

Bishop Monkton Church of England Primary School

Autumn 1 Information for Families

Class: Robins

Before school- Gates open at 8.45 for children to walk into the class. Mrs West will be on the gate.

After school- Children are to be collected from the classroom door. If there is someone different collecting please let Robins staff or Mrs Worthington know.

Reading at home

Children are sent home with a reading book once they have completed the three sessions in school. Please can you ensure your child's reading diary is signed. We would like to see children reading at least twice at home.

In addition to this, please read for pleasure and share any stories your children enjoy.

Reading diaries are checked weekly in school.

PE

PE takes place on Tuesday for reception and Thursday for Year 1.

Please ensure children come to school in kit on these days. This allows us to maximise learning time.

Bags – as we have limited space in our cloakrooms, can we ask that children do not bring large backpacks to school. Thank you.

Adults in class each day:

Monday Mrs West, Miss Johnson Mrs McDonald (am) Miss Emmerson (pm)

Tuesday Mrs West, Miss Johnson (am) Mrs McDonald (am) Miss Emmerson (pm)

Wednesday Mrs West, Miss Johnson Mrs McDonald (am) Miss Emmerson (pm)

Thursday Mrs West (am), Miss Johnson Mrs McDonald (am) Miss Emmerson (pm)

Friday Mrs West, Miss Johnson Mrs McDonald (am) Miss Emmerson (pm)

Home-learning expectations:

Spellings: To practice the tricky words and weekly sounds which will be sent out on Friday.

Curriculum Information- This term we are learning about

Reception - This half term, our topic will be *Autumn, Festivals and Cultural Celebrations*. As the children settle into school life and become familiar with daily routines, we will also begin our phonics journey. In maths, we will explore sorting, shapes and patterns through a range of practical activities. We will also focus on developing fine motor skills to support early writing and independence. As part of our learning about festivals and celebrations, we will learn about Rosh Hashanah and Harvest, exploring their traditions and significance. Through a variety of engaging activities, children will develop their understanding of themselves, their community and the wider world.

Year 1 This term, we will begin by reviewing Phases 3 and 4 in Phonics before progressing to Phase 5, continuing to develop our reading, writing and spelling skills. In Mathematics, we will be focusing on place value within 10, developing our understanding of numbers through counting, representing, ordering and comparing quantities and numerals. In Science, we will explore seasonal changes, observing how the environment changes throughout the year. In Art, we will develop our drawing skills by learning how to use lines and shapes to create different effects and images. Our History learning will focus on nurses and healthcare through time, helping children understand how hospitals, medicine and the role of nurses have changed over the years. In PE, we will practise a range of skills using rackets, bats and balls, developing coordination, control and teamwork. In RE, we will consider the question, *Who do Christians say made the world?* In Music, we will learn about pulse and rhythm, developing our ability to keep a steady beat and perform simple musical patterns.