# Welcome to EYFS



Mrs Nell Lemons class teacher





Miss Riches Oranges class teacher

<u>Support Staff</u>



Miss Adams EYFS Lead/ Deputy Head



Miss Howling







Mrs Watkins



Mrs Cobb

Mrs Alexander



Mrs Moore

In EYFS the children are organised into two Reception/Nursery classes (Oranges and Lemons) and we also have use of an additional class base (Limes). This enables us to come together as two classes at key points during the day and also offers us the flexibility to organise the children across the classes in different groupings and set up specific and targeted provision and activities using the three class bases as well as and including using our outside area.

Mrs Nell, Miss Riches and Miss Adams plan for EYFS and work together in both classes. All members of the EYFS team work very closely to support every child's needs and learning.

It is important to recognise that at different times some children will feel upset/anxious and may not want to come to school. These are normal feelings and there are many reasons for this. We encourage you to work with us to support your child so please talk to us.

#### Home/School learning:

From week three your child will bring home a reading book bundle and bookmark. Please share the books with your child and record these on the bookmark. Add any other titles of books you share with your child at home on here too. Once your child has read 20 library books they will receive their reading badge. Books are sent home on Mondays for Reception-age and Wednesdays for Nursery-age and then returned the same day the following week. We will also share on the bookmark other ways you can link to the weekly learning happening in school at home.

## School Rules:

- **Ready** in EYFS this means ready to listen carefully, try to do our best, take part positively, work together
- **Respect** in EYFS this means treating others the way we want to be treated ourselves, share and take turns, saying 'please' and 'thank you'
- Safe in EYFS this means make good choices, looking after each other

## Communciation:

EYFS class teachers will meet and greet children every morning in the playground. Quick messages can be relayed at this time such as changes to who will be collecting your child at the end of the session/day. If we need to, staff will relay messages at the end of the day to the adult collecting and follow this up with a Marvellous Me message if appropriate.

School communicates letters, newsletters and notices with parents/carers are via Marvellous Me messages. It is important to check this regularly to keep up to date with information. Letters can also be found on the school website.

If you have any questions about your child please speak to their class teacher; Oranges: Miss Riches and Lemons: Mrs Nell. You can also speak to Miss Adams as EYFS Lead Teacher. If you would like a telephone call please contact the office to request a return call at a convenient time.

#### <u>Useful things to know:</u>

- Please make sure all items of clothing are named. This helps us return clothes promptly to the right owner. Please be aware that items not named may get lost.
- We access our outdoor area at all times of the year so please make sure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather eg. coat if it forecasts rain or it is cold, suntan lotion and a sunhat in the warmer weather, wellies if it snows.
- Your child will have their own named coat peg for coats and school bags and their own named drawer for their book bag and jumper/cardigan when they take them off.
- If your child has an inhaler please make sure you have completed the necessary paperwork to enable us to administer it to your child. Please let us know at the start of the year so we can arrange for this to happen.
- A reading book bag is really useful to help your child keep their reading bundle as well as any other information sent home safe between home and school.
- School provides a free snack twice a day. This consists of a selection of fruit and milk or water. There is no option of providing your own snack. Snack time is an important part of our curriculum and enables us to develop speaking and listening skills, independence, turn taking and learning about healthy foods and healthy lives. We are able to meet any dietary requirements so please speak to us about this.
- EYFS staff supervise and serve your child their lunch. Reception-age eat in Oranges and Lemons classrooms and those nursery-aged children who access our lunch club provision eat in Limes.
- Your child can bring a water bottle to school to drink with their lunch. No fizzy drinks please.
- To keep everyone safe please wait for your child to be called and sent to you at the end of the day. It is important to understand that at the start of the year it takes a little more time (it does get quicker) so please be patient as it is important that we keep everyone safe.

We appreciate that there is lots to take in but it will soon all become routine. Please ask if you have any questions, we are only too happy to talk about EYFS and what we are encouraging your child to be able to do.

You will also find further information and more photographs on the school website under: About  $Us \rightarrow Welcome$  to EYFS

<u>EYFS Learning Environment</u>

Lemons Classroom







Oranges classroom

Limes Classroom





EYFS drop off/ collection area is located at the rear of the school

Walk around the main school building to the rear of the school and EYFS staff will be waiting to meet and greet you and take your child to their classroom.

You can find more information about EYFS on the school website

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