



[www.emmausfederation.co.uk](http://www.emmausfederation.co.uk)

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the start of a new school year, and for those of you who are just starting your journey at our school welcome to Fourfields Church of England Primary School! I can not wait to meet your child and yourselves as you venture on this next stage of their education. I hope you have all had a fantastic summer and have had plenty of opportunities to create memories with your families. The start of a new school year is always an exciting time for all. Your child gets to meet their class teacher, make new friends and see their new classroom! I am looking forward to supporting your child with their transition to 'big' school and into Year 1 and seeing them grow and develop every day.

I wanted to take the opportunity to share some important information with yourselves, including information about the learning which will be happening as well as important information you need to know about daily life at school.

#### Marvellous Me!

This term our topic is called '**Marvellous Me**'. This is such a fantastic topic to start the school year with. It allows us the opportunity to have lots of discussions with the children about what makes them and their families special. In English we will be looking at texts such as 'Rainbow Fish', 'Colour Monsters go to School' and 'The Smartest Giant in Town'. The children will be learning how to recognise and write their name, hear initial sounds in words and give meaning to the marks they make. Throughout the term we will be learning about the different parts of our bodies, the 5 senses and what we use our senses for. We will use a range of different media to create our own self-portraits, thinking carefully about the colours we can see such as our green eyes or brown hair. In R.E. and RSE we will be thinking about ourselves, friends and family and exploring what makes them all unique. Finally, we will be thinking about any memories we might have such as birthdays, holidays and parties.

#### Drop off and Pick up

When you arrive at school you should enter via the brown gate (to the right of the building) then follow the path down to the playground. This is also where you will pick your child up from at the end of the day. The children will line up on the playground in their classes at both drop off and pick up. For the first 3 days of term parents are welcome to come into school and help their child find their pegs, however from **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September** we kindly ask that you say goodbye to your child on the playground.

**Drop off – gate opens at 8.35am for an 8.40am start.**

**Pick up – gate opens at 3.10pm for a 3.15pm pick up.**

#### Personal Belongings

We encourage the children to take responsibility for their own beginnings from the very start of September. To support with this, please ensure that **all** of your children's belongings are clearly labelled with your child's name (especially jumpers) so we are able to return any lost items to the correct child. Your child's P.E. bag, coat, rucksack and Forest School clothes will be stored on their pegs. If your child is having a packed lunch, their lunch bag will be stored on the lunch trolley. Children's book bags and jumpers/cardigans will be kept in their trays.

#### P.E.

---

Swineshead St Mary's Church of England Primary School, Abbey Road, Swineshead, Boston, Lincs,  
PE20 3EN Tel: 01205 820356

Sutterton Fourfields Church of England Primary School Park Avenue, Sutterton, Boston, Lincs,  
PE20 2JN Tel: 01205 460547



Reception children will have their PE lesson every Tuesday and Year 1 will have their PE lessons every Tuesday and Thursday. Your child should bring their P.E. kit into school, where they will get changed into it for our P.E. sessions. If your child wears earrings, could I please ask that they are removed before school in order to keep your child safe within P.E lessons. Please make sure your child's P.E kit is in school for our first P.E sessions which are on:

**Reception – Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September**

**Year 1 – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September.**

### Forest School

Our Forest School sessions will continue to run this academic year for those children in Reception. These sessions will start from the week commencing **16<sup>th</sup> September 2024**. Your child will attend Forest School weekly as part of their curriculum and will take part in a variety of different activities. Forest School is a fantastic opportunity to develop your child's holistic development. It supports their physical, emotional and social development through the opportunity to climb, use age-appropriate tools, work together as a team and really engage with the outdoors. For your child to be able to access our Forest School sessions fully they will need to come to school with a pair of wellies and waterproofs (coat and trousers or all in one suit) as we will be attending our Forest School in all weathers. Forest School is a fantastic part of our school curriculum, and I know your child is going to love it!

### Homework

Each week your child will be set homework. This term, Reception children will receive a piece of phonics homework and Year 1 children will receive phonics homework and maths homework which is set on the online platform Sumdog. Homework will be set on a Friday and will come home in their homework folder. All homework should be returned to school by the following Wednesday. Your child will be awarded 2 dojo points for completion of homework which is handed in on time.

### Reading Books

As we settle into the new school term your child will come home with reading books. One book is what we refer to as a 'sharing' book. This is a book from our classroom library that your child has selected themselves and is for you to share with them at home. These books are not set to your child's phonics level and therefore the children are not expected to be able to read them, they are there to encourage reading for pleasure and enjoyment. Your child will also come home with a phonics book. This book is based on your child's phonics level and they will have read this book 3 times at school with their reading teacher. More information on reading books and our phonics scheme will follow shortly.

### Tapestry Workshop

We will be holding a Tapestry workshop on **Wednesday 4th September 2024** for Reception parents. This is an opportunity to learn about the learning journey platform, as well as give your details so you can see what your child has been up to at school! It also allows you to share some of the fantastic things your child has also been doing at home. We hope you are able to join us!

If you have any questions, worries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me via Class Dojo. I look forward to seeing you all soon!

Kind Regards,  
Mrs Walton

---

Swineshead St Mary's Church of England Primary School, Abbey Road, Swineshead, Boston, Lincs,  
PE20 3EN Tel: 01205 820356

Sutterton Fourfields Church of England Primary School Park Avenue, Sutterton, Boston, Lincs,  
PE20 2JN Tel: 01205 460547

