

Edition 1

Welcome to the Autumn edition of the EYFS newsletter. You will receive a EYFS newsletter at the start of every half term. This half term our topics are 'Me and My Home' and 'Exploring Autumn'. Both of these have a big focus on making friends, sharing and our wider community.

Welcome to your first year at Moorgate!

During your first term we will be leaning new skills around building friendships, sharing and taking turns. The children will be finding out about our school community as well as their communities at home.

Extra homework project: It would be great if you could make your very own family portrait or home model. This could be a picture, painting, collage or anything creative you can think of. We would love to have these in our classroom for discussion by Monday 23rd October!

Reading

We read with the children every day in school so we also ask you to read every day at home. Please ensure that diaries and books are brought into school each day.

Don't forget to attend the Early Reading Workshop on Tuesday 3rd October at 3:30pm.



Snack

In EYFS, children get free fruit daily which we eat during our class snack time.

We also provide a milk carton for each child up until they are 5 years of age.

Children are encouraged to bring a bottle of water with them to school, however we do provide a jug of water at our snack table.



PE

Class A PE day is on a Friday.

Class B PE day is a Thursday.

For the first few weeks we will be going to the hall in our uniforms to play some games.

Towards the end of term we will be expecting children to start getting changed into their kits.

So that the children get plenty of time during their session please have a go at practising getting changed independently at home.

Please ensure kits are in school on a Monday, they can then be left in school for the half term.

Children need black or navy shorts and a white t-shirt for indoor P.E. They will need to be **labelled** with their names so that they do not get mixed up with other children's clothes (including shoes).

As the nights are beginning to draw in and the weather is a little colder and wetter, please make sure that your child brings a coat, hat and gloves to school each day when needed. We also ask that you bring a pair of wellies for your child to use in school as our outdoor area is open in all weather conditions. If the weather is hot and sunny, please make sure your child has got a sun hat and comes to school with sun cream already applied.

Please ensure that all of your child's belongings are labelled with their name to avoid anything being lost.



Homework

Homework will be given out each Monday and will be stuck into homework books. Children will have one piece of Maths and one piece of Phonics homework each week which will revise the content taught in school the previous week.

Reading at home will continue to be a priority as part of the homework package. Please read with your child each day at home and record this in their reading diary.

Books will be changed on a Monday and Thursday.

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Additional Homework Ideas:

- Log in to Oxford Owl at home to support with Phonics
Log in: moorgatereception
Password: Moorgate
 - Practise writing a number line to 5. Be creative and use chalks outside or paints in the bath!
- Practise writing your name and your known phonics sounds.

Please also see our website for a range of ideas for learning at home.

USEFUL WEBSITES:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/reading-owl/phonics-made-easy/>

<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/moorgate-b79>