



# Reception Round Up - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023



**Well done to all Reception children on completing their first week at school! You have been amazing!**

**We are SO proud of how well the children have started school this week! They have listened carefully to the routines and instructions and we have really enjoyed showing them around and getting to know them. What super stars!**

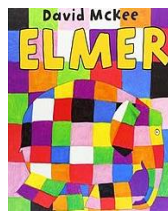
## **Maths:**

Next week in Maths, the children will be learning about **matching and sorting** objects. We will be encouraging them to explain their reasoning and understanding.

## **Phonics:**

Next week in Phonics, the children will be focusing **on developing their speaking and listening skills** as well as thinking about environmental sounds, instrumental sounds, making body percussion (e.g. clapping and stamping), rhythm and rhyme and the sounds we can make with our voices. By securing these skills, children are more likely to be able to hear the individual sounds in words, which mean children find it much easier to spell and blend sounds when reading and writing.

## **Topic:**



Next week our theme will be **'Elmer'** the patchwork elephant.

We will be learning about colour, being unique, story sequencing and making a fabulous Elmer of our own!

Phonics, PSED, Music, SMSC, Wonderful Wellies, P.E. and Singing sessions all begin too!

## **How You Can Help At Home:**

- Share a book and read with your child every night.
- Chat with your child about their day school.

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## **Other Information and Notices:**

### **Timings for next week:**

Most children are starting full-time next week. In the mornings, the gate opens at 8:45am and closes at 8:55am. Please say goodbye to your child at the top gate, where Mrs Nicol stands. Staff will be on the playground to greet the children as they walk down to where their class line up. At home time, the gate opens at 2:55pm and you can come onto to playground to collect your child.

### **P.E:**

Cherry Class will have P.E. on Thursdays and Fridays.

Willow Class will have P.E. on Tuesdays and Fridays.

P.E. will start week next week! The children are allowed to wear any colour trainers and must wear their school jumper or cardigan.

### **Bookbags:**

Letters and any crafts will be put in your child's bookbags so please check these **each night**. If you have any **letters or slips** to return to school/get to us then please do not put these in the bookbag, please give them directly to Mrs Nicol on the gate in the mornings.

### **Reading Packets:**

Reading Packets will be given out on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September. Inside will be a wordless reading book to begin with. Please make sure these packets are in your child's bookbag each day, ready to read with us at anytime.

### **Online Portal:**

This year, we are going to use 'Seesaw' as an online platform for you to use so you can see some of the things that the children are getting up to at school. We will be sending out more details about this in the next few weeks.

### **Spare clothes and wellies:**

All children need to bring a pair of Wellies and a named bag with spare clothes in to leave in school.

### **Toast:**

Please make sure you pay for your child's toast on <https://eduspot.co.uk/>

If you have any problems using the payment system, please telephone or email the office on 01926 491433 or admin2332@welearn365.com

### **Milk:**

If you haven't already done so, please register for 'Cool Milk' if your child would like milk. From their 5<sup>th</sup> birthday you will have to pay for them to have milk.

### **Birthdays:**

We have a special Birthday tradition at Emscote! The children are allowed to wear their own clothes to school on their birthday. It means that everyone can wish them a Happy Birthday! If your child's birthday is at the weekend or during a holiday then they can wear their own clothes on the nearest Monday/Friday.

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you next week!  
Miss Stanley, Mrs Vallins and the Reception Team.

P.S. Please name everything!