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Dear Parents/Carers of children in the Reception classes

What a fantastic start the children have made! They have settled in well and are busy learning their new classroom routines and getting to know their new class friends.

We would like to take this opportunity to let you know some more day to day details.

### **UNIFORM**

Please can you ensure your child is wearing the correct school uniform and that clothing is clearly labelled with names. Please note in the interests of safety only stud earrings maybe be worn and no necklaces or rings.

Children will need a PE kit in school comprising of an Academy PE T-shirt, shorts and plimsolls. Academy PE T-shirts are available from Harrisons School Wear in Great Yarmouth (hschoolwear.co.uk) or Screens School Wear in Lowestoft (www.screensschoolwear.co.uk).

#### **READING**

We would like to invite you to a meeting on **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September at 2.00pm** where we will share information about the ways in which we teach children to learn to read. In the meantime, each class has a box of books outside the door for you to take a book to share at home. You can change the book as frequently as you wish. We fully encourage sharing and talking about stories together and reading to your child. This is an invaluable way that you can support their Literacy, Language and Communication development.

#### HOME LEARNING

Home learning in Reception will begin in a few weeks' time. Every Friday we will send home an overview of the week's learning and give you a few fun activities that your child can complete with your support. We will provide an exercise book for you to do the home learning in and this should be returned to school by the following Thursday.





## **LUNCHES**

Starting from Monday you will be able to help your child select their lunch by placing their name into the correct box as they arrive to the classroom. We feel that this is a good system to help children choose the food they will enjoy eating. Could we also ask that you continue to support your child with learning how to use a knife and fork. Lunchtime staff do all they can to help with this but the more that children can do by themselves the better.

Many thanks and if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to come and ask!

Kind regards

Mrs K Rutherford Principal