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### School Values

Responsible Excellence Share Polite Encourage Communicate Truth

## Year 1 Autumn 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as your child's phase leader and to welcome you back to a new academic year at Carpenters. I hope that you all had a relaxing and enjoyable summer break.

This year we will be sharing information with you through a year group newsletter each half term. This will keep you up to date on the curriculum, key dates and events in Reception.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact a member of your child's year group team or me as the phase leader. I am very excited about the year ahead and look forward to sharing your child's achievements with you.

Ama Osapanin  
Assistant Head Teacher

### Introducing Your Reception Team!

**Phase Leader:** Miss Osapanin

**Class Teachers:** Mrs McFarlane and Miss Reicher

**Additional Teacher:** Ms Turner and Miss Andrade

**Support Staff:** Mrs Hafsa, Mrs Sahara, Mrs Anna and Miss Rochelle

### Autumn 1 Topic

This term your child's topic will be 'Ourselves'. For more information on what your child will be learning please see the attached topic web.

The topic journey has been planned to engage and excite your child in their learning. It will also deepen and challenge their knowledge and understanding through a creative and cross-curricular approach.

We look forward to sharing some of what your child has learnt this half term with you.

### Dates for your diary

19 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Maths with Parents information session - 3.30pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> Sep	Jeans for Genes Day
4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Bag 2 School Collection
4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Nursery Parent/Carer Meeting - Starting School
6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Harvest Assembly - 11am - Year 4 - All Welcome
13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Diwali Assembly - 11am - Year 3 - All Welcome
w/c16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Black History Week
17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Individual Photos - all children
19 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Diwali - School open as usual
20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Black History Assembly - 11am - Year 2 - All Welcome
23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED - HALF TERM</b>

## Attendance

### Whole School Attendance Target - 96.4%

**We will be working hard to achieve our yearly target. Please ensure your child attends school every day and on time.**

- ✘ Children must be lined up outside their classroom door before 8:50. They will walk into class at 8:50 and be marked in late from 9:00.
- ✘ Children finish school at 15:15 and will be dismissed from their classroom door. They will be handed over to an adult that is named on the safer collection form that provides the correct password.
- ✘ If booking a dentist or GP appointment, please bring your child in so that they can be registered first. Aim to book appointments between 9:30 and 12:30, or after 13:30.
- ✘ NO term time holidays - Risk of penalty charge. Our school policy is that we do not authorise any leave during term time.

## Medical

- ✘ If your child is asthmatic or has a care plan in place please ensure that their medication is in school.
- ✘ If your child requires medication to be administered during school time you **MUST** come to office to complete a care plan.
- ✘ If your child has broken or fractured bones please inform the school office before they return to school so we can arrange to complete a care plan and risk assessment.

## General Reminders

- ✘ Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform (including the correct footwear) every day.
- ✘ Your child should bring their reading diary to school every day. This should be signed by an adult each day and a comment made by your child.
- ✘ PE kits should remain in school for the whole half term and should not be taken home. **ALL** children **MUST** take part in PE sessions. If your child is unable to take part due to a medical reason a doctor's note must be provided.
- ✘ Your child will receive weekly homework. Please support your child to complete this each week. If you need support with your child's homework please tell an adult before the deadline. Please ensure your child's homework is presented to a high standard.
- ✘ Parents are encouraged to stay and read with their child between 8:50 and 9:00 every day.