



# Our Reception Classroom News

## Autumn Term Information

### Welcome message

We would like to say a big welcome to all the children, parents and carers in Reception! We are looking forward to meeting you all at our home visits and are looking forward to a fantastic first term with the children here at Coopers Lane. Transition has always been a priority for us to ensure our children experience the very best start to their journey at Coopers Lane. We would therefore like to encourage you to contact us at any point where you may have questions about your child's settling in period.

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Hayley O'Connor and Hannah Ingham**

### Our Topic

Our focus for this half term is 'All About Me', where we will be learning about ourselves and each other, including our families, our family traditions and our likes and dislikes. We would like you to bring in a family photo for us to use during our topic. Please note, this photo must be a copy, as we will be cutting it up to make our family trees!

After the October half term, we will move on to looking at 'Terrific Tales' where we will be learning about traditional stories such as, 'The Billy Goats Gruff' before moving on to more recent favourites, such as, 'The Gruffalo'.



### Things to remember

#### **Names in Uniform, Coats, Hats and Scarfs:**

Please ensure your children's uniform is labelled with both their **NAME** and **CLASS NAME**. The children often misplace their jumpers etc. at break time and lunchtime, and having their class as well as their name written clearly in their clothing ensures it is returned to the correct class and in turn, the correct child. Please also ensure that your child's book bag is clearly labelled with both their **NAME** and **CLASS NAME** and brought into school **EVERYDAY**.

#### **Forest School:**

Each class will have the opportunity to learn in our fantastic forest school throughout their time in Reception! The forest school newsletter will be sent out over the next few weeks informing you of your child's forest school day and what you will need to bring in for these sessions.

#### **Spare Clothes:**

Please ensure your child has a spare change of clothes in a separate bag to be left on their peg at all times. This is really important as it means that your child can change into comfortable and familiar clothes in case of any accidents.

### Important Dates

1st & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	INSET days
5 <sup>th</sup> September	First day of term/ home visits begin
TBC	Phonics & Reading Meeting
24 <sup>th</sup> Oct- 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Half Term
5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Nativity performances
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term