



ST. MARY MAGDALENE

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to St Mary Magdalene CE Primary School. There are two class teachers in Hawkins Class: Mrs Eggleston (Monday-Wednesday) and Mrs Olaniyan (Thursday-Friday) and the Teaching Assistant is Mrs Ossei, and we are very pleased to be teaching Reception this year. I hope you and your child are looking forward to the year ahead as much as we are. There will be a meet and greet session on Wednesday, 12th September at 12.00 pm at Hawkins Class where you will have the opportunity to learn more about your child's first year in school.

Our learning this term will be focusing on 'Ourselves' and 'All about me' as well as Celebrations and Festivals. The children will build upon their previous experiences and knowledge of nursery and pre-school. They will use the outdoor equipment for developing their co-ordination skills and will have the opportunity to develop their social skills by working closely with the other early years classes.

We will be covering all areas of learning through our themes. In the first half of the term we will be thinking about who we are and what we can do and how we have changed. In the second half term, we will be thinking about Light and Celebrations in various religions. A big focus of our Literacy will be Phonics. Please help your child by practising the phonemes (sounds) they are learning in school. In RE we will be thinking about 'Why Christians believe Jesus is special' and we will be learning about different Festivals.

P.E takes place twice a week. It is essential that your child brings their full PE kit to school on a Monday and that it remains in school until Friday when it needs to be taken home for washing. Please could you ensure your child has a white T-shirt, black/dark shorts and jogging bottoms as well as trainers or plimsolls and a tracksuit top (especially as the weather becomes colder for outdoor PE). It is important that both PE kit and school uniform are clearly labelled with your child's name. The children are responsible for their own clothes. Please note for your own child's welfare, hooped earrings are not to be worn. Only studs are allowed as stated in the school prospectus.

The teaching assistant will change the children's reading books once a week. Please read with your child and write comments in the reading record book. If your child loses their reading record they will be asked to bring in £1.00 to pay for a replacement. If your child loses their reading book, they will be asked to bring in £5.00 to buy a replacement. Homework menus will be sent out once the children have settled and started fulltime. Please send the homework in as they complete each task.

Children will be collected from the Reception class gate at 8.50 am. Please help your child to line up against their number on the fence and wait with them until we come to collect them. The lining up order will be attached to the fence in case your child forgets their number. Please ensure your child does not play in the Reception outdoor space before school starts as the activities will be set up for learning.

We are always available and glad to speak with you if you have any concerns or issues that you wish to discuss. Alternatively, you can write in your child's contact book or make an appointment at the office. We look forward to your support while working with your child and helping them get the most from their first term in school.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Eggleston, Mrs Olaniyan, Mrs Ossei

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