## WELCOME TO RECEPTION







### **Introduction to the Reception Team**

We would like to welcome you and your child to Reception. In Reception, our teachers are:

Mrs Nisa - Year R Leader and RN class teacher

Mrs Arsene – RA Class teacher

Miss Dahir - RD Class teacher

Miss Luffman – RL Class teacher



### Introduction to the Reception team

Some of the other adults who support us in Reception include:

Miss Charman - TA

**Miss Thompson** - TA

Mrs Islam – EYP

Miss Hussey – TA

Miss Ward - Inclusion TA

Mrs Gidda - Inclusion TA



### **Our Expectations**

Claycots School is committed to creating an environment where exemplary behaviour is at the heart of productive learning. Everyone is expected to maintain the highest standards of personal conduct, to accept responsibility for their behaviour and encourage others to do the same. Our behaviour policy guides staff to teach self-discipline and self-regulation. It echoes our core values with a heavy emphasis on the principles of Ready, Respectful and Safe developed by the behaviour expert Paul Dix.

A community that is:

Ready to learn; Respectful of themselves and others; Safe in school We are committed to a partnership approach to promoting positive behaviour and interventions that support staff and learners.



### At Claycots, we are...

Ready

Respectful

Safe





### Ready Respectful Safe

#### **Children will:**

- Work to the best of their abilities and allow others to do the same by being focused and engaged in their learning
- Treat all staff and pupils with respect and show good manners
- Follow instructions of school staff
- Take care of property and the school environment
- Ensure that interactions with staff and their peers are positive

#### Parents will:

- Support their child in adhering to the principles of Ready, Respectful, Safe
- Ensure that the agreement made in the Home-School Agreement is upheld
- Inform the school of any changes in circumstances that may affect their child's behaviour
- Discuss any behavioural concerns with the class teacher promptly
- Ensure that their child has good attendance (97% or above) and is in school on time
- Inform staff of any medical or other needs that may hinder their child's attendance
- Ensure that their child attends school in full uniform



### **Rewards**

• Recognition boards – Our recognition boards are designed by each of our teachers to reflect the theme of their classrooms. We focus on simple targets each week and expect all children to meet these targets by the end of the week. For example, good sitting, good looking and good listening. The children will move across from not having met the target to having met it. This will be celebrated with the whole class and we ensure that children receive the praise they deserve.



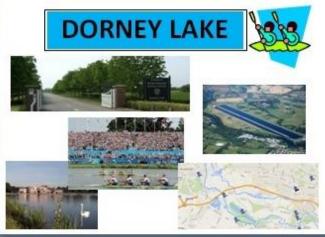
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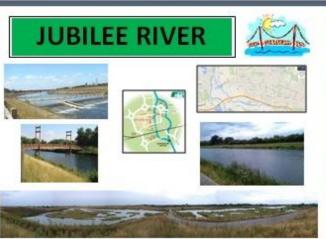
- Certificates Once Reception children are ready, they will attend a weekly assembly where they have the opportunity to receive a Headteacher certificate, nominated by their class teacher. This will celebrate one child in each class that has embodied the Ready, Respectful and Safe values.
- Post cards, phone calls & text messages home.
  - House points and stickers.



### **House Teams**









If you don't know which house your child is in, please contact the class teacher who will be able to tell you.



### **School Uniform**

- Plain white cotton shirt (with a turn down collar)
- School tie
- A V-Neck school jumper or school cardigan (both with the Claycots logo)
- Black or grey skirt/trousers
- White or grey socks or grey tights
- Flat black school shoes must be worn NO TRAINERS



### P.E. Kit

P.E. lessons for Reception children are on <u>Tuesday</u> mornings. Children should come to school in their P.E. kit on this day. They do not need to bring in additional school uniform.

- House team coloured T-shirts (with logo) Bray (red), Dorney (blue), Thames (yellow) and Jubilee (green)
- Bottle green or black jogging bottoms (especially during the colder months)
- Bottle green or black shorts
- Black plimsolls or non-marking trainers



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| Curriculum Area                                       | Autumn 1  | Autumn 2  | Spring 1  | Spring 2  | Summer 1  | Summer 2  |
| Theme   | All about me.   | In to the woods/<br>Christmas.                      | People who help us. Planting and growing.                         | Mini-beasts<br>Life cycles                                | Farm animals  | Sand and sea<br>Pirates                                   |
| Text  | Rosie's walk<br>Funny bones<br>We're going on a bear<br>hunt  | Room on the Broom<br>Stickman<br>The Gruffalo       | Bob baby<br>Non-fiction people<br>who help us texts.<br>Supertato | Elmer and the rainbow<br>Jack and the Beanstalk           | The very hungry<br>caterpillar<br>Tadpole's Promise<br>Harry and his<br>bucketful of dinosaurs. | Superworm<br>What the ladybird<br>heard<br>Billy's bucket |
| Cultural Capital:<br>trips, visits and<br>experiences | Home visits<br>Staggered start  | Park visit<br>Christmas<br>performance              | Firefighters, police, paramedic, etc visitors.                    | Living eggs- hatching ducklings or chicks?                | Trip to the farm  | Summer picnic for parents                                 |
| Celebrations  | Discuss previous<br>celebrations- Eid in the<br>Summer holidays.  | Christmas<br>Diwali<br>Halloween                    | Mother's day<br>Easter<br>Chinese New Year<br>World book day      | Personal celebrations<br>and milestones-<br>birthdays     | Father's day<br>Eid   | Sports day  |
| Communication,<br>Language & Literacy                 | Talking about ourselves and what our likes / dislikes are Discussing our families Rhyming words Role playing in CP. Story table/boxes Listen to stories and recall events Join in with retelling of we're going on a bear hunt using story map. Circle time to support listening and recall skills – share about our weekends and play educational/word aware/ musical games. | According to needs and interests based on Autumn 1. | According to needs<br>and interests based on<br>Autumn 2.         | According to needs<br>and interests based<br>on Spring 1. | According to needs and interests based on Spring 2.   | According to needs and interests based on Summer 1.       |



| Physical<br>Development    | Finger gym.  Manipulating play dough to develop finger strength.  Use ribbons in the outdoor area for big movements.  Chalk - big mark making.  Big paint brushes - big movements.  Writing names.  Big blocks in construction area outside. Also, use of bikes.                      | According to needs and interests based on Autumn 1.       | According to needs and interests based on Autumn 2. | According to needs and interests based on Spring 1. | According to needs and interests based on Spring 2. | According to needs and interests based on Summer 1. |
|----------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| PSED                       | Starting school. Separating from parent / carer. What I enjoy doing at school. My family and people who live in my house. Making friends. Being kind and gentle. Sharing toys and taking turns with others. Establishing the school/class rules and routines and building confidence. | According to needs<br>and interests based<br>on Autumn 1. | According to needs and interests based on Autumn 2. | According to needs and interests based on Spring 1. | According to needs and interests based on Spring 2. | According to needs and interests based on Summer 1. |
| Understanding<br>the World | Feeling and describing different textures. Talking about their homes and family. Discuss festivals and how we celebrate them.   | According to needs<br>and interests based<br>on Autumn 1. | According to needs and interests based on Autumn 2. | According to needs and interests based on Spring 1. | According to needs and interests based on Spring 2. | According to needs and interests based on Summer 1. |
| Expressive Art<br>& Design | Introduction to playdough and junk modelling, supporting children in use of tools. Music with TS. Use of different materials to create the same outcome (sticks, bricks, straw). Goldilocks song. 5 a day dance. To use tools with increasing control and safely.                     | According to needs<br>and interests based<br>on Autumn 1. | According to needs and interests based on Autumn 2. | According to needs and interests based on Spring 1. | According to needs and interests based on Spring 2. | According to needs and interests based on Summer 1. |



| Technology | Exploring toys.<br>Resources with<br>buttons  | iPADs- how to<br>take photographs<br>Using a simple<br>educational app | iPAD- how to<br>make a video<br>Using an<br>educational app<br>independently<br>Using a keyboard/<br>mouse | Using technology<br>for a purpose-<br>project<br>Creating and<br>printing your<br>work | Technology in<br>everyday life<br>Internet safety            | Completing a simple program                                  |
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| PSHE & RHE | Being Me in My<br>World   | Celebrating<br>Difference  | Dreams and Goals   | Healthy Me   | Relationships  | Changing Me  |
| Music      | Playing repeated<br>rhythms<br>Singing familiar/<br>common nursery<br>rhymes<br>Body percussion | Moving in time to music/ rhythms                                       | According to<br>needs and<br>interests based on<br>Autumn 2.   | According to<br>needs and<br>interests based<br>on Spring 1.                           | According to<br>needs and<br>interests based on<br>Spring 2. | According to<br>needs and<br>interests based on<br>Summer 1. |



## What does the curriculum look like?



#### Year R shared Reading texts 2020-2021

| Term            | Aut 1  | Aut 2  | Spr 1  | Spr 2  | Sum 1   | Sum 2           |  |
|-----------------|--|--|--|--|---|-----------------|--|
|                 | 2week Nursery books<br>6 weeks   | 7 weeks  | 6 weeks  | 6 weeks  | 6 weeks   | 6 weeks         |  |
| English<br>Text | Who will be my mother?<br>Hairy Bear<br>Meanies<br>Just like Jasper<br>The Hungry Giant<br>Night and Day | The meanies come to school Mr Big goes to the park The giant Sandwich Mr Big has a party - 2 weeks This is the Bear- 2 weeks (We are going on a leaf hunt) | Wishy washy In the street Mr Big is a big help This is Bear and scary night Time of the Day How to grow a Hyacinth | Mud walk (farm animals) Splishy Sploshy My Mum The three Billy goats gruff - 3 weeks | Life as a Butterfly The Hungry Giant soup The ginger bread man - 3weeks This is the Bear and picnic lunch Handa's Hen/ A duck egg | A Meanies party |  |



## What does a week in Reception look like?

|           | 08:30<br>-09:00                      | 09:00<br>-9:20 | 09:20<br>-09:40                           | 09:45<br>-11:00  | 11:15<br>-11:45        | 11:45<br>-<br>12:15 | 12:15-<br>12:40 | 12:45-<br>14:00                      | 14:00-<br>14:20  | 14:20-<br>14:50                      | 14:50-15:10  |                                      |                         |                                      |  |        |  |  |  |  |                                      |  |                    |                         |                                      |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|----------------|---|--|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------|--|--|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Monday    | Morning<br>challenge<br>Registration | Phonics        | Shared<br>reading                         | Free flow<br>CP activities<br>within<br>classrooms<br>Outdoor area | Lunch in the big hall. |                     |                 | Afternoon<br>register<br>Maths input | Free flow<br>CP activities<br>within<br>classrooms<br>Outdoor area | Additional phonics                   | Snack and story<br>time  | Home time routine<br>15:15 dismissal |                         |                                      |  |        |  |  |  |  |                                      |  |                    |                         |                                      |
| Tuesday   | Morning<br>challenge<br>Registration | Phonics        | Shared<br>reading                         | Free flow<br>CP activities<br>within<br>classrooms<br>Outdoor area |                        |                     |                 |                                      | utdoor area  | Afternoon<br>register<br>Maths input | Free flow<br>CP activities<br>within<br>classrooms<br>Outdoor area | Additional phonics                   | Snack and story<br>time | Home time routine<br>15:15 dismissal |  |        |  |  |  |  |                                      |  |                    |                         |                                      |
| Wednesday | Morning<br>challenge<br>Registration | Phonics        | Shared<br>reading                         | Free flow<br>CP activities<br>within<br>classrooms<br>Outdoor area |                        |                     |                 |                                      |  |                                      |  |                                      |                         |                                      |  | in the |  |  |  |  | Afternoon<br>register<br>Maths input | Free flow<br>CP activities<br>within<br>classrooms<br>Outdoor area | Additional phonics | Snack and story<br>time | Home time routine<br>15:15 dismissal |
| Thursday  | Morning<br>challenge<br>Registration | Phonics        | Recap of<br>shared<br>reading,<br>summary | Free flow<br>CP activities<br>within<br>classrooms<br>Outdoor area |                        |                     |                 |                                      | Lu<br>Outdoor pl   | Afternoon<br>register<br>Maths input | Free flow<br>CP activities<br>within<br>classrooms<br>Outdoor area | Additional phonics                   | Snack and story<br>time | Home time routine<br>15:15 dismissal |  |        |  |  |  |  |                                      |  |                    |                         |                                      |
| Friday    | Morning<br>challenge<br>Registration | Phonics        | Shared<br>writing                         | Free flow<br>CP activities<br>within<br>classrooms                 |                        |                     |                 |                                      |  | Afternoon<br>register<br>Maths input | Free flow<br>CP activities<br>within<br>classrooms<br>Outdoor area | Additional phonics                   | Snack and story<br>time | Home time routine<br>15:15 dismissal |  |        |  |  |  |  |                                      |  |                    |                         |                                      |

### Reading

Reading is one of the most important skills you can help your child develop. Some of the ways in which you can support them include:

- Listening to your child read regularly.
- Reading to your child. In Reception, children enjoy being read to and this is a great opportunity to model good reading.
- Ask your child questions about what they have read, they need to develop an understanding of the text to support their comprehension skills.
- Write a note when you have heard your child read in their homework diary.



### **Homework**

Homework will be given out by the teachers when required. Your child will also have access to:

- Bug Club (to support with Reading)
- Mathletics (to support with Maths)
- A weekly reading book (once we begin phase 2 phonics)
- A half term matrix grid of cross curricular activities (this is due in the last week of each half term and should be done in the Homework books unless it is a practical activity). You can also include photographs and stick in items, e.g. leaves you collected on a leaf hunt.



### **Year Group reminders**

### Water bottle

We ask that your child has a sports cap water bottle in school everyday. This must only be filled with water and not juice/squash/fizzy drinks. We encourage children to make healthy lifestyle choices.



### Healthy packed lunches

We promote healthy eating and would like to encourage you to do the same. Please ensure your child has a healthy packed lunch if they are not having school dinners.





### If your child is unwell

As we move further into the Autumn Term children will be developing colds, coughs and other illnesses, common in the winter months. The symptoms associated with many of these common illnesses may be similar to those associated with coronavirus and you may be concerned about differentiating between these and coronavirus.

If your child is unwell, the school cannot advise you on whether or not they should stay at home. Instead, you need to make the decision based on the symptoms they are displaying.

At school, we are encouraging children to reduce their risk of spreading colds by following Catch it, Bin it, Kill it, and washing their hands regularly throughout the day. Clearly any absence from school has an impact on children's education and we want to minimise this where possible.



### A COVID symptom guide

| Signs and<br>Symptoms                                     | Cold                | Flu (Influenza)       | COVID-19 (Wuhan<br>Coronavirus) |  |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Fever   | Mild if present     | Often                 | Often                           |  |
| Fatigue, Tiredness  | Occasional,<br>mild | Common                | Occasional                      |  |
| Sneezing  | Common              | Infrequent            | Infrequent                      |  |
| Body Aches  | Common              | Common                | Occasional                      |  |
| Headache  | Very<br>infrequent  | Common                | Occasional                      |  |
| Sore Throat   | Common              | Occasional            | Occasional                      |  |
| Stuffy or Runny<br>Nose                                   | Common              | Occasional            | Infrequent                      |  |
| Diarrhoea   | No                  | Occasional            | Infrequent                      |  |
| Watery eyes   | Common              | Common                | Infrequent                      |  |
| Cough   | Mild                | Dry cough             | A dry cough, often severe       |  |
| Shortness of Breath                                       | No                  | Rare                  | With mild/moderate infection    |  |
| Difficulty Breathing*<br>(*Needs oxygen or<br>ventilator) | No                  | In severe infections* | Common in severe infections*    |  |



### Working Together ...

If you have any concerns, we want to work with you to offer reassurance. If you would like to speak to us, please phone the school office to arrange a phone call.

In the first instance, you should always speak to:

- Class Teacher
- 2. Year Leader Mrs Nisa



