

Braunston C.E. Primary School

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Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

I hope you have all had a brilliant break and are looking forward to your first year at Braunston School! I cannot wait to hear all about your summer adventures and begin our exciting learning journey in Reception. This term's topic is All About Me / Rhyme. Throughout the year, you will have access to our online learning platform, Google Classroom. Information will be posted on there such as our long term plan, termly topic webs and any events happening in school. Plans can be viewed via the website. Your child will be set up with a school email account and password to access Google Classroom - more information to follow.

Reading

In your child's book bag this week, you will find a wordless reading book and their reading record. Please spend some time with them going through the book and discuss what is happening in the pictures. Try asking them to predict how the story might end or how a character might be feeling and why. Look through the book several times and encourage your child to re-tell the story in their own words. Practise extending your child's vocabulary by asking them if they can think of other words that have the same or a similar meaning. From week two, we will begin to learn our sounds and would appreciate you helping your child with forming the sounds that they will be learning in school. Try forming letters using sensory materials such as sand, foam, sticks in mud etc so that your child can develop their gross motor skills, ready to refine their fine motor skills. The sounds we will be learning each week, will be displayed in our classroom window. When your child receives their word pack, please practise reading the words by sounding out the letter sounds first 'm-a-t' before saying the whole word 'mat.' If you need further clarification on how to do this, please do not hesitate to speak to one of the Reception team. Please do continue to listen to your child read as much as possible and record how they are reading or any concerns you have in their reading record. Thank you. Please ensure that they have their reading book and record in school every day.

PE days

Our PE days are on a Wednesday and a Friday. **Please send your child into school in their PE kit on these days.** Thank you. As the weather gets cooler, please ensure your child is dressed appropriately with black or grey jogging bottoms and their school sweatshirt.

Water bottles

A polite reminder that children must be coming to school with only water in their bottles. Please do not send your child into school with juice.

Parents' Information Evening

We would like to invite you into school on Wednesday 22nd September for a tour of the school at 5:00 pm. Further information will be sent out.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Jorgensen and the Reception team.



