

# Welcome to Year R at Cecil Road Primary & Nursery School!

Dear Parents/ Carers,

The children are now settling in well and have made a wonderful start to their Reception year. It has been lovely to meet and get to know all our new children. Our topic this term is '**Super Me**' – this topic allows us to get to know the children well and gives the children the opportunity to talk about things they like and dislike, their families, and things they enjoy doing.

## Water Bottles

The children must bring a water bottle in every day. This bottle must contain water, this is in addition to a drink in a packed lunch.



## End of the Day

When collecting your child, please can we kindly ask if you wish to speak to your class teacher you wait until they have finished dismissing all children.

## Packed Lunch

Please remember we are a NUT FREE, healthy school. Therefore, lunch boxes must not contain any food containing nuts or sweets.



## Clothing

If you haven't already, please ensure all items of your child's clothing/ belongings are named.



### Important dates

- European Day - 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 3 pm
- RWInc (Phonics) Workshop - 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 2.45pm
- World Mental health day - 10<sup>th</sup> October 2023
- Pumpkin carving - 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023, times to follow.
- Staff development day - 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023 (School closed)
- Half term break 23<sup>rd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> October 2023
- First day of term 2 - 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023

This term in the following areas we are learning to...

### Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- To describe a friend.
- To know and demonstrate friendly behaviour.
- To understand how to be a good friend.
- To learn to join in with whole group activities.
- To choose an activity independently.
- To describe and show friendly behaviour
- To begin taking turns with their friends.



### Communication and Language



- To talk about themselves and others
- To sing songs
- To speak about a range of texts.
- To know about others.
- To know familiar songs.
- To describe different story and non-fiction texts.

## Physical Development

- To use a dominant hand.
- To begin to form recognisable letters which are formed mostly correctly.
- To use climbing equipment safely and competently.
- To know which hand to write with.
- To know how to use the trim trail safely.
- To know how to use scissors effectively.



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## Literacy / phonics



- Listening to and hearing initial sounds in familiar words.
- Listens to familiar stories and able to recall some facts.
- Knows how to sequence familiar stories.
- Knowing that words can be written.



- Knowing the sounds that the taught letters make.
- Knowing what the taught letters look like.
- Knowing how to write the taught letters.

## Maths



- 1:1 counting.
- Recognising and ordering numbers to 10.
- Formation of written numbers.
- Subitising.
- Counting groups of objects.



### Understanding the World

- To talk about how they have changed since they were a baby.
- To talk about the changes they observe in their environment.
- Identify some similarities and differences between now and the past.



### Expressive Arts and Design



- To remember the words to a range of songs.
- To give meaning to the marks that are made.
- To learn a range of songs from around the world.
- To know that people from different countries may have different traditions.
- To know that certain art types belong to different cultures.



Here is to a happy and successful first term at school!

The Reception Team - Mrs Rock, Miss Hope, Mrs Connolly, Miss Mckee and Mrs Reeves.