

## FEDERATION EXECUTIVE CO-HEADTEACHERS

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## HEAD OF SCHOOL, WOOLWICH CAMPUS

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Tuesday 12th September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to St Mary Magdalene CE Primary School. The class teacher in Hawkins Class is Miss Shah and in Makeba class the Class teacher is Mre Turner. I hope you and your child are looking forward to the year ahead as much as we are.

Our learning this term will be focused on 'All about me' where children will build upon their previous experiences and knowledge of nursery and pre-school. In the first two weeks, we establish the class rules and expectations and explore the indoor and outdoor class environment. In week 3, as the children start in full education, we continue to explore our topic 'All about Me', encouraging a sense of community across the entire school and also help children to look forward to the future in a positive way. It will also offer an opportunity to give time for the children to get used to the systems and routines of 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 reception class.

In the first half of the term we will be thinking about who we are, what we can do and how we have changed. In the second half term, we will be thinking about light and festivals 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.

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  $\pounds 5.00$  to pay for a replacement. If your child loses their reading record book, they will be asked to bring in  $\pounds 1.00$  to buy a replacement. Homework menus will be sent out once the children have settled and started full time. Please have fun and support your child with the learning activities to be completed termly.

Children will be dropped off at the reception class door at 8.40 am and collected at the end of the school day at 15:10 pm. Please ensure to follow a queuing system and 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 happy to speak with you if you have any concerns or issues that you wish to discuss. Alternatively, you can speak to the class teacher by making 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 year in school.

Kind Regards, Miss Shah and Mrs Turner Reception Teachers

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