

Communication with class teachers

We value the communication between **parents and teachers.**

If you have any queries or questions about your child's learning please come and speak to any of the early years staff or EYFS Achievement leader Ms Pericleous. Teachers are available for short enquiries in the morning and after school.

If you would like to book a meeting with the class teacher you can do that by calling the school office.

Maths

It would be very helpful for you to encourage your children to engage in every day maths for example; count items in shopping baskets, recognise family ages and birthdays and look for numbers in the environment. Everyday maths is a great way for your children to develop mathematical skills.

Important dates

07/01/19 The Wizard of Oz Panto

31/03/19 Photographers whole school

05/03/19 World book day

Special weeks

Special weeks have begun in Reception and will continue in the spring term. The children will have at least two special weeks throughout their time in Reception.

It is an exciting time for your child! We are hoping you will be very involved in their Special Week and learning journey. You will be invited to take photos at home, come into class, tell us all about your child's interests and share their special book. You will be given detailed information about this process on the Friday before your child's Special Week in a letter.

When the weeks are finished we invite parents in to meet with us to discuss their children's learning and future targets. Please ensure that you attend these meetings as they are vital in understanding your child's learning and what support you can give at home.

Curriculum Newsletter

Reception: Spring Term

Plants, Growing and Gardening

Clothing

Please dress your child in suitable clothing for the weather on that day. For example: on cold days they will need warm clothes, gloves, hat and scarf; on hot days, a sun hat.

At all times, please make sure your child is wearing sensible, well fitting shoes which they can take on and off, do up by themselves and which are suitable for running and climbing safely.

Please remember to bring **a bag with a full set of spare clothes** in for your child to change into if they should need to. **Please label everything with your child's name.**



Garfield Primary School



Phonics/Reading

Home Reading

As you will have noticed, the children are now bringing home levelled reading books. We always read with your child on their reading day and ask you to practice the book every day. It is really helpful if you comment about their progress in the orange reading diary or sign it so we know how often they are reading.

Phonics

Our phonics program Letters and Sounds is under way. Each week we learn a new tricky word, four new sounds and we also apply our knowledge by practising to blend to read and segment to spell. Please make sure you practise the children's sound cards everyday.

If you have any questions regarding how to read with your child do not hesitate to ask your child's teacher.