



Reception Newsletter

Spring



Reception Fund

Thank you to those parents who have paid their school fund contribution. We are unable to manage effectively in Reception without this additional funding. We ask that, if you have yet to pay the £35 contribution, you please do so.

Last term, we were able to purchase Christmas decorations, Christingle resources, new Home Corner toys, as well as the usual playdough ingredients, writing materials, and creative resources.

Pom Pom for Reading

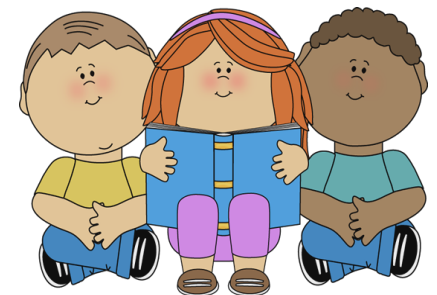
Please remember that it is very important for your child to read at home as often as possible. Your child will also receive a pompom for their bucket if they read at home. Please sign your child's reading record so that we are aware of their reading activities. We will check your child's reading record when they read with a member of staff.

Reading and Homework Folder

We kindly request that your child brings their reading and homework folder to school every day. This folder will be used to distribute letters, information, reading books, and homework. Please ensure that your child's folder is emptied daily so that it only contains their reading book, reading record, completed homework, and any notes for their teacher. Additionally, we ask that only one keyring be attached to the book bag, if any, as multiple keyrings do not fit into the trays.

Lost Books - £5

If a library book or book bag book has been misplaced, we kindly ask that you cover the cost of the book, which is £5. Please provide this amount in cash to your child's class teacher. Unfortunately, your child will not receive a new library or book bag book until either their misplaced book has been found or you have paid the £5 to cover the cost.



Welcome Back

Happy New Year to all our families and children. We hope you had a wonderful break and are looking forward to the year ahead. Thank you so much for all your generous Christmas gifts; they are very much appreciated. The children have made an excellent start to 2026 and have shown great enthusiasm for our new topic in school, "Superheroes."



Water Bottles

Children do not need water bottles in Reception, as water is available throughout the day in the snack area. If a child needs a water bottle due to medical reasons, please speak to the class teacher.

Toys

Please ensure that your child is not bringing in any toys from home, as the children have plenty to play with when they come to school.

Name Tags

We ask that you please ensure your child has his or her name on each item of his or her school uniform, school shoes, and P.E. pumps. This will help prevent children from getting their school items mixed up with others.

Oxford Owl Home Reading

As part of your child's reading, there is an opportunity each week to access material online via the Oxford Owl website: <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/login?active-tab=students>. Your child's individual login is attached to their reading record. This is updated every Friday and corresponds with your child's guided reading completed in school. There is also an interactive quiz for your child to complete, and we will monitor your child's progress.

Diary Dates

13th February: BREAK UP

23rd February: Return to school

16th March: Parents' Evening - Face to Face

17th March: Parents' Evening - Face to Face

1st April: PTA Easter Egg Hunt

2nd April: BREAK UP

20th April: Return to school



Nut Allergies

Due to the presence of nut allergies among some children in the school, we kindly ask parents to be conscientious and understanding when selecting items for their children's lunches. We request that no items containing nuts be included in their lunches.

Early Years Email Address

Nursery and Reception have a dedicated email address for photographs only. If you would like to send photographs for your child's show and tell, please use the following email address:
standrewseyfs@gmail.com

We do not check this email account daily, and we must stress that we will never reply to emails sent to this address. If you do send something to this account, please inform your child's class teacher.

Library

Every week, your child has the opportunity to use the school library. Both classes will visit the library every Thursday to listen to their class teacher read a story. This is a great way for the children to explore the library and choose a book independently that interests them. If your child would like to borrow a new library book, please ensure they return their current library book on Thursday. They will not be able to select a new library book without returning the current one.