



We are sorry for cancelling the picnic this week; we know how much the children were looking forward to it. We have included some of the information we were going to share with you on here.

In our learning next week...

We will be continuing to learn the new routines and expectations, within the classroom and around the school.

In Literacy, we will be using a book called 'What makes me a ME?'. The children will be thinking about how they are the same and different to others, including how their likes and dislikes differ.

In Maths, we will be learning to subitise with numbers to 3: recognising how many objects are in a set without counting.

We will be starting our PSHE lessons: our first session is also linked to our theme of similarities and differences.

Reading and Phonics

We follow the *Little Wandle* Phonics Scheme. Our phonics sessions will be starting next week. The children will learn 4 phonemes a week, starting with: s, a, t and p.

The children will have their books changed every Thursday. We will issue two new books and we expect these to be read at least 3 times each. In the coming weeks, you will receive a bookmark to help you understand the purpose of each read.

We will also issue gold stars to those children who read 5 times.

Key Dates

Friday 23rd September

Moonlit Night Walk

Tuesday 27th September

2:30pm Early Maths Workshop for Parents

Tuesday 11th October

2:15pm— Reception Phonics Workshop

2:30—Stay & Share in the Classroom

Friday 21st October

End of Term

School Website

Our school website has a wealth of information for you to easily access.

<https://cobham.kent.sch.uk/>

Lunch

Please ensure you have selected your child's school lunch in advance.

If your child is having a packed lunch, it is really useful to have a separate drink for lunchtime, as we do not take the children's water bottles to the hall.

Wellington Boots

Just a reminder that the children will all need a pair of named wellington boots in school, especially as we are starting to see more rain!

Reception Baseline Assessments

We will be starting the statutory baseline assessments next week. Please see the attachment on this email with more information.

Tapestry

We have already started to add some observations onto Tapestry. You should have your account set up to access these but if you need any help activating your account, please let us know.

Punctuality

Our door is open from 8:45am. This time allows the children to come in, put their belongings away and complete morning activities. Registration is at 9am; if you arrive after this time, this will go down as late.

Naming Items

Please ensure all items that come to school are clearly named. It would be really useful if you could add a keyring or something familiar to your child's book bag to help them to recognise it easily.

Coats

The children must have a coat every day. We use our outside area daily and therefore it is essential they have a coat in school.

Water Bottles

Please bring a named water bottle to school every day. **Please fill with only water! Do not put bottles into bags as they sometimes leak on the books.**