

# Welcome to Diamond Class



## **Hello and welcome back one and all!**

We hope you have had a lovely time over the summer and are sure you are now ready to start the new school year!

We would like to say a big welcome to all our new reception children!

We are looking forward too many exciting adventures with Diamond class this year!

We are really looking forward to an exciting year and we are sure that the reception children will have lots of fun during their first year in school!

### **This Term**

This term our creative learning theme will be "Travel Through Time"

The first half of this term we will be thinking all about ourselves, our families, our bodies and people who help us.

### **Communication Diary**

Your child will be given a communication diary that you can fill in for both home and school communication and daily reading.

When you read at home, please sign or write a comment as you have read.

**Picture books for Reception children to share with you will be sent the week commencing 13th September.**



### **Show and Tell**

Show and tell has always been a favourite activity for our children.

This will take place on Wednesday afternoons starting from Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. Children can bring in something they would like to show or talk about. This could be a toy or book or something from a trip they have been on, it is always nice when it links to our topics if possible.

### **Play time**

All reception & Year One children are provided with fresh fruit and vegetables as part of the Healthy Schools Scheme. Tuck is also available at playtime – items such as toast or crumpets are available. (Please send money in a named purse for the week). Milk is provided as part of the cool milk scheme for children under five (Please see school office). Your child may bring a named water bottle to school, which will be returned home each evening. Please ensure that it only contains water and not juices. Water is available in the classroom and we encourage the children to drink water at regular intervals throughout the day.



**\*Please remember to bring a coat every day.**

### **For newly starting children**

#### **Two-Year-Old Screening Check**

We are always keen to gather as much information as possible about the children who are starting in Diamond Class. It would be very helpful if we could please have a copy of the 2year old screening check that the Heath Visitor would have carried out to add to our records.

### **P.E. & Forest Schools**

Diamond Class children participate in two P.E. lessons per week. For this term these will be on Wednesday afternoons and Friday mornings, so please ensure that your child has a named P.E. kit in school.

Please can you also send in your child's forest school kit to stay in school each half term.

It is important that your child's clothes are clearly labelled as it can sometimes be very confusing when the clothes get mixed up at changing time.



### **Website**

Our School website is up and running with lots of information about our school and activities/links for your child to access. This year we are hoping to develop our class blog page to update you of various class specific information throughout the year. Watch this space for Diamond class updates...

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