

Curwen Primary School
Together Everyone Achieves More

Welcome to Reception

Are we going on any trips?

What are we learning about this year?

Welcome back . . .

When are we doing PE?



What is the name of your teacher?



Introductions . . .

*The members of staff who will be working in **Reception** this year are:*

Assistant Head EYFS and KS1: Mr Potter

Lead Practitioner EYFS and NQT's: Miss Sawyer

Year group leader: Mrs Gandesha



EYFS vision

At Curwen Primary School, in EYFS we provide the children with a sense of belonging in a safe, secure and stimulating learning environment.

By providing fun, hands- on experiences we develop the children's confidence, independence and positive attitudes to learning.

This is done through building effective partnerships with parents, carers, children and teachers enabling us to give the children the best possible start to their school life.



The school starts at **8.55am** everyday, so you need to be in the playground before then (about 8.50am).

Please do not climb up the stairs outside your classroom.

Breakfast Club it is from 7.45 – 8.30am everyday and costs 70p. (Please note, if you arrive after 8.30am, you can't get in!)

School finishes at **3.15pm** everyday.





Buy uniform 10am-4pm

Uniform

- **Dark Grey or Navy** skirt, pinafore dress, tailored trousers, or tailored shorts
- **NO** leggings, joggers, jeggings or jeans & **White, Black** or **Grey** socks/tights
- **Navy Blue** jumper or cardigan (**NO** hoodies or branded jumpers or P.E. t-shirts)
Curwen logo jumpers, cardigans and fleeces can be bought at the school office
- **White** shirt (long or short sleeve) or **White** polo shirt
- **Blue** Summer Dress
- **Hairbands/bobbles** - Plain **blue, black** or **white** not too big

Footwear: Shoes or trainers- **NO** open-toed sandals or Heelys
Wellies can be worn but pupils must change into their shoes when inside the school

Any Hijabs- NO pins: White, Navy or Black

P.E. KIT **Curwen Blue P.E. t-shirt** -Sold at the school office
Black joggers, leggings or shorts **Footwear-**comfortable trainers

Jewellery - Only stud earrings and a watch *Pupils will be asked to remove any unsuitable jewellery or hair dressings. The school cannot be held responsible for the loss or damage of these items as a result of this.* **NO** make-up, nail polish or false nails



What will my child be learning?

As always we will be learning lots of exciting topics over the course of this year!

Autumn Term 1 - Ourselves

Autumn Term 2 - Celebrations

Spring Term 1 - People in our Community

Spring Term 2 - Traditional Tales

Summer Term 1 - Growth

Summer Term 2 - Journey's



EYFS Curriculum

7 Areas of Learning **Prime Areas**

1. Personal, Social and Emotional Development
2. Physical Development
3. Communication and Language

Specific Areas

4. Literacy
5. Mathematics
6. Understanding the World
7. Expressive Art and Design

Reception Classrooms



Toilets

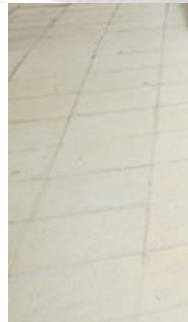


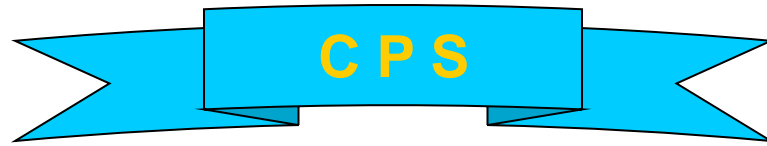
Dinner Hall- Lunch time

- Lunch will be at 11:30
- We stay with the children and support them during this time.
- We encourage the children to feed themselves and try the food.
- If your children does not eat your class teacher will let you know.



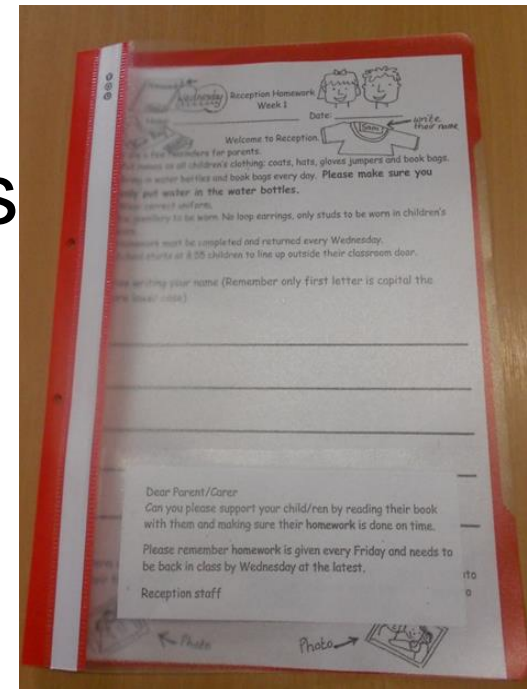
Playground





Homework

- Homework will be handed out on Fridays and **MUST** be in by Wednesday of the following week.
- Homework should be a fun activity your child. If your child is reluctant to complete their homework, please inform your class teacher.





Reading time

- Each child will be given a wallet, reading record book and a reading time book. If they do not bring this to school they will not be given a book.
- Reception's library day is on a Monday afternoon every week.
- **Please ensure all books are placed in their book bags every day.**
- Reading records should be signed regularly. Pupils should have them every day in their book bags.



Reception awards

- Star badges
- Pupil of the week
- Sticker/ Certificates
- Team token- good work and behaviour

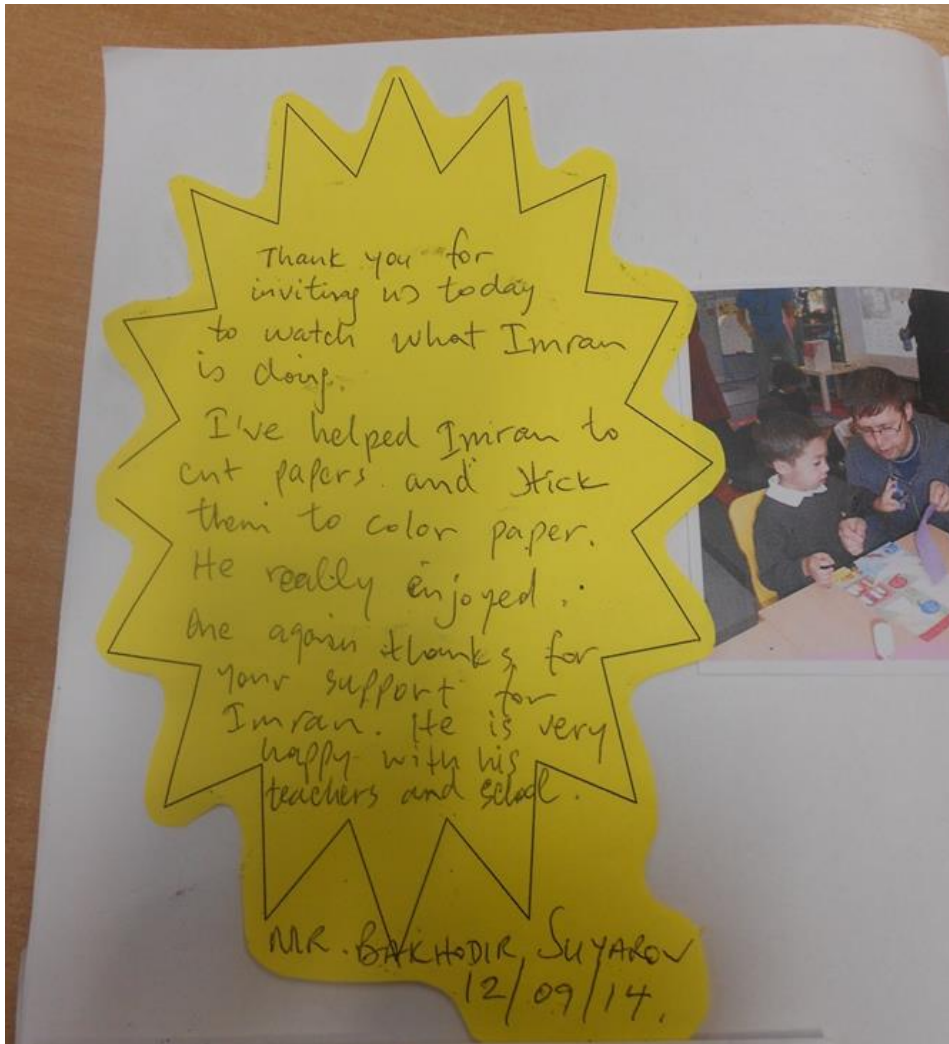


Class cuddly toy

- Each class will have a cuddly toy and book for your child to take home.
- Each week one child will take the toy and book home with them.
- When it is your child's turn, please contribute in the book and share your experience of having the cuddly toy at home with you.



Monday Parents Morning



9.00-9.15am



What educational visits (trips) will my child be attending?

This term we are going on some educational visits to support our learning.

These will include:

Local Church

West Ham Park

Unicorn Theatre

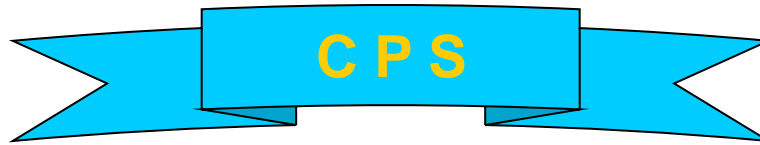
Marsh Farm

Local Mosque

Colchester Zoo

Please make sure you have signed the new trip letter form at the start of the year allowing your child to come to all visits. We will send another letter nearer the time of each trip to remind you of it. Remember to check the school App and weekly newsletters for news and updates about trips and whole school events.

Where possible, we are always pleased when Parents/Carers volunteer to come along and help with supervising groups, so please speak to the class teacher.



What will these educational visits (trips) cost?

At Curwen we believe our children should be given every opportunity to build on their life experiences. To ensure this happens the school pays for all coaches used and contribute to the cost of all any educational visit over £10.

You will receive a letter summarising the cost of all trips in this academic year.

It is impossible to continue to see Curwen's pupils on these amazing trips if families do not pay their contributions.



Money

ALL payments should be made through the school office.

Please ensure you receive a receipt and keep this for your records.

Please **DO NOT** hand cash or cheques to class teachers.

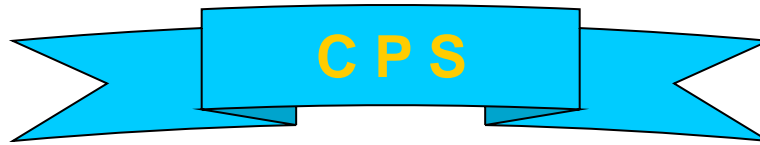
Parent Pay is changing

You have received a letter about this and will need to return it to the office.



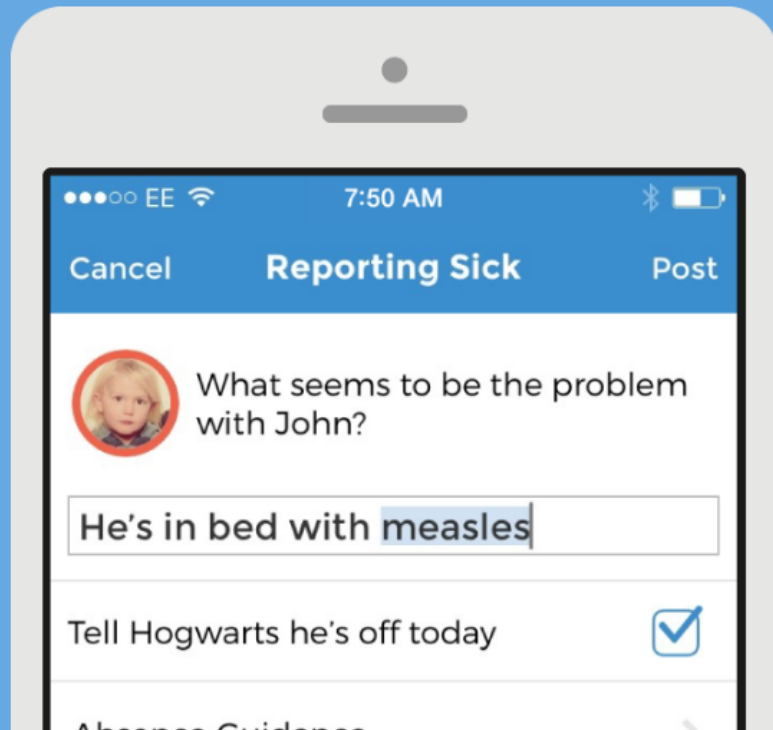
How can you support your child's learning?

- Make sure they come to school every day
- Support your child with their homework
- Ensure reading folder and reading time books are bought into school every day– Reading to your child and asking them questions
- Water bottle
- Bringing their P.E. KIT to school every Monday morning
- Visiting your child's class for Parent's morning
- Talking about their experiences at school



Report absences through our app...

Studybugs for Parents and Carers



A better, safer way to report when your child is sick and off school.

With a few quick taps or clicks, you can give your child's school all they need to record absence due to illness.

Get the free mobile app now...



...or register online to use via your web browser:

Register Free!

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...and get useful school info straight to your phone!

If your child is reported absent and we have not heard from you our attendance officer will be conducting home visits

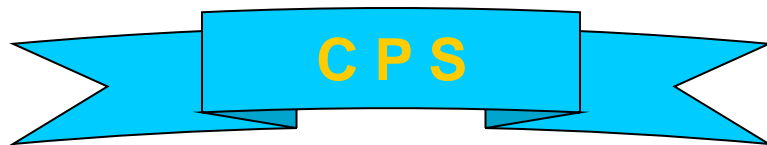


Keeping in touch...

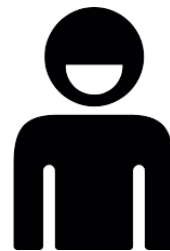
Please download Studybugs, the school app and check our weekly newsletter (online).

Members of school staff are on duty before and after school every day.

We hold regular coffee mornings for parents, open sessions and workshops. Keep checking the newsletter for more information.



Well-being



At the end of the school day, your children have lots to share with you. They may have stickers, they may have learned something really exciting they'd like to tell you about!

Please, leave your phones in your pockets for 10 minutes while you greet your child.

And please don't be offended if we don't let your child out until you have finished your call.



When collecting your children welcome with a smile not a mobile phone.

This ensures teachers can quickly and safely hand over children and relay any messages.

Please remember to inform the office as well as the class teacher of any changes in the collection of your child.

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ZONE**

Be smart
on the
internet



CPS

Rules for Online Safety

-  1. Keep telephone number, address, name/location of school, parents' work address/telephone number private. 
2. Report any information that makes me feel uncomfortable to my parents or my teacher. 
3. Never send a person your picture or anything else without first checking with my parents. 
4.  Never respond to any mean or unkind messages. Tell parents/teacher if any messages make you feel uncomfortable.
5. Set up rules for going online with your parents about the time of day, the length of time and appropriate areas for you to visit. Stick to them! 
6.  Never give out internet passwords to anyone (even my best friends) other than parents. (MLE)



Medical Conditions

Please ensure that all **medical details are up to date** – if anything changes, please let us know immediately by speaking to Mrs Welch and Ms Britton.

All children with asthma should have an **asthma pump permanently in class (check expiry date regularly)**. If they no longer require an asthma pump, please put this in writing with a letter from the doctors.

Throughout the year we will be contacting parents to up-date care plans. This is a legal requirement to ensure pupils are safe in school.



What is Place2Be?

Place2Be aims to promote children's mental health and learning by offering a range of services to support individuals and their families.

Place2Talk: a lunchtime drop-in service for all children from Y1 to Y6.

Place2Be One-to-One Counselling: Children are referred for a number of reasons and with parental consent attend weekly counselling sessions for up to a year.

Parent Counselling:

We have a free and confidential adult counselling service available to parents on a Friday afternoon.



2018-2019 Big Events @ Curwen

- Parents' Evening 17th & 18th October
- E-Safety Open Afternoon 15th November
- Children in Need Disco 16th November
- Christmas Concert 4th December
- Christmas Fair 7th December
- Reading Open Morning & World Book Day 8th Feb
- Parents' Evening 12th & 13th February
- Science Open afternoon 13th March
- International Week Starts 25th March
- Easter Bonnet Parade 1st April
- Family Week Starts 1st July Sports Day 2nd July
- Summer Concert 11th July



Come and join our coffee mornings!

- Speak to members of school staff
- Meet other parents
- Ask questions
- Join our Friends of Curwen project group and work towards an event

**Check App
and weekly
newsletters
for dates**



And finally...

Thank you all for coming in.

With your support, we hope that Reception will be a memorable and successful year for our children.

If ever, you have any concerns or would like to discuss anything regarding your child, please don't hesitate to ask.

If you contact the office, they will gladly arrange an appointment.

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Any questions?

