



# Reception Newsletter

## Autumn 2019

### Welcome to Reception!

*As-salamu alaykum (Peace Be Upon You)*

Welcome to a year filled with lots of fantastic learning at the Olive School! We hope you have had a relaxing summer and that your child is ready to explore Reception! This newsletter has important information as well as key information you need to know for the upcoming term.

### Meet the Team!

Class Name	Class Teacher	Learning Coach
Ibn Zubayr	Ms Pektekin	Miss Shamsi
Ibn Umar	Ms Mamodo	Ms Chowdhury
Bint Muhammad	Mrs Begum	Ms Sabrina

#### PE

Children will be taking part in PE lessons once a week with a sports coach starting on Monday 30th September 2019. Children are expected to wear a white t shirt with the Olive School logo, black shorts and black plimsolls.

The following are the days of your child's PE session:

Ibn Zubayr—Tuesday

Ibn Umar—Tuesday

Bint Muhammad— Friday

#### Uniform

Children are expected to come to school wearing full school uniform. This includes grey trousers, black leggings, purple/grey tartan pinafore, the olive school polo shirt, purple cardigan/sweatshirt, grey socks/tights and black school shoes- No trainers. If girls choose to wear hijab, this must also be black.

#### Reminders

Please provide a set of spare clothes for your child to keep in school.

#### Homework & Home readers

English and Maths homework will be given to your child every Friday starting from Friday 28th October 2019.

Children will also receive a reading book and a reading record, which they are expected to read with you at home. Please leave a comment in the reading record on a daily basis to inform the teachers of your child's progress.

Homework books should be returned the following Wednesday. Reading books and reading record need to be brought to school on a daily basis .



## Topics for this term

The Early Years Foundation Stage consists of 7 areas of learning (See Below). The theme this half term is 'I am Special'.

Area of Learning and Development	Aspect
<b>Prime Areas</b>	
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Making relationships
	Self-confidence and self-awareness
	Managing feelings and behaviour
Physical Development	Moving and handling
	Health and self-care
Communication and Language	Listening and attention
	Understanding
	Speaking
<b>Specific Areas</b>	
Literacy	Reading
	Writing
Mathematics	Numbers
	Shape, Space and measure
Understanding the World	People and communities
	The world
	Technology
Expressive Arts and Design	Exploring and using media and materials
	Being imaginative

### Literacy: Autumn 1

This half term, our topic is 'I am Special'. Children will also be given opportunities to talk about themselves and their loved ones and take part in relevant activities.



### Literacy: Autumn 2

In the second half term, we will be learning about the people in our community who help us, such as the dentist, firefighters and the postal service. We will also be learning about seasonal change where we will focus on books such as 'My Mum', 'The Little Red Hen', 'Oliver's Vegetables' and 'Charlie and the Crow'.



It is really important that all the children in reception are happy! If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to come and ask us at the end of the day.

Kind regards,

The Reception Team.