



Bumblebee Class Newsletter

Monday 15th – Friday 19th September 2025



Dear Parents,

Congratulations Bumblebee Class on completing your first full-time week.

Maths

This week we started our number learning in maths and have focused on one, two and three. Our Number block friends have helped us to learn a new skill called **subitising**. I am so impressed with how many children can now tell me what the word means. Subitising is when you look at a group of objects and know how many there are **without counting** them. We have been practising this new skill all week and the children have made great progress. We have also started to see hidden numbers within a number for example, we noticed there was a three and a two within the number five.

Phonics

This week we learned five more sounds in our phonics lessons. These are:

i	n	p	g	o
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Yellow Reading Records

A couple of parents have asked about what they need to record in the yellow reading records, your child brought home last Friday. You do not need to record every time you read a bedtime story to your child. Please note though that at this age, a bedtime story counts as one of their five times a week reading practice. At the moment our reading practice at home is the weekly sounds I send home on a Friday. So, an example of a week's worth of reading record entries might look like this:

Monday – X listened to a bedtime story
Tuesday – practised sounds with mummy
Wednesday – mummy
Thursday – practised sounds with daddy
Friday – shared library book with Grandma

Or simply you can just write your name or initials next to the date.

School Uniform

Please can I remind you that children are not allowed to wear nail varnish, bracelets and necklaces to school, as these are not part of our school uniform. Children with long hair must have their hair tied up every day.

Some children have been bringing in lip gloss this week and I have explained to the children that we do not need these in school, so they will need to keep these at home. If your child does have dry lips in the winter and needs vaseline or lip balm, you may let us know and I will keep it safely on my desk. Thank you for your support with this.

Key Dates for Next Week

Monday 22nd September

Bumblebee Class Library slot – please make sure your child has their library book in their book bag, so they can change it today.

We will have our first outdoor learning session today. Please make sure your child has their wellies and outdoor clothing in school – we will go out in all weather conditions.

Tuesday 23rd September

PE with Miss Fisher-Smith

Friday 26th September

Individual School Photographs today.

(I will take Bumblebee Class to have their photos taken first thing with our school photographer)

In your child's book bag you will find a page of photographs from their first days at school. I have made each child one, so you can see what they have been up to.

I hope you have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you all again on Monday.

Kind regards,

Miss Fisher-Smith
Bumblebee Class Teacher