

Welcome to Reception



Staffing — subject to change



Mrs Payne
Elephants



Mrs Hobster
Tigers



Mrs Gray
Tigers



Miss Hall
Elephants

Senior leadership team

Mrs Kelly – head teacher

Mrs Griffiths – deputy head teacher

Miss Lynch – assistant head teacher

Miss Moore – assistant head teacher

Mrs Gray – EYFS leader

Mrs Mee – SENCO and KS1 phase leader

Mr Husbands – reading and KS2 phase leader

Topics

- Autumn 1 - Our Community
- Autumn 2 - Light and Dark
- Spring 1 - Create and Investigate
- Spring 2 - Once Upon a Time
- Summer 1 – Creatures Big and Small
- Summer 2 - Explorers

Trips/Visitors

<u>Trip</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Approximate cost</u>
'BrightBites' dental workshop	Autumn 2	Free
Lakeside Arts Theatre	Spring 2	Approx £10.00 - TBC
Stonebridge City Farm	Summer 1	Approx £8.00 - TBC
Walk to the Park – Linked to mapping skills	Summer 2	Free

The costs will include transport to and from the trip.

Costings for trips will be sent out via the office and can be paid for in weekly instalments.

Uniform

Please label all uniform with your child's name.

Children are expected to have a plain pair of black school shoes.

Please ensure your child does not wear any jewellery to school except for a pair of stud earrings.

Children should not wear nail polish to school.

Speak to your class teacher if there are any questions or queries about uniform.



PE



PE is on Monday each week.

Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school every day. This includes:

- plain white t-shirt
- black/navy shorts, leggings or joggers
- trainers

Earrings must be removed on PE days. A letter must be filled in if they need to tape them up due to having them pierced recently.

Please ensure long hair is tied up.

Behaviour policy

Positive behaviour and learning will be rewarded with stickers and verbal praise.

Children will be rewarded for a team ethos by collecting tiger stripes or elephant patches and then being able to enjoy a class treat, voted for by them.

Children will also move through the stars and planets, reaching for the stars to achieve 'gold'.

Our behaviour policy has been updated to reflect parent, staff and children's views and will now use a class behaviour chart with gold, silver, green, orange and red – all children's names will be on this. All children will start on green at the beginning of the day and at lunchtime. Children will move up to silver for excellent behaviour and gold for exceptional behaviours. Children on gold will go to SLT to showcase their learning, and receive a certificate home.

Low-level behaviours will get two reminders and then move to orange and the child will have 5 minutes on the carpet to reflect. If the behaviour stops, they will move back to green. If the behaviour continues, they will be sent to a partner class for 10 minutes to reflect. If the behaviour continues after this, they will move to red and get sent to a member of SLT. If they are sent to their partner class or SLT, you will be informed. If the behaviour is severe, they will go straight to red and be sent to SLT.

There are individual behaviour systems in place for those children who need it and individual class rewards such as stickers and prizes.

Reading

Children are expected to read at least three times a week and write this in their home-school organiser.

This needs to be signed by an adult weekly.

Books will be changed on a Friday. Children will have read this book 3 times in school already and so should be becoming fluent with it. The book must be returned by the following Thursday to be changed or the next reading group cannot take place.

If the book is lost, £5 will be charged for this and your child will not be able to take another book home until it is paid for.



Home Learning

- After phonics assessments have taken place, any identified gaps will be sent home, please practise these to support your child with reading/writing.
- Bedtime box
- Tiger/Elephant home
- We may send other challenges throughout the year



Stay and Play

Each term, we will invite you to join our learning through 'stay and play' sessions.

These are opportunities for you to come in, play and explore our learning environment alongside your child.

Our first one will be held on Monday 14th December.





Allergies and inhalers

If a child develops a new allergy, please inform the school office straight away.

We are an allergy-aware school and are a nut, sesame, fish and pea-free school. This includes items such as Nutella and chocolate pancakes that contain nuts – please ensure these are not brought into school as we have children with serious allergies to them and if possible, avoid chocolate spread as most of these contain nuts, and items such as Kinder Bueno, Snickers etc. We will call you if we are unsure if something contains one of these allergens.

Children should not be sharing food due to allergies.

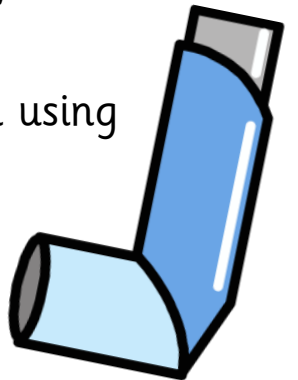
EYFS have fresh fruit/veg provided as a daily snack.

Epi-pens – are kept in a box together in the classroom. Both epi-pens will be in the same place. Please ensure two new ones are given to school when the date runs out.

Inhalers – children should be on the asthma register. Please fill in the inhaler form if your child has a new diagnosis.

Inhalers are kept in a box in the classroom where children can access them. They must tell an adult when using them, and a form will be sent home to tell you they have used their inhaler.

School will inform you if your child's inhaler runs out of date or becomes empty.



Online safety

We know that children enjoy screen time on computers/iPads and there are lots of fantastic learning apps for young children.

We ask that you ensure that parental controls are set up on devices, which children only use under your supervision.

Please be mindful that children only access age appropriate apps/games/videos.

If anybody would like support, we can direct you to guides and there will be a parenting course linked to online safety later in the year, if you are interested.

Too Much Tech?

Watch for these signs



Complaints about
being bored without
screens



Problems with sleep,
school, or face-to-face
interaction



Harsh resistance
to screen time
limits

Are you seeing these signs?

It's time to talk about tech.

TalkHeart2Heart.org

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Questions?

Please see your teachers and TAs now if you have any further questions.

Thank you for attending.