

Dates for your diary!

Tuesday 9th October—School Open Day

Monday 24th September—Parent's
Evening 3.45-7.30pm

Monday 8th October—Reception
curriculum meeting for parents 6pm

Friday 19th October—End of half term
School closes 3.30pm

Date ahead —
Infant Christmas Production is on
Thursday 6th December with
performances at 2pm and 6pm

We very much look forward to
getting to know you and your
children this half term.

With best wishes,
Mrs Ash, Mrs Critchley &
Mrs Crosby

Reception

Our topic is
'All about me'



Autumn Term 1 2018

Please turn over to find out some of the
things we will be doing in our class.

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★ **Class News**
★ Hello from Mrs Ash

★ Welcome again to our school!

★ I've been looking forward to the start of a new school year and helping your child settle into school life and being part of our Reception class.

★ All the children have made a great start and are settling into the routine of school. They have been amazing at lunchtimes carrying their trays of food and going out to play on the playground. We're very proud of them.

★ Our days for PE are Tuesday and Wednesday with our Tuesday session this half term being led by a coach from Chorley Sports Partnership who will teach dance.

★ My door is always open, so if you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask.

★ With best wishes **Mrs Ash**

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★ **Topic theme 'All About Me'**

★ Our first topic of the year gives the children the opportunity to explore all about themselves, families, likes/dislikes, physical features etc. and get to know everyone in our new class. We will also investigate our five senses and explore colours in our creative area.

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★ **RE**

★ In R.E. we will give the children an understanding that they are unique and special; to know that they are loved and valued by God. At Harvest time we will also understand why we say thank you to God. We will discuss our favourite foods and why it is important to help others.

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★ **Phonics**

★ All children will now have received their sound book in which we will stick the sounds taught that week. Please ensure the book is always in the children's bags everyday and please keep them in their clear wallets to protect them.
★ We aim to learn 2 or 3 sounds a week.
★ More information about our approach to phonics will be given at the curriculum information evening on

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★ **Literacy and Maths**

★ **Literacy**

★ In Literacy, we will have our daily phonics sessions and we will enjoy a range of books through our whole class activities. This half term we will be focusing on books which celebrate difference, and how adults, children and families come in all shapes and sizes! Children learn to write their names legibly thinking about developing correct pencil grip and letter formation. We will then move on to stories with repeating patterns to help children be able to re-tell and act out. To link in with Harvest time we will also read The Enormous Turnip.

★ **Maths**

★ In Maths we will learn to read, write and count numbers to 10. We will also focus on recognising some two dimensional shapes e.g. square, circle, triangle. During our maths sessions we will develop our mathematical language e.g. be able to describe more/less, bigger/smaller.