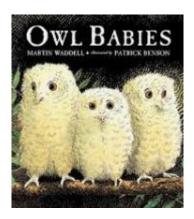
Friday 13th September 2019



## Welcome everyone!

We have had such a wonderful first few weeks at school and it has been fantastic to get to know all of the children and families. We have really enjoyed spending time with you all on the home visits, thank you all for being so welcoming.

This week we have been focusing on the book 'Elmer' and we have been talking about the different ways that we are all special, just like Elmer!

Next week our book will be Owl Babies. We will be using this book to talk about our different families.

Our activities will involve drawing our family and counting the correct number of owls into the nest.

We will be continuing to listen to sounds in our environment and play sound games to begin to get us ready for phonics sessions.

In our 'Numbers and Patterns' sessions this week we will explore the numbers 3,4 and 5.

We have one more week of just mornings (9-12) and then as of the 23<sup>rd</sup> September we will be full time at school.



Please remember to bring in a named water bottle every day for your child.

Please ensure that all items of clothing and PE kit is clearly labelled.

Vocabulary for the week...
Owl, baby, nest, home, family, mum, dad,
brother, sister



To help us with our Owl Activities we would love the children to bring into school some of the following items;

Leaves, sticks and grass and anything else that you might need to make your owl a nest!

and

An egg cartoon to make your very own owl!



Today each child will have taken home a book of interest from school to enjoy over the weekend. Please enjoy sharing this together. We will send books of interest home each week and change them on a Friday. We will begin to send some reading books home after the half term!



We are so impressed with how the children are coming into the classroom so independently! We recommend that you leave your child at the steps (if in Bambi class) and the ramp (if in Fawn class) to help keep our entrance to the building clear.

At collection after school please can parents for Bambi Class line up at the steps and parents for Fawn Class line up by the ramp to help with dismissing the children from each class.



In Reception we love junk modelling!!

Please bring in all of your cardboard boxes, yoghurt pots and anything else that you think we could make into something wonderful!

## Parent message.... Reception 2019 Whatsapp Group

Parents in earlier years have found Whatsapp a convenient way to share information, ask questions, locate missing uniform, arrange social events, etc. If you would like to be added to the Reception 2019 Whatsapp group, please follow this link using your phone:

https://chat.whatsapp.com/JZ13RRw4luo0oH6yEEpFTU

If you have difficulty joining via the link please message Henna (Saphina's mum) on 07941 022 799.



Each week we will ask the children to complete a 'Home Challenge' although there is no expectation to do this it is really lovely for everyone to get involved as we will discuss it in class.

We have sent 'Home Challenge' books home today, please feel free to do the Home Challenge in this book or to use this book to share any activities or adventures that you have had over the weekend.

This week our Home Challenge is - Tell us about you! You can use pictures or writing to tell us all about yourself, your family and the things that you like and dislike!



