



# Supporting Your Child in Reception Class

Summer 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope everyone had an enjoyable spring break and we would like to wish you all a very warm welcome back.

Here is some information we hope you will find useful as your child enters their last term with us in Reception.

## Reminders:

### Times:

School starts at 8.40 am    Lunch time 11.45 – 1.15 pm    School ends 3.15 pm.

We greatly appreciate parents bringing their children to school on time as it gives them a good start to their day. Punctuality ensures the children feel part of the routines of class. If your child cannot attend school or may be late for whatever reason, please inform the office with as much notice as possible.

**If your child arrives after 9am please take him/her to the office to be signed in, not the classroom.**

### Bags:

We ask that your child brings their book bag to school every day.

**Please remember that water bottles do not go in their bags in case of leaks.**

### Water bottles.

Please continue to bring a water bottle into school every day. Your child will have access to it throughout the day. We do have access to fresh water and will be able to top up the bottle if your child has finished. We do not have juice, squash, or flavoured water in the classroom because spillages could cause damage to equipment. We have found that although your child may refuse water at home, they are often happy to drink it at school when thirsty.

### Reading books:

As a school, we have purchased new reading books for the children linked to the ELS phonics scheme we are using. These have been quite expensive for the school, and we would appreciate it if the children can be taught to look after them when taking them out of their plastic reading wallets at home. Please do not allow younger children to handle the books, or have any pens or crayons etc, near the books, and return the books safe in the wallets and in your child's book bag. The books need to be in school every day as we will endeavour to hear the children read as often as possible.

The children will be given two books where possible, one at their current phonics reading level and one within the phase we are working at, if appropriate for your child.

We are working at phase 4 phonics, on our ELS scheme, currently, and will send further information soon.



## Curriculum:

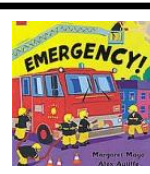
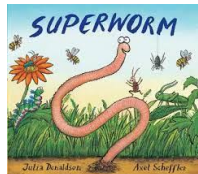
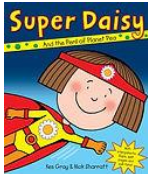
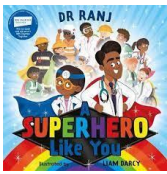
Our first topic this term will be 'Heroes'. Our enquiry question is *Am I a hero?*

### Possible Further Lines of Enquiry

What are your special powers?  
Do I know any real-life heroes?  
Everyday heroes such as doctors, nurses, fire, police, military etc. What do they do that makes them heroes?  
What heroes (people who help us) live near our school?  
Comparison study: Look at modern day nurses and compare with Florence Nightingale.

### The Prime Areas

Throughout the environment children will be encouraged to use their developing communication and language skills through retelling and creating their own narratives. Physical development will be reinforced by providing opportunities for obstacle courses, superhero training, large scale den construction, etc.



Keep the date! - You are invited to Reception's class assembly on 23<sup>rd</sup> May. More information to follow in a few weeks.

### Uniform Reminder

Please could you ensure that children are in the correct uniform for the school day.

Boys: Grey/black trousers, a white/blue shirt/polo shirt and a blue school jumper.

Girls: Grey/black skirts/pinafores or trousers, a white/blue shirt/polo shirt and a blue school jumper or cardigan.

### P.E

Our P.E. days are still **Tuesday** and **Friday**.

The children need come to school in their P.E. kits and do not need to bring their school uniform to change into after.

PE kit - white t-shirt, school jumper/cardigan, black shorts/jogging bottoms, and trainers.

For health and safety reasons **NO JEWELLERY** is to be worn. Staff are unable to remove or take responsibility for the safe keeping of jewellery. If your child is unable to remove their own earrings, we would suggest that you remove them before they come to school or cover the earrings with tape.

Please name **ALL** clothing, including school uniform and shoes.

Remember you can keep up to date with new and further information, by visiting our school website **[www.langmoor.leics.sch.uk](http://www.langmoor.leics.sch.uk)**

Yours sincerely,

The Reception Team

