

# Friday 17th September 2022

A very warm welcome to our children and families just joining us at St. Anne's in our Reception class. On behalf of Mrs. Davidson and myself we want you to know you are very welcome and we feel so privileged that you have entrusted us with the care of your children.

We have made a great start in Reception, building relationships, meeting our buddies and getting used to our new class alongside learning new rules and routines.

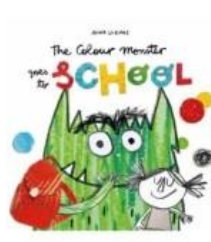


## Information for Reception class...

**Leo the Lion**- this week the children have been introduced to Leo. He will be our class mascot. Leo will visit a different child every week where you can record your weekend fun for us to share in class.

**PE** - Alongside our daily 'jumpstart Jonny' exercise and being physical in our outdoor garden we will also have a PE session. To begin with we will just practice taking shoes, socks and jumpers off and go up to the hall for PE. In a few weeks time we will begin to get fully changed in to a PE kit. This can be brought in to school and kept on your child's peg. It will be given out every half term to be washed and brought back. We will let you know when your child needs their kit in school.

**Phonics**- Now the children are feeling settled in to school life at St. Anne's we will begin our daily Read Write Inc phonics lessons next week. The children are so excited to begin learning their sounds.



We have started this week with lots of books around starting school and family. This has provided us with lots of opportunities to talk about starting school. The things we are looking forward to and if there is anything that we might be feeling a little worried about.

We have been looking at the book 'The Colour Monster' to help us associate with emotions and how we are feeling.

### Worship

The children will take part in whole school worships and class worships. They have already joined in with two very moving worships around the sad passing of the Queen and have met Rev. Matt from St. Annes's church.

### Early years fund

We do welcome a £1 a week voluntary donation towards our Early Years fund. This helps fund extra craft activities, cooking and food tasting experiences throughout the year. Please could your child bring this in, in a named envelope. Thank you.

This week the children met their Buddy. This is when a year 6 child is paired up with a reception child. They can then help them around the school such as play times and lunch times. There will be a buddies assembly on Tuesday 11th October where 2 people from each family can attend.



### Tuck

At school we run a tuck shop every Friday. It is 30p for a small bar of chocolate. This money needs to be brought in, in a named envelope.

### Homework

The children will come home next Friday with a grid of 'suggested homework tasks' that they may like to do at home over the half term. We will also begin with phonics homework next Friday as we begin to learn our sounds.

Any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. Have a great weekend! Mrs. Tonge