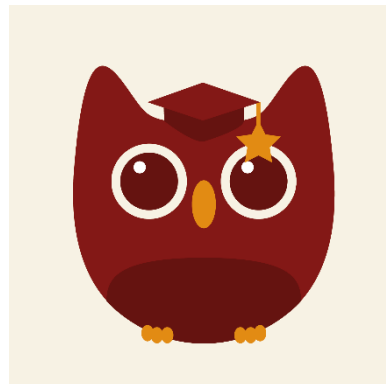


Race Leys Infant School

New Reception Parent Information
13th June 2023

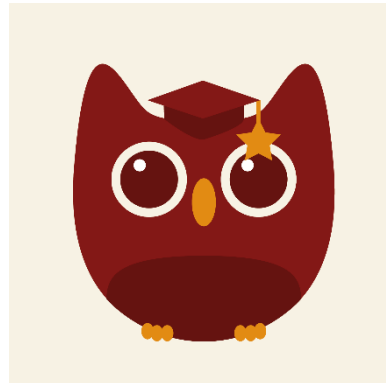


Welcome and
introductions..





‘Learning Together we can
Reach for the Stars’



Our Reception classes

- We have 2 Reception classes.
- School starts at 8.40am and finishes at 3.10pm.
- The whole school has the same start and finish times, but Reception will go into lunch earlier than the rest of school.
- The classes at Race Leys are named after the birds you will find if you walk around the lakes and ponds in Bedworth. The Reception classes are called Gosling and Cygnet.



September

- Friday 1st September – INSET Day
- Week Beginning 4th September:

	am (9 – 11)		pm (1 – 3)	
Monday	No school for this day – Home Visits/Calls for those children we've not met at Nursery Settings.			
Tuesday	Cygnets A	Goslings A	Cygnets B	Goslings B
Wednesday	Cygnets A	Goslings A	Cygnets B	Goslings B
Thursday	Cygnets B	Goslings B	Cygnets A	Goslings A
Friday	Cygnets B	Goslings B	Cygnets A	Goslings A



September

- Week Beginning 11th September:

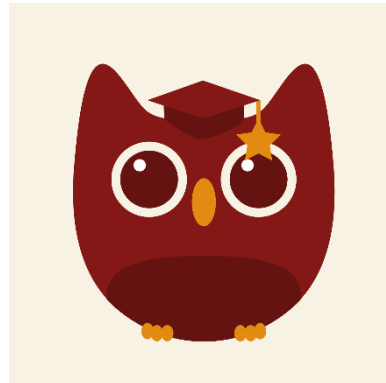
Monday	All children in 9 – 11:00
Tuesday	All children in 9 – 11:30
Wednesday	All children in 9 – 11:30
Thursday	All children in 9 – 12:30 (including lunch)
Friday	All children in 9 – 1:00

- Week Beginning 18th September: Majority of children will be in full time.



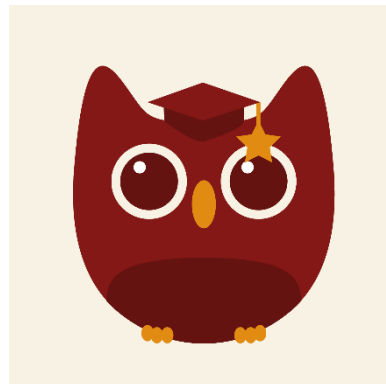
Early Years Foundation Stage

- Reception continue with the same curriculum as Nursery.
- The areas of learning are:
- Communication and Language
- Physical Development
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design



Phonics

- We use Read Write Inc.
- Children learn a sound a day.
- Sounds are sent home to allow parents to support.
- You will also receive links to online phonics videos to support with reading at home.
- We are keen to share how we teach this and how you can help at home so will invite you to a phonics meeting in September.



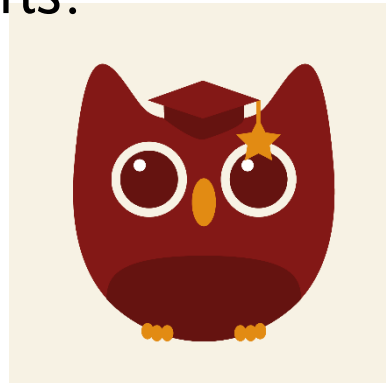
Reading

- Children will have a wordless book at first. This develops story language, prediction and sequencing.
- Children will have a book with words once they have learnt some sounds.
- These books are part of the Read Write Inc scheme so children only meet sounds in the books that they have learnt in their phonics lessons.
- They will also bring home a story book to share with you.



Number

- By the end of the year, we aim for the children to be confident working with numbers to 10.
- This doesn't mean just saying the numbers in order but understanding the numbers thoroughly, such as 8 is the same as double 4.
- Within the year the children will learn to be inquisitive about numbers, shapes and patterns.



Writing

- At the start of the year the children will continue to practice writing their names.
- Alongside their phonics learning, the children will begin to use the sounds in words.
- The children will then orally develop the skills to create captions and sentences before they begin to write them.
- If your child can start to write and recognise their name before they start school, that would be helpful.



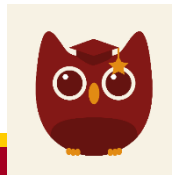
Continuous Provision

- Much of our learning in Reception will be happening in our environment such as construction, STEM, Small World, Role Play, etc. You will see that this learning is all linked around a central theme each half term.
- The children will have access to a range of activities designed to promote independence and active learning for all.
- Children's interests will be included throughout our learning environment.



Uniform

- We have brand new uniform. We have updated our logo to match the school logo. We are also changing the uniform supply that we currently have, meaning that you will be able to purchase your uniform from outside of the school.
- The uniform list is in the school prospectus.
- Your child will also need a school book bag (no rucksacks please) and a drinks bottle.
- PE kits- Plain white t- shirt, black shorts/joggers and pumps/trainers- currently the children wear their kit on PE days.
- PLEASE NAME EVERYTHING!



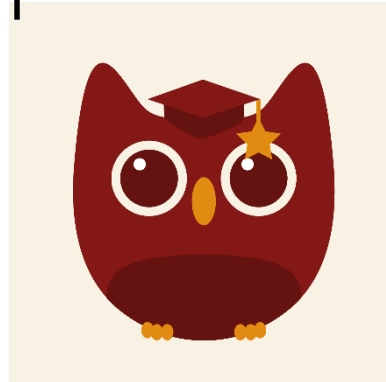
Attendance/Holidays

- Regular attendance helps your child reach their full potential.
- National attendance expectations are 96%.
- Please phone in the morning if your child will be absent, we will then make contact with you over the following days of absence.
- We cannot authorise holidays in term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.



After School Provision

- Staff and external providers usually provide some after-school clubs (well-being, Lego, sports etc). These start in the Spring term for Reception.
- Happy Tykes is our on-site before and after school club- this is not controlled by the school.
- Breakfast club starts at 7.30am and after school club finishes at 6.00pm.
- We also have a book shop on the school site.



Website

**Race Leys Infant
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**Caring
and
Inclusive**

*Our school day now begins
at **8:40am** and ends at **3:10pm**.
Children will be in school for 6hrs 30mins per day.
(Total of 32hrs 30 mins per week)*

*After school clubs will run from
3:10pm - 4:10pm. These will begin on*

[Let's Chat!](#)

School meals

- Every child in school can get a free school meal.
- They will get a choice of a hot or cold meal in the morning and we order their meal. There are three hot options available each day, one of which is a jacket potato.
- Meals are cooked on-site.
- They also get a piece of fruit as a snack every morning.
- We also provide a hot buttered bagel first thing to settle the children.



Pupil Premium

- If you receive any benefits, you are able to apply for Registered Free School Meals. This can be done on the following website:
www.warwickshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals
- This is a payment for the school, which helps us provide extra support in school for your child.
- If you are unsure, please ask Mrs Grant in the school office and we can help you apply for this.



Learning Mentor

- We have a Learning Mentor, Mrs Johnson.
- Mrs Johnson can support families with topics such as sleeping, toileting, behaviour or more specifically with things like housing and parenting courses. Please contact the school office if you would like to speak to Mrs Johnson.
- She will also work with small groups and individuals in school.



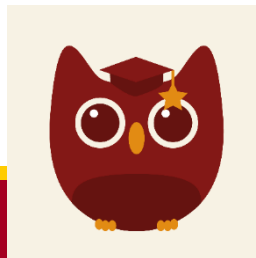
SEN

- Some of our children have additional needs or you may be concerned about their needs or progress.
- Mrs Gurr is our Inclusion Leader.
- Please contact the school office if you would like to speak to Mrs Gurr.



What can I do to help my child prepare for school?

- Sing nursery rhymes
- Read a story to them everyday and talk about books.
- Count every day, both reciting numbers in order and counting small amounts of everyday items.
- Look for numbers in your environment.
- Play games, such as board games, card games, I-Spy.
- Play with things like Lego or playdough to help with hand strength.
- Practise independence, e.g. getting dressed
- Share with them pictures on our website to get them used to the idea of 'big school'.
- Help your child to recognise their own name – if they want to start writing this then that's great.



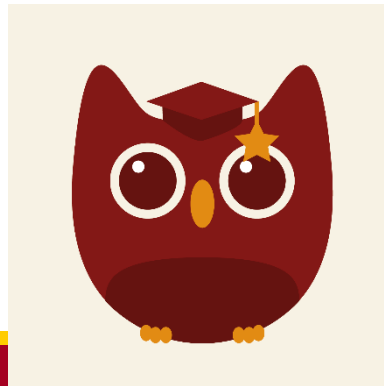
Paperwork

- Please ensure all paperwork is sent back to the school office.
- Please ensure all emergency details are up to date.
- If there is a change to the usual pick up arrangements, please let your child's class teacher or the school office know.



Classes

- We will let you know your child's class following the **induction** day. We are going to see how the children interact as well as using our notes from Nurseries before we put them into their new classes.
- Induction Day is on Wednesday 5th July.



Any questions?



We've now got some time to go and explore the Reception Learning Space and speak to any of the team if you would like to.

