



# Reedley Hallows Nursery School

## Newsletter October 2022



### Message from the Headteacher

I would like to thank you all for welcoming me into this fantastic school and for making my first half term here so wonderful. I have enjoyed conversations with lots of you at the gate each day and am getting to know your children in their classrooms. Thanks to those of you that came to our coffee morning/afternoon to look at the new website, and those that brought your child to the activity morning. We will be holding lots more events like this throughout the year, so don't worry if you didn't make it!

The children are doing amazing settling into their new classrooms and routines, and are making us proud every day. I hope you are finding the 'what we are learning in nursery this week' information on the website useful – please let us know if you have done any of the activities at home with your child so that we can celebrate with them in school. After half term there will be 'what we are learning in Twinkle Tots' information on the website too – don't forget to take a look! Children learn best when parents and school work together on the same things.

A big thank you to our fantastic staff for their hard work and commitment to your children too!

#### ATTENDANCE



Attending school every day and on time is really important for your child. The teachers make sure that learning takes place every minute of every day, so if your child is absent or late they will be missing out on this learning and their progress at the end of the year will be affected. Children who are absent a lot often struggle to make friends too.

We will be having a big push on improving attendance this year, and we will be celebrating children with good or improving attendance. I will let you know more about this after the holidays.

#### UNIFORM

We have had lots of interest in our school uniform and will be placing an order soon. Of course, we don't insist that children wear school uniform but lots of parents like it because it saves you having to think about what your child wears each day and it means that you aren't worrying about lovely clothes from home being ruined by paint or glue! If you would like to order some of our uniform or would like to have a look at it, please ask in the school office.



Message for Mrs Gordon from \_\_\_\_\_ Child's name \_\_\_\_\_

### CAR PARK

Unfortunately, there are still 1 or 2 parents who are parking in front of the barriers in the car park, blocking the way for emergency vehicles and Holly Grove School minibuses. Please don't do this, if your child needed an ambulance at school you would want the access for them to be clear so that they could help your child as quickly as possible.

PLEASE keep your child safe in the car park too, by holding their hand, watching for cars and crossing at the zebra crossing.



### LIBRARY VISITS

After half-term we will be starting to visit the campus library in keyworker groups. On the first visit the children will be shown around the library, listen to a story being read to them and will be given a special book to take home and keep. Following the first visit we will be inviting parents to join us on some of our library visits to share stories with your children, listen to stories being read aloud and you will also be able to join the library if you want to so that you can borrow books to take home to read with your child. We will send more information about days and times later.

### RECEPTION PLACES

If your child will be 4 before the end of August they will start in primary school in September. You will need to complete an online application before the 15<sup>th</sup> January to apply for a place. More information can be found here:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/starting-primary-school/?page=10>

Most primary schools will welcome you in to have a look around, and some will be holding open days this term. If I get information about any I will put it on the school website. Barden Primary School is holding an open day on the 14<sup>th</sup> November – see their school website for more information.

### NURSERY CINEMA EXPERIENCE

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November we will be taking the nursery children to the campus auditorium to watch 'Room on the Broom' on the big screen. This will be exciting for the children and we would like to invite parents to come too. 'Room on the Broom' will then be our core book for 2 weeks and the children will take part in lots of linked activities. The times are as follows:



Miss Firdos' class – 9am (morning and full time children) and 1pm (afternoon children)

Mrs Smith/Miss Widdowson's class 10:50am (morning and full-time children) and 2:50pm (afternoon children). Please come along and join us!

### HALF TERM HOLIDAY

We finish for half-term today and return to school on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October. I hope you all have a lovely week off with your families. There are lots of activities on offer for families over the holidays at various venues across Burnley. You can find more details on our website.

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