

# Robins Class Newsletter Autumn 2020

**Welcome to Robins class.**



We hope you have all had a lovely summer and are looking forward to the year ahead. As we are unable to present our welcome meeting in the usual way, we wanted to give you some essential information about your child's new class.

First and foremost, we are all here to help you and your child settle back into the new school routines. Although our door can not be physically 'always open' we are always happy to speak to you on the phone or by email if not on the playground.

**Keeping safe:** Robins class will stay together all day. You may hear us talk about being a 'class bubble'. This means being safe with friends from the class and adults during the day. Your child's class teacher will be Mrs Ewen on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Mrs Shaw on a Thursday and Friday. The TAs will remain in the class all week and these are Mrs Webster and Mrs Allen.



To stop people getting ill, everyone has been asked to keep space between themselves and others. You will have heard this being called 'social distancing'. When your children are at school they should try to keep some distance between themselves and others.

When your child gets to school and at regular times during the day, they will have to wash their hands. So will the adults. Washing hands regularly will keep them clean and help us all to stay healthy.

## CATCH IT

Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.



## BIN IT

Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.



## KILL IT

Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as you can.



**The Classroom:** The layout of Robins class has changed a lot. It has been set up to allow the children to be given the freedom to be independent choice-makers. It will encourage your child to be an active learner and take control of their own learning. We call this 'continuous provision'. We will still follow a curriculum map and the topic for this half term is 'All About Me', however, we will also follow the needs and interests of the children to allow them to comfortably transition back on track.

**PE:** During the week your child will have two sessions for PE. These are on **Monday** and **Wednesday**. On these days the children are asked to come to school dressed in their PE kit.



### **Reading:**

Children should be reading to an adult at home in KS1. We recommend reading with your child every day for 10 to 15 minutes. Please make a note of the date, title and the page numbers the child has read in the reading diary.

We will endeavor to get banded reading books sent home as soon as possible but please bear with us while we are settling into our new routines. Please do return books that you have finished with as soon as you can. These will be quarantined for 72 hours before we put them back into circulation. Once the children are settled, we will change reading books on **Tuesdays or Fridays only**.

**Homework:** Homework will be set on a **Friday** and will be due in on the following **Tuesday**. There will be a mixture of work set within books and online.

**Start and end of the day:** As you will already be aware, start times and end times may have changed slightly. This is to make sure that everyone can remain safe within the school community. We are trialing a 'one way' system to get children into the classroom to avoid any unnecessary cross overs between one another. This means your child will **enter the cloakroom through Wrens outside door**. They will be greeted by an adult from Robins class who will help them and also direct them towards the classroom. At the end of the day the children will be **collected from Robins class**. We will ask the children to remain seated on the carpet until an adult comes to collect them and we will then hand them directly over to you. This may take a little longer than usual but will enable us to put faces to names and ensure safety for all. Please let the office know in advance if a different adult will be collecting your child.