

Wyke Regis Primary Federation

Inspiring Hearts and Minds

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, we would like to welcome your child to Foundation Stage 1. Your child's first year at school is important, and we hope to make it an enjoyable and exciting experience that fosters their love of learning!

Foundation Stage 1 (FS1) is run by two experienced teachers. Mrs V works Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Mrs Horn works Thursday and Friday. The teachers are excellently supported by three teaching assistants who are also very knowledgeable, experienced and approachable.

In FS1 children are allocated Key Workers. Their role is to ensure that your child's individual needs are met and that they are happy and settled at school. They will support you in guiding your child's development at home as well as observing and monitoring their development within school. This role will be shared amongst the FS1 staff and your child's key worker will make themselves known to you after the first few weeks. Each of the key workers will be supported by one of the class teachers, who will be responsible for parent consultations and for overseeing your child's progress. Our first parent consultation will take place in the Autumn term. More information will follow nearer the time.

We use an E-Learning journey called Tapestry. This will allow you the opportunity to see what your child is learning at school and to tell us what they have been learning at home. We would appreciate it if you could like or comment on our posts so that we know who is receiving them and if they are useful!

Our topic this term is 'Knowing me, knowing you!' We will be introducing the Nursery library soon and you will be able to borrow books to take home. Please look after them and make sure they come back to school in the same condition they went home, thank you.

After a week of induction (see enclosed letter) from 12th September, the children will attend their regular sessions and lunch club will begin. Please drop off and collect your child from the Shrubbery Lane entrance. At the end of each session the children wait to be seen out safely. One adult will stand by the door calling children one at a time. Please be patient if this takes a little while at first until we get to know everyone. If somebody else is going to collect your child, please let us know at the start of the session.

We provide a piece of fruit and a drink of milk or water every session and from time to time we do cooking activities so please make sure you have informed us of any allergies.

Please make sure that your child isn't dressed in their finest clothes as we often do messy activities, and ensure that all lunch boxes, bags, coats etc are labelled as the children can't always be relied upon to recognise their own things!

If you have any questions or concerns, please come in and speak to your child's key worker or teacher at the end of the day. We look forward to an exciting year together!

Yours faithfully,

Mrs V, Mrs Horn and the FS1 team