

Do you want to be friends? Reception

This half term we will be settling into our new school. We will be meeting lots of new people and having lots of fun learning through play! We will be doing lots of talking about how we can be a good friend, talking about what is special to us and reading lots of stories to help us with our learning.



Communication and Language	Sharing ideas, circle time discussions, talking to adults and friends. Talking about our favourite things and why we like them. Listening to each other.
Personal and Social Development	Meeting new people, building new relationships and playing together. Building confidence and getting to know my class and my school. Thinking about where I belong.
Physical Development	Fine and gross motor development using different tools and equipment. Taking part in PE lessons.
Literacy	Learning sounds in phonics. Using different writing tools. Listening to stories.
Mathematics	Recognising numbers and patterns.
Understanding the World	Finding out about school and the people who can help me.
Expressive Arts and Design	Free painting and self portraits. Using construction to build models. Music lessons each week and taking part in role play.



Exploring our new environment and meeting new people.



We will be creating 'Friendship Jars' including all the important ingredients it takes to be a good friend. (We will need lots of empty, clean, plastic jars for this activity so any donations would be very much appreciated.)

OTHER INFORMATION



As part of our topic we would like every child to bring in a 'This is Me' book to share with the class. We look forward to hearing the children share their books with the rest of the class!

Friends are fabulous! Why not create a 'friends and family tree' together out of photos? Use different coloured lines to draw links that represent family, friends or acquaintances. Perhaps invite friends round for a get-together and discuss memories of happy experiences you have shared- we love to hear about these at school too!