

# LOSELEY FIELDS

## PRIMARY SCHOOL



Dear Parents/Carers,

### Welcome to Year R

We have been delighted with the way the children have settled into our school. The children still have opportunities to learn through play. They have demonstrated a positive attitude towards their learning and are displaying a growing independence and responsibility in all aspects of their school life.

Communication with parents will be through Seesaw and My Child at School. Please ensure that you have the MCAS app.

### Topics for the term

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2
Theme	Do you want to be friends? 	Why do squirrels hide their nuts? 
Linked Texts	<p>You choose</p> <p>The colour monster goes to school</p> <p>The Worrysaurus</p> <p>The Rainbow Fish</p> <p>Once there were giants</p> <p>Nursery rhymes</p> <p>Shark in the park</p> <p>One more digging a hole</p> <p>Chocolate Mousse for Greedy Goose</p> <p>Funnybones</p> <p>Room on the Broom</p> <p>Belonging and Believing</p>	<p>Bonfire poems</p> <p>We're going on Leaf Hunt</p> <p>Leaf Man</p> <p>Wow! Said the Owl</p> <p>Owl Babies</p> <p>Town Mouse and Country Mouse</p> <p>Dear Santa</p> <p>Jesus' Christmas Party</p> <p>The Christmas Promise</p> <p>The Nativity Story</p>

### Our classes

#### **Little Bears class**

Class teachers:

Mrs Barber & Ms McCann

Teaching Assistants:

Mrs Hammond

#### **Little Lions class**

Mrs Jones

Mrs Gordon

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## Daily Timetable

Learning is through play. In the mornings the children free-flow between activities set up in the classroom and the garden area. The children will be invited to complete short writing and maths activities with an adult, then return to their play-based learning. In the afternoons we spend time developing gross motor skills on the scooters, trikes and climbing frame. There are whole class phonics, maths and topic lessons each day but these are only ten or so minutes in length.

## Outside learning

We are lucky enough to have a fantastic outdoor learning environment at Loseley Fields and use this space as part of our learning environment on a regular basis. Please could you provide a pair of wellington boots for your child to keep in school. This will allow them to explore the school environment in all seasons. Please also ensure that your child has a coat in school every day for the colder days.

## Phonics

Your child is expected to read to you every night and evidence this by filling in their reading record, a simple tick or signing your name is fine. **The expectation is that your child will read their book 3 times before it is changed.** To begin with, your child will have non-worded books to develop their story telling skills and comprehension (we change books on Tuesdays and Fridays).

Your child will also receive a smaller zip wallet containing sounds and the tricky words they have learnt in phonics each week. These are for you to practice with your child at home and to play games with. Please ensure that your child's reading book, reading record and sound zip wallet are inside the larger zip wallet and in their book bag each day.

## Curriculum

The EYFS curriculum is based around three prime areas (Communication and Language, Physical Development and Personal, Social and Emotional Development) and four specific areas of learning (Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding the world and Expressive arts and design). The indoor and outdoor classroom are set up with a range of activities which cover all the areas of learning and are changed on a daily basis.

## Uniform

The children have started the year looking very smart and your help with this is appreciated. Please remember that jewellery (apart from plain studs) is not allowed in school and shoes should be appropriate for the school environment. Hair gel and closely shaven hair is not permitted along with hair pieces. Mid-length and long hair must be tied back at all times. Please can you check your all your child's belongings are clearly labelled with their name. This includes water bottles, coats, hats and gloves, etc

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## PE

We have PE on Friday mornings. **Earrings must be removed** by a parent/carer before school. Some of these lessons will take place outside. Please provide your child with a tracksuit for these lessons, or a pair of long PE trousers to wear with their school jumpers in the colder weather. These should be plain and labelled. For girls wearing tights, it is helpful to have an additional pair of socks in their PE bags to wear with their plimsolls or trainers. P.E. kits are kept in school until half term. Please ensure everything is clearly labelled.

## Lunches

The children have coped very well with all the new routines, especially eating lunch in the hall. Mrs Hammond and Mrs Gordon, along with the lunchtime supervisors, assist the children and monitor how much they are eating.

**Please can we also remind all parents and carers that Loseley Fields is a nut free school.**

No sweets or fizzy drinks are permitted in school. Children are provided with fruit at break times as a snack so do not need to bring one from home and are encouraged to drink water throughout the day.

We are extremely excited for all the learning we will be exploring with your child and we can't wait to be a part of their learning journey in Year R.

If there are any problems, please do not hesitate to come and see us or email on [info@loseleyfields.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@loseleyfields.surrey.sch.uk) and your queries will be passed on to your child's class teacher promptly.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Best wishes,

Mrs Barber, Mrs Jones & Ms McCann  
Year R Teachers

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