

Dear parents/carers,

Welcome back!

I hope you've all had a great summer holiday and the children have enjoyed their first full week back at school. It has been lovely to see the children come into school each morning with a smile and lots of enthusiasm for the day ahead!

Many of our usual routines have had to change, but the Bumblebees are doing a super job of adapting to these changes smoothly and they have been thinking carefully about our new way of working in the classroom together.



Returning to the Classroom

This week, the Bumblebees have been settling back into school by learning about our new routines, school rules and how to wash their hands thoroughly. We have also started to read the text 'Here We Are' by Oliver Jeffers. This is a text which is being used by all the classes for the first couple of weeks of term to support the children's return to school. We are focussing on their social and emotional aspects of learning during these weeks as well as supporting them to become confident with our new school routines.

Later this half term, our topic is going to be 'Healthy Me'. We will be learning about the importance of exercise, good hygiene and a healthy balanced diet. As well as this, we are going to be finding out about famous nurses from the past.

Reminders

Home Time Arrangements

Please contact the office to confirm and update your child's end of day collection permissions. If there are any changes to these as the year goes on, please inform the office as soon as possible.

Reading Books

Once we have assessed the children's phonic knowledge and reading skills, we will begin to send home reading books with your child.

Homework

We are currently not setting any homework for the children whilst they settle back into school. When this changes, we will provide you with more information.

PE

Bumblebees need to come into school wearing their PE kits on **Monday** and **Wednesday**.



Weather Appropriate Clothing

Please make sure your child has an appropriate coat or jacket in school with them as the weather is cold and changeable. We are hoping to do as much of our learning outside as we can!

Shoe laces

We appreciate that learning to tie up your shoe laces can be a difficult skill to learn however, if your child wears shoes with laces to school, it would be really helpful if they're able to tie the laces up by themselves.

Water Bottles

The children need to have a named water bottle in school with them every day. We will remind them to access this throughout the day.

Kind regards,

Miss Smith