

Hazelbury Primary School

Reception News Autumn One



Welcome to the new academic year! We are all really excited and looking forward to what the first term has in store for us!

This half term our topic will be *‘What is important about me and my world?’* with a focus on our similarities and differences, what are strengths are and developing a growth mindset. This will help us get to know each other and exploring what makes us individual and unique. We will also be discussing things that we like and dislike and learning about different types of families. In the outdoor learning environment we will be learning about how to look after our school property and how the new resources are used, whilst learning what the rules and values are and how to keep safe. We do go out whatever the weather so please ensure your children come to school with appropriate clothing for outside, e.g. raincoat. We are also fortunate enough to be going to Role2Play in October to develop our communication and language skills through engaging in role-play linked to our current topic!

Celebrating Achievements:

Every half-term each class will share a photograph of learning that has taken place in their classrooms in order for us to celebrate the children’s achievements. They have all done amazingly well with settling in and getting used to the new routines and staff! We are very proud!



Why Not Try This at Home?!

To continue with the topic at home and to support your child's transition into Reception you could read the following stories together and discuss them:

- 'The Colour Monster' by Anna Llenas
- 'Meesha Makes Friends' by Tom Percival
- 'The Kissing Hand' by Audrey Penn

You may also like to create a family tree together and talk about who is in their family, and even have a go at writing a label for each family member. You could also have a look at some artists who created self-portraits, such as Picasso and Vincent Van Gogh, and have a go at creating your own self-portrait in their style.

Please reinforce the Makaton signs learnt so far, and don't forget to add any photos to Tapestry!

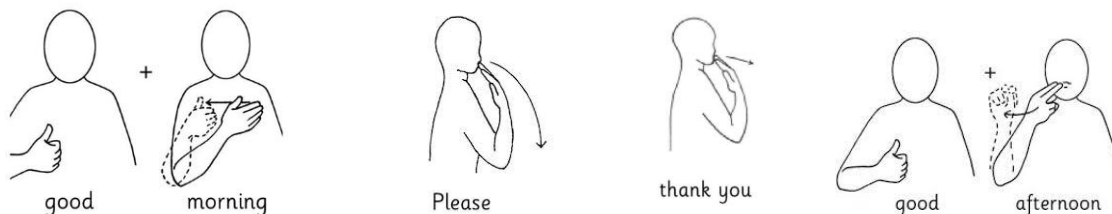
Top Tips for Talking:

Talk to your child when playing together: explain what you are doing and think aloud.

Get into their zone: talk about what they are looking at or playing with – they will learn new language faster this way, be descriptive and adventurous with language.

Makaton Signs:

Please see this month's signs and practise these with your child at home.



Key Info:

The children will be outside learning whatever the weather so please send your child to school with appropriate clothing for the season. Children can wear wellington boots to school as long as they also bring their school shoes to change into once in class. They can also put these on to go outside if it is wet. Please also send spare clothes in with your child to leave in their locker in case of a toileting accident and a water bottle with their name clearly labelled on it.

21st September – Tapestry Meeting Silver Birch Hall 9:00am

26th September – Individual Photographs Silver Birch Hall

28th September – Reception Parent Meeting: Phonics and Chromebooks 9:00am & 3:00pm

29th September – MacMillan Coffee Morning 8:45 – Silver Birch Hall

29th September – Family Friday 2:30pm

6th October – Dress up in traditional clothing

17th October – Parent Consultations

WB 16th October – Visits to Role2Play

Where Can You Find Us?

If you would like to keep up to date with what is happening within school then you can find us using the apps and website below.



Instagram Username:
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School Website:
www.hazelbury-primary-school.co.uk