



NEW RECEPTION 2021

WELCOME

'LOVE OF LEARNING FOR LIFE'



Vision

At Chapel St Leonards Primary School we will nurture our children to be caring and successful learners who are well prepared for the future.

Values - CORALS

Communication

Organisation

Resilience

Ambition

Leadership

Safety

Chloe Communication



Rana Resilience



Leonard Leadership



Olive Organisation

Amery Ambition

Solomon Safety

COMMUNICATION



Communication between members of our school community is really important to us. We pride ourselves on the positive relationships we build with our families and our knowledge of our pupils which allows us to support you all as your child grows and develops through their time with us. We have several avenues of communications which we encourage parents to engage in, including -

- School website
- Tapestry
- Letters
- Reading records
- MarvellousMe
- Parents' evenings
- Weekly newsletter
- Conversations with the staff at the beginning and end of the day
- Most importantly...if you're not sure please ask

STARTING SCHOOL

HOW WILL THIS LOOK



- We will invite the children for a visit to the classroom on either Tuesday 6th July or Wednesday 7th July from 10.00-11.30.
- We are also going to host a Teddy Bears picnic for a parent/carer and all of the children on Tuesday 13th July at 1.30.
- Mrs Overton will phone each family for a discussion about starting and this is your chance to ask questions and let us know any important information about your child. If you have any concerns about your child starting or need to let us know any personal information please let us know.
- Mrs Overton will also endeavour to visit all preschool settings to see your child in their current setting.
- Over the summer you can support your child's start at school by ensuring they are able to get into their school uniform and PE kit independently, do their shoes up, use cutlery appropriately, basic counting of groups of objects and talking about initial sounds.

PARENTS AS PARTNERS



There is lots that you can do to support your child's educational journey. In reception much of the learning is play based and we focus the learning on the children's interests. Your child will also work individually and in groups on Maths and English tasks as well as reading and phonics. The following are some ideas of activities that you can help with either in school or at home.

- Daily reading with and to your child – as well as helping to support your child with learning to read it is really important that you also read books to your child to encourage a love of reading.
- Counting – children love to count...whether it's as they climb the stairs, the number of objects they can see...make it into a game.
- Number hunts – how many numerals can you spot on a walk
- Playing games – games like snakes and ladders, snap, memory games etc. all help to support your child's learning and problem solving abilities.
- Completing puzzles – there is so much problem solving involved in a puzzle
- Silly sentences using alliteration to help children with initial sounds of words
- Telling the time – focus on key points in the day such as lunch time and bed time
- Handling money – get your child to count pennies so they begin to understand the different values that coins have.
- Keep us updated on medical conditions, for example allergies, and your contact details
- Provide named uniform and PE kits.

PHONICS AT CHAPEL ST LEONARDS PRIMARY SCHOOL



- We use Read Write Inc (RWI) for our phonic program
- Children will begin by learning the Set One sounds which consist mainly of the single letter sounds
- Children will bring a daily sheet to practice at home – daily practice makes all the difference
- You can help by 'Fred Talk' in the build up to September. Say things like "Look at that d-o-g" and see if your child can say "dog" or "Lets go to the sh-o-p" etc.
- Children will bring home RWI bookbag books that match their current learning.



UNIFORM



We are proud of our school uniform and the sense of unity and belonging that it brings. Therefore, we request that all children wear full school uniform, as detailed below.

Winter

- **All:** Maroon school sweatshirt or cardigan, white polo shirt and grey/black trousers, skirt or pinafore.

Summer

- **Boys:** Grey/black tailored shorts (same material as school trousers) or trousers with white polo shirt.
- **Girls:** Grey/black skirt, pinafore or trousers with white polo shirt. Alternatively, maroon/red & white checked summer dress.

Footwear

- Black school shoes and plain socks/tights must be worn all year. We request that sandals and canvas shoes are not worn, to prevent unnecessary playground accidents.

PE Kit

- **Indoor:** A plain white t-shirt, red sports shorts and a pair of plimsolls.
- **Outdoor:** A plain white t-shirt, red sports shorts and a pair of trainers. Jogging bottoms and a warm sweater will be needed for the colder months of the year.
- PE clothes should be kept in a drawstring bag and left in school during term time and sent home for washing during the holidays.
- **All clothing items, PE bags, lunchboxes, water bottles etc must be clearly labelled with your child's name.**
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- **We are pleased to be working with Nationwide School Uniforms who sell our school uniform. All of our uniform is available to order online at: www.nationwideschooluniforms.co.uk**
- **You can also buy in the shop at: Nationwide School Uniforms, Vale Road, Spilsby, Lincolnshire. PE23 5HE**

OUR BEACH SCHOOL

- We have a thriving Beach School at Chapel St Leonards Primary School.
- We aim to take each class once per full term, therefore three visits per year.
- Beach Schools follow the Forest School ethos. A key theme of the Forest and Beach Schools ethos is creating relationships with nature. When children attend Beach Schools they get an amazing opportunity to connect with the natural environment of the beach; pebbles, sand, water, oozing mud as well as all of the habitats for wild animals. This offers a chance for children's education to be completely learner centred. Children are involved in the decision making process about their experiences of the beach, their learning.



SOME PHOTOS OF OUR CHILDREN



...AND FINALLY

We are really proud of our school and the opportunities we give to our young people as they progress through the first stage of their education.

We work hard with the children to instil in them a sense of pride and belonging in our school community.

It is so important that we keep lines of communication open so really want to encourage you to talk to us if you are unsure of anything, need support or if you have any concerns.

