



## St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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**Dear Parents/Carers,**

Please see below information relevant to Reception.

### **Cooking**

The children have already started cookery as part of our Curriculum, this is generally not sent home as they consume it during snack time. We aim to cook with them two or three times a term.

### **Tapestry**

The teachers have started taking observations of your children using Tapestry our Online Learning Journal. The observations are saved to support ongoing assessment and shared with parents termly, (after Christmas break, Easter break and finally in July).

### **Missing Uniform**

Please ensure you label your child's uniform and check it regularly. Some of the children are losing labelled uniform which may have gone home with the wrong child by accident. To ensure this does not happen please check your child's uniform regularly.

### **Labelling**

Please ensure you label all of your child's belongings. It is impossible to identify an unlabelled bag, coat or jumper.

### **Book Bags**

Please send your child's book bag to school daily, as we often have letters to send home.

### **Phonics/Reading**

The reading scheme has started, as mentioned in the Phonics Talk the children will only take home a reading book once they are blending securely. All of the children will take home a phonics sheet to practise their sounds and their writing. As the children are at different levels they will not receive the same work nor will they receive it on the day. If your child has received a reading book, they should also receive a Reading Record for you to use to make comments of your child's reading. If they have not received one please inform a member of staff.

If any parent has a concern regarding their child's progress, their book or worksheets please speak to the class teacher.

**Collection by a different person**

If you are unable to collect your child from school, please phone the school office and let them know who will be collecting your child instead. The class teacher will not allow your child to leave unless the school has been notified by the parents.

**Accidental Injuries**

Please cut your child's nails regularly to prevent accidental scratching injuries.

**Nativity**

We have been practising our class Nativities. The songs have been sent home and some of the children will be receiving words to learn. These will be sent home in the next few weeks, please help your child learn their words.

If you have any concerns or questions please do not hesitate to contact a member of staff.

Thank you for your support

The Reception Team