable to attend school due to self-isolating or quarantining.
- Your class teacher will provide you with the lessons and activities that your peers will be completing within the classroom.
- Once you have informed the school that you need Remote Learning, you will receive your lessons on the following working day.
- There will be three lessons each day.
- Lessons will be sent to you via email.
- Pupils must submit their work, for their teacher to see, using the following email, which is monitored. homelearning@newberries.herts.sch.uk
- Work can be submitted via photographs, videos or work that had been typed or created using a computer.
- Your class teacher will review your work and send you feedback at least once a week.
- Purple boxes will provide opportunities to extend your child's learning further.

E-safety



Please check your emails for your e-safety agreement enabling school and home work together to keep children safe online.

My online safety rules

- I will only use school IT equipment for activities agreed by school staff.
- I will not use my personal email address or other personal accounts in school
- I will not sign up for any online service on school devices unless this is an agreed part of a school project approved by my teacher and agreed by my parent/carer.
- I will only open email attachments if it has been approved by a member of school staff in school or a parent/carer out of school.
- In school I will only open or delete my files when told by a member of staff.
- I will not tell anyone other than my parents/carers my passwords. I will not use other people's usernames or passwords to pretend to be them online.
- I will make sure that all online contact I make is responsible, polite and sensible. I will be kind and respectful at all times.
- If I come across anything upsetting, unpleasant or nasty, or anything that makes me feel unsafe, I will tell my teacher or my parent/carer immediately.
- If someone says, asks or posts about me anything upsetting, unpleasant or nasty, or anything that makes me feel unsafe, I will not reply. I will tell my teacher or my parent/carer immediately.
- I will not give out my own or other people's personal information, including: name, phone number, home address, interests, schools or clubs. I will tell my teacher or parent/carer if anyone asks me online for personal information.
- Uploading or sending my image (photographs, videos, live streaming) online puts me at risk. I will always seek permission from my teacher or parent/carer if I wish to do this. I will not take, share or upload any image of anyone else without their permission and also, if they are a child, without their parent's/carer's permission.
- Even if I have permission, I will not upload any images, videos, sounds or words that could upset, now or in the future, any member of the school community, as this is cyberbullying.
- I understand that some people on the internet are not who they say they are and some people are not safe to be in contact with. I will not arrange to meet someone I only know on the internet. If someone asks to meet me, I will not reply to them and I will tell a teacher or a parent/carer immediately.
- I understand that everything I do or receive online can be traced now and in the future. I know it is important to build a good online reputation.
- I understand that some personal devices are allowed in school and some are not, and I will follow the rules. I will not assume that new devices can be brought into school without getting permission.
- I understand my behaviour in the virtual classroom should mirror that in the physical classroom
- I will not lie about my age in order to access games, apps or social networks that are for older people as this will put me at risk.
- I understand that these rules are designed to keep me safe now and in the future. If I break the rules my teachers will look into it and may need to take action.

How you can help!

Helping your child

- Read and sign E-safety parent/pupil agreement with your child to ensure understanding
- Read and sign Home/School agreement with your child to ensure understanding
- Ensure they are prepared for school each day and arrive on within their allotted time
- Keep us informed
- Support with Home Learning by guiding your child and signing their homework logs.
- Use Bugclub at home!
- Use Timestable Rockstars at home!

Helping the school

- Read Newsberries and respond to correspondence promptly
- Keep your contact details updated with the Office
- Volunteer in school
- Support the work of the PTA
- Consider standing as a Parent Governor



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Useful Information and General Reminders

Communication

Good communication is important to us. Please help us by... reading Newsberries each week; responding promptly to requests; checking our website when we alert you to new content; signing up for School Gateway and keeping us up to date with your contact information. Please communicate with your child's teacher via emailing The School Office.

Drop Off and Pick-up

We will continue to have a staggered pick up and drop off times via a one-way system. Please remember to only arrive at school during your allotted time and not before as this will trigger delays for other peer groups. If your child is in Y5 or Y6, please give written consent for your child to walk home. No other Year Groups will be able to leave the school grounds without an adult present.

Walk To School

Walking to school is important for our environment and to help limit people travelling by public transport. If you don't fancy walking, why don't you scoot or bike into school. If you live too far away choose to park and then stride into school. Remember to make use of the Newberries one-way system to help in times of heavy traffic. Considerate parking keeps our children safe.

School Office

The School office is open via phone or email between 8.50am and 3:30pm. Please note that most correspondence is now electronic and that payments can be made using School Gateway. On the odd occasion of a letter needing to be physically handed in, please ensure that your child gives it to their class teacher.

Anti-Bullying Policy

We have a strong culture of anti-bullying within the school, supported by ongoing work through PSHE lessons. If you are concerned that your child is developing a relationship which is concerning you, please contact us at the earliest opportunity.

Absences

Please inform the school office on the first day of any absence. You must inform the office if your child is absent due to Covid-19 symptoms, or isolating due to another member of your household having symptoms. Absences for reasons other than Covid-19 such as religious observance, illness and appointments are strongly discouraged.

Want to be more involved? Support the PTA; consider volunteering to help in school or as a Parent Governor. Please contact the school office if you are interested in volunteering.