

Reception Newsletter

Welcome back to our final term in Reception! This term we will be returning to the olden days of knights and dragons, kings and queens, in our topic... '**Castles, Dragons and Knights**'.



We will begin by exploring how castles are different to our own homes and will enjoy finding out who lived and worked in them. The children will then train to become knights and will have plenty of missions to complete, we might even meet some dragons along the way! To end the topic, we will be having our very own Cinderella's ball, with lots of dancing and plenty of delicious treats to eat at our very own banquet.

Home Challenge - We would like you to make a castle. We have supplied every child with a cardboard box to get you started. If you need any other resources (e.g. paint) please ask and we will get some for you.



We would like all castles in by Monday 6th June

Key Vocabulary to discuss with your child - castle, moat, tower, drawbridge, portcullis, arrow slits, keep, turrets

I am hoping we will see more of the sunshine this term. Please make sure your child's jumper/cardigan is clearly labelled with their name as this will help when handing them out at the end of the day.



We spend a lot of time outside so on sunny days please make sure they have sunscreen applied before school. They can also bring in their own sun hat.

Marvellous Me!

Don't forget to 'Hi5' messages you receive. This helps me to see who is receiving them.



If you are not receiving marvellous me messages, then please let me know and I will print off your join code.

This term we will continue to work with a dance coach. We will still only be taking off our socks and shoes, they **do not** need a PE kit. Please make sure your child has shoes with either a Velcro fastening, zips or a buckle so they can take off and put their shoes back on independently.

Staff are spending lots of time fastening laces!



Just a reminder that as a school we do expect children in Reception to read at least **4 times a week**. Children who read at least 4 times each week will continue to receive a special treat on a Monday. The children really look forward to this!

Please also remember to practise your child's keywords. The expectation is that the children will be able to read their words without needing to sound them out. I have assessed your child and have highlighted the ones that they can already read by sight. You will find this in their reading folder. I have special rewards for children who can read **all** their keywords by sight.

If you have any concerns or queries, please send an email to classof2028@overfieldsprimary.org.uk and I will respond as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued support
Mrs Wilson, Mrs Dowd and Mrs Thomas