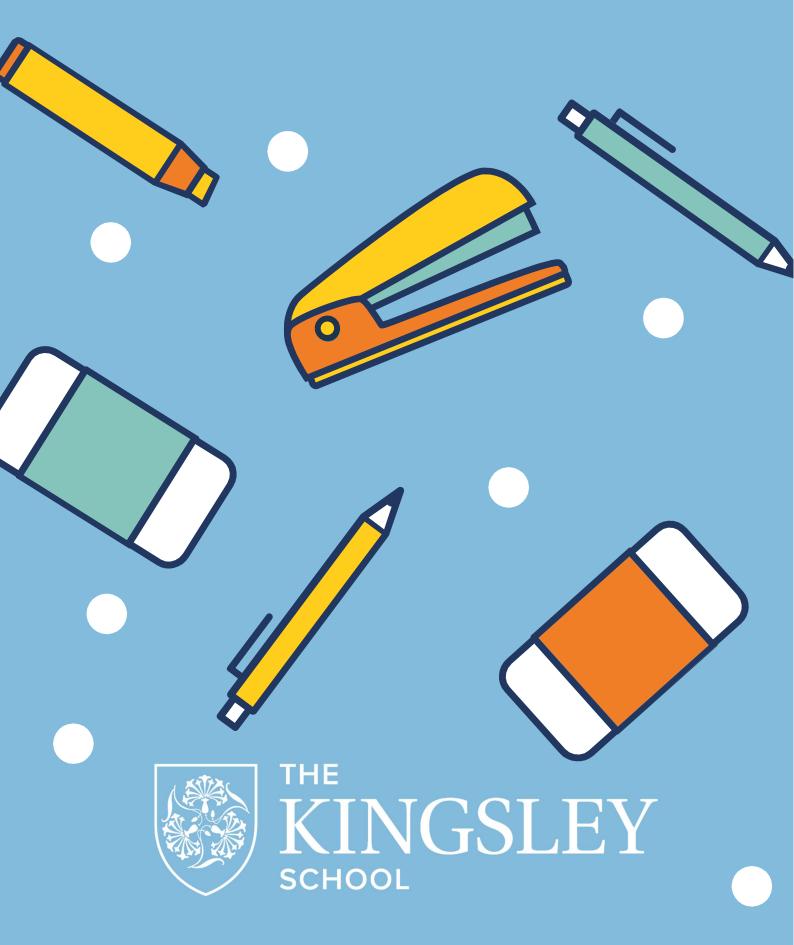
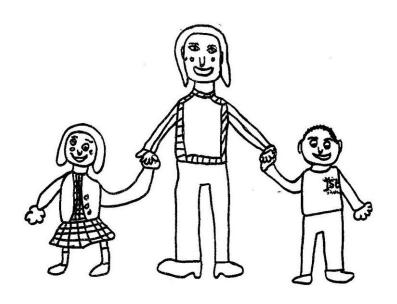
EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT RECEPTION







INTRODUCTION

This booklet is for you and your family. It tells you all about the different things that happen at School. We hope that you enjoy looking through it, and look forward to seeing you soon when you start school.

In Reception we have a lot of exciting lessons inside and outside of the classroom. We like to learn by having fun and enjoying our learning through our continuous provision and our set lessons. We have at least one trip per term. We will keep these a surprise for now!



WHAT WILL WE BE LEARNING ABOUT?

Some of the topics we will be learning about this year will be:





YOUR THINGS

You will have your own coat peg with your name on it. You can hang your coat and bag here.

You will have drawer with your name on for you to put your things in together with your book bag and special pieces of work. Letters for home will go in your bag.

WHAT DO WE NEED?





SWIMMING

Every Wednesday morning Reception will go to Newbold Comyn Swimming Pool for swimming lessons. We all wear arm bands during our swimming lessons and they will be provided for you as well as floats, woggles and lots of lovely toys too!

WHAT DO WE NEED?











ARRIVING IN THE MORNING

When you come to school you will wait in the playground until the bell goes. Your teacher will be in the classroom from 8:00am if you wish to talk to her. A bell will go at 8:35am and you will line up with the rest of your class outside your classroom.



READING AND HOMEWORK

In Reception you will have a lovely book to take home and read with your family every week.

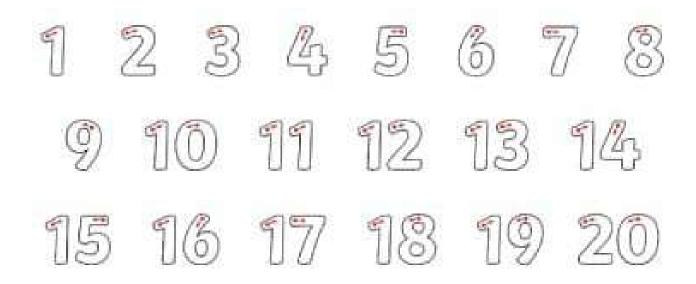
At the Kingsley School we follow a phonics scheme called Jolly Phonics. Every day we learn new phonemes from letters to digraphs along with their letter formation. The children will be learning how to blend and segment in order to be a fluent reader and writer.

On a Monday, each child will be sent home a Jolly Phonics book to share with you. This will include; our sounds of the week, words we will be segmenting and tricky words. This is for you to know where your child is in their learning and to help reinforce this learning at home. For homework, the children can practice the sound, have a go at drawing anything using that sound and cut out any pictures from a magazine or print pictures.

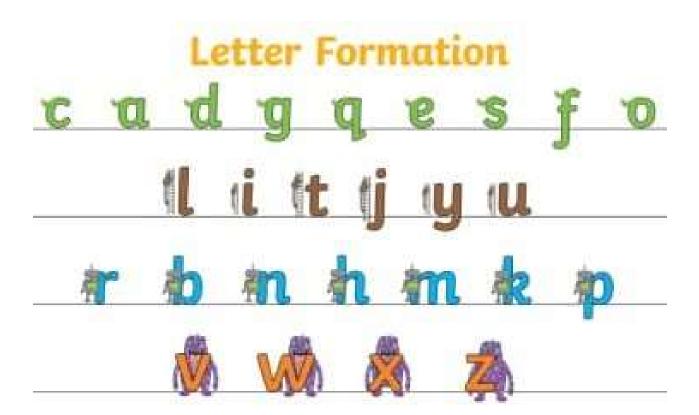


At school we will do lots of mathematical activities. You will do lots of exciting things, such as measuring, weighing, looking at shapes, making models, following directions and using the interactive board, the iPads and lots of other fun toys.

This is how we write our numbers:



And this is how we write our letters:



WHAT DO WE WEAR?

All uniform should have your name in them, including socks and shoes. Spare: it is always good to have spare pants and socks at school with you just in case!











WHAT DO WE EAT?



Children should bring in their own healthy snack to enjoy at morning break time. Milk will be provided for Preschool and Reception classes. Children will need to bring a clear water bottle which they can refill in their classroom.

Each week, your child will be given all the options available for lunch for them to choose from. They will be encouraged to try a variety of foods and they will have fun eating with their friends in the dining room. You can check on the school website for the lunch menu each week:

www.thekingsleyschool.co.uk/lunch-menus

FOREST SCHOOL

Once a week, we spend the day at Forest School. We learn about nature and use our senses to discover sights, smells, sounds and textures.

Learning how to tie knots, use tools to chop and saw wood, build dens, make potions and cook by the campfire are just some of the amazing experiences we have!



You will need...

Wet weather:

- All-in-one waterproof suit
- Layers joggers, long-sleeved t-shirt, jumper/hoodie
- Walking boots/wellies
- · Gloves, hat, scarf

Warm weather:

- Long navy leggings
- Long-sleeved navy or white t-shirt
- Sunhat/cap
- Sun cream

*Forest School clothing does not have to have the school logo on it, but should be navy as far as possible.



SCHOOL HOUSES AND REWARDS

There are four school houses:



Your child will be given a house to be a member of for house competitions. There are plenty of opportunities to get together with your house and have fun all together, such as Whole school house quizzes and sports day.



In school we earn points based on our Early Years Characteristics of effective learning on Class dojo. This is used to encourage children to have a go, being kind and helpful, having their own ideas and keep trying

Playing and Exploring – Engagement

- · Finding out and exploring
- Playing with what they know
- · Being willing to 'have a go'

Active Learning – Motivation

- Being involved and concentrating
- Keeping trying
- Enjoying achieving what they set out to do

Creating and Thinking Critically

- Thinking

- · Having their own ideas
- Making links
- · Choosing ways to do things

EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Enrichment activities are built into the timetable at 3.20pm every day of the week, except on Fridays. There is a whole programme of activities and clubs to choose and join, which will change throughout the year. You might like to continue with some familiar activities, or this could be an opportunity to try a new activity and meet new friends!



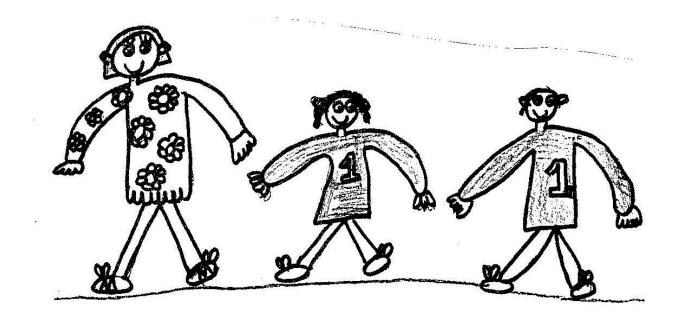
Cookery, Yoga, First aid, Board and Card Games, Lego and Makaton Signing.











Remember, when you come to school you will learn lots of new things and have lots of fun with your teachers and your new friends.

We hope this booklet has helped you and your family to know what will happen when you start school.





