



# EYFS Bulletin

## Autumn Term 2020

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### Our Topic

Firstly, welcome to Coleham and to your first EYFS Bulletin. In this letter, we will briefly outline our topics for this and the next half term. During the first half term, our topic will be "All About Me, All About Us". This is a broad topic which allows us to get to know your child and find out what interests and motivates them. During the second half term, our topic will be "Traditional Tales". We will be planning learning around familiar stories such as 'Little Red Riding Hood' and 'Goldilocks and The Three Bears' but we will also be taking our lead from what interests the children. Lessons will contain a careful balance of adult led, adult directed and child initiated activities.

### Settling in

Firstly, thank you all for your support in helping to settle your children into school life at Coleham. Please note that we do recognise how difficult these first few mornings can be but believe me when we say, if your child has been upset in the mornings, it will improve. Whilst we do miss having parents in school, we do recognise the vital skills of independence that the children have shown during this time, and can already see how resilient some of them have become.

### Timings for the first few weeks

As you will all be aware, the children will be in school for mornings only (including lunch) for the second week only. Children should then be collected from the school field at 1.15pm. They will then move to full days from Monday 14th September. Our normal school day ends at 3pm. Please ensure that all child collection arrangements have been communicated to your child's class teacher via the child collection form that was handed out during their induction sessions.

### PE Day

In EYFS P.E will take place on Thursdays. As noted in previous correspondence we would like your child to come to school wearing their PE kit, appropriate to the current weather conditions.

### Woodland Work

Woodland Work sessions will take place for both classes on a Friday. We would really appreciate it if you could send your child in home clothes and trainers on these days. We do go out in all weathers, so please ensure they are not their best clothes and are appropriate for the types of activities you would expect from these sessions. In addition to this we would appreciate it if all children could bring in a labelled waterproof kit and wellies that can be worn on top of their home clothes. Ideally we would like these kits to remain in school until the end of term or before if washing is required.

### Reading Books

Children in Reception begin bringing home reading books in about week 3 of starting school. More information on reading in EYFS will be provided to you in the next couple of weeks, so look out for this via your email and Tapestry accounts.

### Contacting Teachers

Partnership with parents is very important to us in EYFS, and whilst the current situation has created some challenges, we will strive to find creative ways to keep you informed about your child's educational journey. Tapestry is an excellent resource for this, so be sure to check your accounts regularly. If you have any questions or would like to speak to your child's class teacher please send us an email or ring the school office to make an appointment.

Finally, on behalf of everyone in the EYFS team we would like to say welcome to Coleham. We are really excited to be working with you all to support your children this year in reception.

Many thanks,

Miss Harris and Miss Melville