

Things in school

The only things your child needs to bring into school are a named book bag, PE bag (on a Monday) and a lunchbox if your child is a packed lunch. Children do not need a drinks bottle, only a drink in their lunch box if they are packed lunch. Every child has a labelled school bottle in their classroom.. They do not need backpacks or any toys bought to school, please leave these at home.



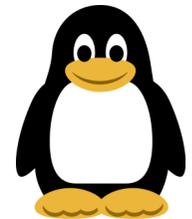
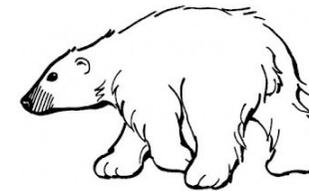
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Lanesend Primary School Reception Handbook 2021



Welcome to Reception

The children have adapted remarkably to Team Lanesend over the last few days. We are extremely proud of their determination and enthusiasm towards school life and are already exhibiting a Love of Learning.



Sea Otter, Polar bear and Penguin
classes

Class Teachers

Miss Wren, Mrs Domoney and Mrs Hinkley

Keyworkers

Mrs Gadsby, Mrs Garrett and Mrs McBride

Routines

Class routines

This year, our classes are named after Polar animals to tie in with our autumn curriculum focus, 'Pole to Pole'. Miss Wren's class is called Sea Otter, Mrs Hinkley's class is named Penguin and Mrs Domoney's class is named Polar Bear.

Although the children are registered in separate classes, they will be taught by all teachers, in both classes and smaller groups. They will also have Discovery Time across the whole indoor and outdoor environment. Each child has been assigned a Key Person to support their Personal, Social and Emotional Development. Evidence of their learning will be recorded on Tapestry through observations, photos and videos. If you are not linked to Tapestry yet, we can help you set it up.

As a Newly Qualified Teacher, Mrs Domoney will be receiving 20% PPA (planning, preparation and Assessment) time. During this time, the children will be taught by Miss Wren and Mrs Hinkley focusing on Topic and Trickbox skills. The team will also cover each other for courses. We will endeavour to let you know dates for these, if they arise, in advance.

In the morning, all of the children will come into school from **8.20am - 8.40am** through Miss Wren's external door and will be welcomed by one of the Reception teachers. The rest of the team will be supporting the children inside to ensure that they are settled and ready for the start of the day. At the end of the day the children will be collected at **2.30pm**. Sea Otter and Penguin class will be collected from Miss Wren's external door and Polar Bear class will be collected from Mrs Domoney's external door.

Thank you for taking the time to read this information. Every child's development and happiness is extremely important to us. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to let us know, so that we can support and resolve them together.

The school telephone number is **01983 293233**. We are all contactable on **Dojo** and our email addresses are

Miss Wren - tabitha.wren@lanesendpri.iow.sch.uk

Mrs Domoney - nicky.domoney@lanesendpri.iow.sch.uk

Mrs Hinkley - gemma.hinkley@lanesendpri.iow.sch.uk

Kind regards,

Miss Wren, Mrs Domoney, Mrs Hinkley, Mrs Gadsby,
Mrs McBride and Mrs Garrett



Performances

This year the children will be putting on a performance within their classes.

Polar Bear Class will be celebrating the Winter Equinox on **17th December 2021**.

Penguin Class will be celebrating the Spring Equinox on **18th March 2022**.

Sea Otter class will be celebrating the Summer Equinox on **21st June 2022**.

We hope that we are able to invite families along to watch their child in these performances and will share timings in due course.

Throughout the academic year, the children's learning will be based around a single curriculum focus per term as well as their individual interests. We will be sending home a topic jigsaw at the start of every term.

Autumn Term

Pole to Pole - We will explore the Antarctic and the Arctic regions and the habitats and origins surrounding the poles. We will be getting to know each other and establishing class relationships and routines. We will also cover the Reception content of the Relationships and Health Education curriculum.



Spring Term

If you go down to the woods today - We will be exploring the celebration of the Woodland Trust 50 year anniversary.



Summer Term

Put another brick in the wall - We will look at the building of Hadrian's Wall and British History at that time.



Communication

Newsletter

The school newsletter will be emailed to you on a Thursday and is available via Class Dojo. If you are not receiving these, then please let the office know so that they can check that they have the correct email address as all letters are emailed home. The newsletter will provide lots of key information regarding school life. Our school website and Facebook page are also updated regularly.



Class Dojo

We use Class Dojo to share updates on whole class activities and to send important reminders and messages. You can also use this to message us. If you have an urgent message for us, please contact the school office as we do not check Dojo messages during teaching hours.



Tapestry

Tapestry is where you will find your child's online learning journal. The team will regularly post observations on your child's learning and you will be able to view these at home as well. Let us know if you need any help accessing this. We love to see all the things that your child is doing with you at home so any contributions you and your family are able to add to their journal are much appreciated.



Curriculum

Reading

It is very important that children develop a love of reading and we encourage you to support your child in this. Every child will have their own reading record which will be sent home daily in their book bag. This book is for you and your child to use and please keep a record of reading at home and in school. Reading does not have to be their school reading book. It can be a favourite story book, an information book, comic or magazine. Children will begin by taking home familiar stories or picture books, followed by decodable phonic books that correspond to the sounds they are learning. The children will also have access to Reading Eggs, an online platform for accessing additional reading opportunities. You will receive a personalised log in for Reading Eggs this half term. In addition to this, Mrs Domoney will be setting a weekly reading challenge every Monday on Class Dojo which will be due in any time on Thursday. This is celebrated in school every Friday.



Maths

We follow the White Rose scheme of work and cover Maths daily through adult led sessions and provision found in every classroom. Mrs Hinkley will be setting a Maths home learning challenge every Friday on Class Dojo which will be due in for the following Monday. Please share feedback photographs or videos linked to the learning challenge on Tapestry.



Phonics

We teach phonic skills daily following the Letters and Sounds scheme. We will send phonic cards home once the children have covered them in class and it is really important that they practise these as much as possible. Children also receive a new set of Common Exception Word cards linked to the phonic phase they are working in and need to learn these by sight. Families often like to hunt for these in stories or play pair games with them. We will be holding a meeting on the **16th September at 4pm** to discuss how we teach phonic skills in school and how you can support this further at home.

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P.E

P.E will be every Monday. Please make sure that your child has their named P.E kit and all ear studs and other jewellery has been removed. P.E kits will be sent home to wash after every P.E lesson. If you could make sure that everything brought into school is named including shoes, this would be greatly appreciated. Things do get muddled so we would love to return things to their owners.

