

## Half Termly Newsletter



**Year group:** Reception

**Teachers:** Reception Brownlee—Mrs Lee and Mrs Goldsmith. Reception Findlay—Miss Hubbard and Mrs Jakeman

**Term:** Autumn 1    **Topic:** I wonder what is special about where I live?

### Settling in

Thank you to all parents who have helped settle their child into school. We think you have all done incredibly well and the children have been amazing at saying goodbye, especially our new children. **Please send a named water bottle each day but no food.**

### Phonics

Our phonics teaching has started and we begin with the letters **s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c, k**. You can help at home by looking for these letters in your child's name, by writing them or by thinking of words starting with these sounds. See the bottom of the page for a phonics meeting for your class.

### Our topic—'I wonder what is special about where I live?'

What does my house look like? Who do I live with? How is Beeston special to different people in our community? Who uses the park/the shops/the mosque?

### Maths

Throughout school we follow a 'Maths Mastery' approach. In Reception we take time to explore numbers 1 to 10, sometimes two weeks per number. This half term we will work with numbers 1 to 3 and this will include problem solving, pattern and shape work.

### Tapestry

Your child's online learning journal from Nursery continues into Reception. If your child is new please make sure we have your email address so we can set you up. Remember that the photos and videos you may receive are for your own use only and not to be shared on social media.

### Reminders

School opening hours 8.45 - 3.15 Please be prompt.

PE days: **Thursday** for both classes. Please send your child's PE kit in a bag.

Phonics meetings: **Friday 613h October 9am in the hall.** There will then be a chance for you to come to the classroom to watch a phonics lesson in action.