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Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome to all children and families to Robin Reception Class. We are looking forward to getting to know you and your children. Parents and Carers are welcome to come into the classrooms and settle their children from 8:45am.

Here is a key date for your diary – more information will follow:

☆ Parents meeting for all Reception parents/carers on Tuesday 18th September at
2:30pm or 4:45pm.

If you have any questions about your child's learning or how they are settling in to school life please speak to any of the Early Years staff, or for a longer appointment, please speak to the office to arrange a convenient time. We are always happy to help.

Many thanks for your support.

Mrs Sykes, Miss Olivier and Miss Anyan



Robin Class Autumn 1 2017

This half-term our topic is:

My Family and I



This half-term we will be focussing on
**Personal, Social and Emotional Development
And Communication and Language**

This will involve:

- Learning about similarities and differences in each other's families.
- Listening to one another in small groups.
- Retelling special family occasions.
- Learning to cooperate with other children and join in with group activities.
- Beginning to accept the needs of others, take turns and share.

Reading

We will share stories and foster a love of reading. We will begin to learn phase 2 phonics letters and sounds and practise recognising initial sounds.

Key Focus: To listen and join in with stories through 'Talk-For-Writing' actions and techniques.

Our first text will be a fiction book- Head to Toe by Eric Carle

You can help by: Practising Jolly phonics actions for Phase 2 sounds.

Writing



We will be mark-making using a variety of materials and resources. We will begin to learn correct letter formation.

Key Focus: To write some sounds they can hear within words.

You can help by: Encouraging all forms of mark-making e.g. Chalk outside, paint, water, and drawing.

Mathematics

We will be using number in play, matching numerals and quantities correctly. We will focus on number sense ensuring children understand the value of each number.

Key Focus: Number recognition and formation.

You can help by: Talking to your children about numbers in the environment.

E.g. House numbers, car number plates and counting knives and forks needed for dinner.



Reminders:

- ☆ **Please be aware that we have a child with a severe nut allergy in EYFS. No nut or nut products on the school premises.**
- ☆ **Parents meeting for all Reception children Tuesday 18th September 2:30pm/4:45pm**
- ☆ Please ensure that **all** of your child's belongings are labelled.
- ☆ Please provide your child with a spare set of clothes in their bag.

