Beaconhill Community Primary School



Class Information - Reception

Welcome to Reception





Class Teachers	Mrs Robinson and Mrs Carrick
Support Staff	Mrs Birks, Miss Ball, Mrs Wernick, Mrs Brooks, and Mrs Fantozzi.
PE	Children should come to school dressed in PE kit and trainers on their PE days which are Wednesday and Thursday . PE kit will be worn for the full day .
Reading Books and Phonics	Reading books will be sent home every Tuesday and should be returned to school the following Monday . In addition to reading books, your child will bring home flashcards with the graphemes (the letter corresponding to each phoneme / sound) already taught in their phonics lessons that week. Please use these to support simple word reading .
Homework	Homework will be set on a Friday and should be completed and returned to school by the following Thursday .
Uniform	All children must attend school in their school uniform. All clothing must be named . Sharpie markers are available for you to borrow if required.
Beach School	Dates and groupings will be confirmed in a letter prior to each visit. Please ensure that you have the correct visit date for your child. On the morning of your child's beach visit, they must come to school in the appropriate clothing for the weather as detailed in the visit letter. We aim to leave school by 9.15am and therefore do not have time to get children ready in class or wait for kit to be brought from home. Remember, when buying new waterproof jackets we suggest that you

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	buy them slightly bigger so that you can still fit a warm coat underneath in the cold weather.
Absence	Please call school on the first day of your child's absence . School operates a first day absence call system.
Illness	Children must be kept off school for a minimum of 24 hours after sickness or cases of diarrhoea unless there is a wider outbreak when this will become 48 hours.
Holidays	Holidays should not be taken during term time . School attendance remains a key priority for the school. Attendance across school is monitored on an ongoing basis and we will work closely with our Education Welfare Officer to support with attendance concerns.
Water Bottles	Please ensure that your child has a named water bottle at school every day with fresh water in it. Drinking water throughout the day has been proven to improve concentration and learning .
Snack	Children will be offered a fruit snack each morning. If your child is bringing a snack in from home, please ensure it is a healthy one. If you wish to give your child grapes , please cut them in half lengthways to avoid a choking hazard. A polite reminder that we are a NUT FREE school.
Jewellery	Jewellery must not be worn during the school day. This includes smart watches and any piercings. Alongside other schools in the Cramlington Partnership, we have a policy of no earrings as they present a health and safety hazard. This includes flat plastic retainers. No jewellery should be worn.
Spare Clothing	Your child should always have a bag containing spare clothes on their peg.
Weather	On sunny days, please apply sun-cream to your child before coming to school. If the sun-cream is not a 'long-life' cream please teach your child to put their own sun-cream on ready for lunchtime as adults are not allowed to help. Also a reminder that children must not share their sun-cream with others.
Communication	A weekly newsletter is emailed out to parents every Friday. You will also receive texts and emails so please ensure you open these so that you don't miss important information. We also have a school Facebook page and website which are regularly updated.

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Useful Links	Little Wandle Parent Resources Numberblocks programmes available on BBC iPlayer. These short
	episodes are incredibly valuable in providing children with a deep, conceptual understanding of basic number .