

KIRTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

TERM 1 NEWSLETTER 2023



Reception

September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

We would like to welcome you to the start of a new year. The children have already settled in well and are very busy with their daily timetable.

Our Topic

Term 1: Everyday Life

Children will have the opportunity to share things about themselves and learn all about their new friends. We will talk about family, our favourite things and ourselves.

Maths and English

In maths lessons, children will be learning about number and shape.

In order to support your child, you could talk about and point out numbers in everyday life. For example, prices in the supermarket, your house number and numbers on road signs.

In English, we will be learning how to hold our pencil correctly and begin to write our name and other letters.

In order to support your child, you could encourage writing and drawing at home. For example, writing shopping lists, writing their name, drawing and labelling a picture. Please encourage your child to hold their pencil at the bottom using their two fingers and thumb.



Encourage your child to read at home and ask them questions about what they are reading at every opportunity.

Phonics

Phonics is how we teach the children to read and spell words. We will learn new sounds each week. You will receive flashcards and a worksheet for children to practise writing and recognising the letter. Please look at these alongside your child's reading book at home.

PE

Our PE days are Wednesday (Owlets and Chicks) and Friday (Eaglets). Please ensure that your child has the appropriate PE kit. For outdoor games, the children need plain black/navy tracksuit bottoms, a plain white t-shirt, a plain sweatshirt and trainers. For indoor PE, the children need plain black/navy shorts and a plain white t-shirt.

Every item needs to be clearly labelled and in a bag that will remain in school every day. Kits will be taken home to be washed at the end of each term. No items should be taken home during the term.

Your child may bring a water bottle to school. Please ensure the bottle is clearly named and only contains water.

As we like to get outdoors a lot, please ensure your child has a pair of wellies and a waterproof coat in school at all times.

You may wish to have a change of clothes in school also as we sometimes like to get messy! Please ensure **EVERYTHING** is clearly labelled with your child's name.

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HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING THIS TERM:

Key things that parents can do to support their child this term related to things they will be learning about:

- *Visit the Kirton Primary School website and listen to a teacher sharing their favourite story. You can find this on the Support your child's learning section of the school website or by following the link below. <https://www.parliamentfederation.co.uk/kirton-primary-school/parents/support-your-childs-learning/stories-and-rhymes>*
- *Go on a shape hunt around your house and take pictures for your child to share at school.*
- *Use paint, pencils, chalk or any other mark making materials to support your child in writing their name.*

Important Dates

04.09.23 – First day of Term 1
08.09.23 – 'Bug Busting' Day
18.09.23 – Photographer in school
26.09.23 – Flu Immunisations
17.10.23 – Parents' evening 3.30-6.30pm
18.10.23 – Parents' evening 3.30-5pm
20.10.23 – Last day of Term 1
06.11.23 – First day of Term 2

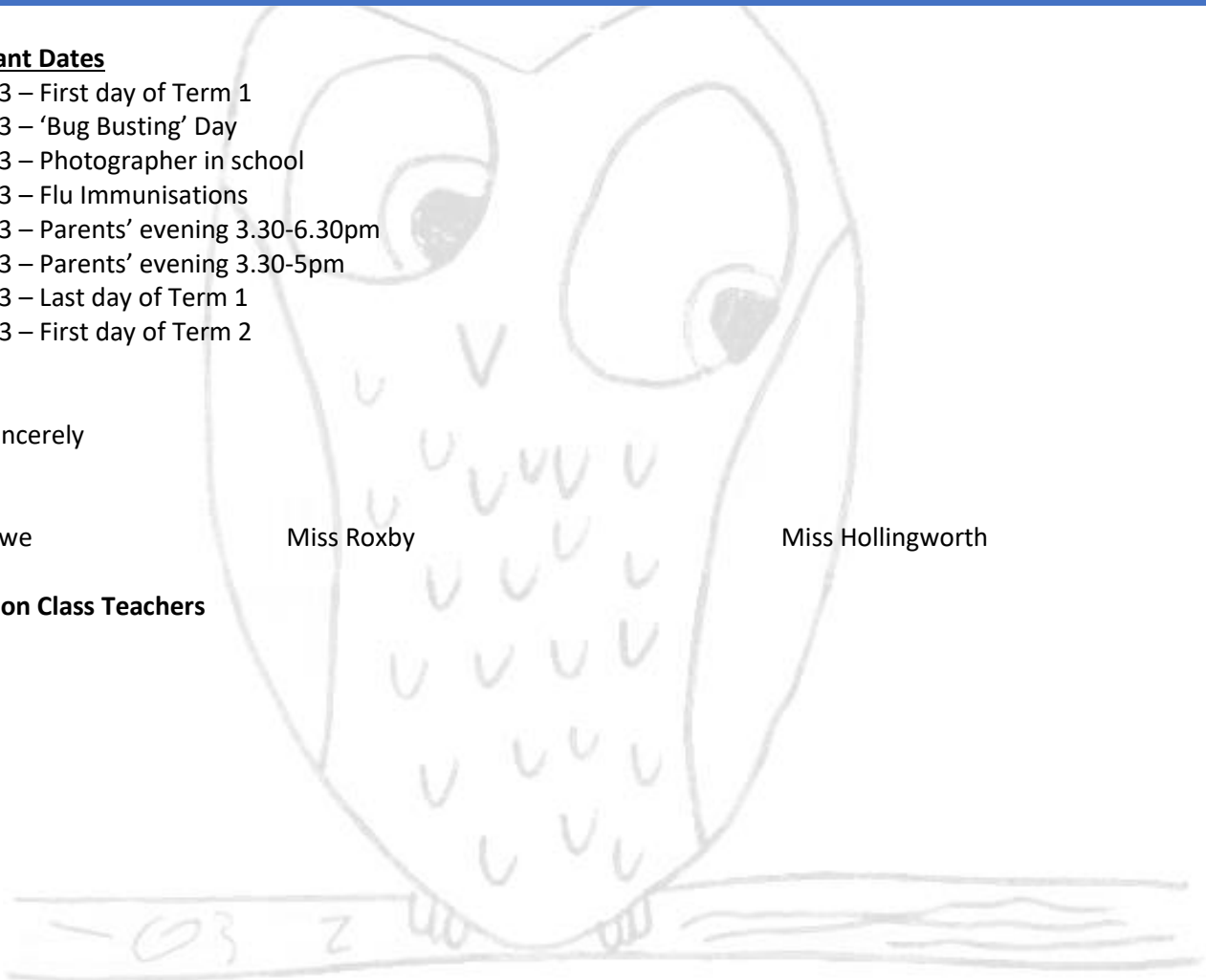
Yours sincerely

Miss Lowe

Miss Roxby

Miss Hollingworth

Reception Class Teachers



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How to make a fruit face



1. Find a selection of fruits. Ask an adult to help you cut these into different shapes.



2. Place the fruit onto your plate to make your face!



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Five little ducks song



Five little ducks went swimming one day
Over the hill and far away
Mother duck said, "Quack quack quack quack"
And only four little ducks came back!

Four little ducks went swimming one day
Over the hill and far away
Mother duck said, "Quack quack quack quack"
And only three little ducks came back!

Three little ducks went swimming one day
Over the hill and far away
Mother duck said, "Quack quack quack quack"
And only two little ducks came back!

Two little ducks went swimming one day
Over the hill and far away.
Mother duck said, "Quack quack quack quack"
And only one little duck came back!

One little duck went swimming one day
Over the hill and far away
Mother duck said, "Quack quack quack quack"
And all her five little ducks came back!

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Cut out the ducks below. Can you act out the song with your cut outs?

