

Reception
Class newsletter
Autumn Term 1 -2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Reception!

We hope that you have all had a wonderful summer and are eager to see your children start a new chapter in Reception. We are very much looking forward to getting to know them all over the coming weeks and to welcome back those that were with us last year.

PE

Indoor PE is on a **Friday** and outdoor PE is on a **Thursday** weekly. Children can come to school wearing their PE kit. Thursday PE is outdoors so please bring your child to school in clothing appropriate for the weather.

Outdoor Sessions

We like to be outdoors as much as possible and the children have the opportunity to access outdoor learning on a daily basis. With the weather being

a little unpredictable at the moment, please could you ensure your child has a coat each day. All coats, hats and gloves should also be labelled with your child's name.

On Welly Wednesdays we visit the orchard and throughout the autumn and winter months it can get very wet. Appropriate footwear is essential, so we kindly ask that you send a pair of named wellies for your child that can stay in school.

Homework

Each half term a homework challenge sheet will be sent home, linked to the topic we are studying. You can choose which of these you would like to complete, and you can bring these into school or take a photo. You can just choose 1 or 2 activities to complete.

Reading

Each week Reception children will be sent home the sounds they have been learning in class. Please return this with their reading record daily in your child's book bag. We ask that you read with your child a minimum of 3 times per week. Please record this in your child's reading record.

We ask you to return this on a Monday so your child can choose a new book. Books will not be changed any other days of the week.

White Rose Maths

Reception will follow the White Rose scheme of learning. Our first block of learning is looking at matching and

sorting and comparing, and then we will focus on pattern, and comparing, size, length, and capacity.

We also improve our number fluency using Winning with Numbers.

Autumn Term Topics

To support this process our topic this half term is entitled 'All about me.'

Once the children are settled in, we will begin to explore what they know about themselves e.g. age, physical features, families, homes, likes and dislikes. They will investigate what makes them similar or different to others and how that makes them special and unique. We will look at our families and friendship.

We will explore senses through a range of play activities including cooking and welly walks and many more fun activities.

Children will learn how they can care for themselves, others and their environment. This will include how they can stay safe and how to manage their behaviours and feelings.

We will also explore autumn, observing seasonal changes and using natural found materials as tools for art activities.

Any other key information

Parental Partnership

At Wylam Nursery we recognise the importance of working in partnership with parents. The staff are always keen to hear about your child's activities and achievements outside of school, but also any concerns that you may have about

your child. If you would like to arrange a chat please do so through the school office.

School Timings

Please ensure your child is brought to school and collected at these times.

Reception 08.40-15.15

The door will close at 8:45am, if you arrive after this time please take your child to the main entrance.

If you have any questions, please let us know.

Kind regards,

Miss Todd - Reception teacher

Mrs Greener- Reception teaching assistant

Mrs Greenham- Reception teaching assistant