

# Welcome to the Kingfishers!



Welcome to the new school year. It has been lovely starting to get to know you and your children. They all look so smart and proud in their new uniforms!

Our topic this half term is 'All about me'. We will also start to think about harvest in preparation for the Harvest Festival, more details will follow.



We will be focussing on settling in, making friends and learning the rules and routines of school life. The children have met their buddies and have enjoyed getting to know them at playtime.



The children will be having PE on Thursdays with Miss Snowling. They will be practising basic skills and learning how to use space safely.

We will be learning a new sound every day and this can be found in the yellow phonics book. Please practise the sounds with your child regularly, it really makes a difference to their progress. They will be given new books to share twice a week. Once the children are on books in the yellow band, they can change their books as often as they wish. We will remind you of this at the time. Please write in your child's Reading Record when they have shared their book with you. We will only change books when they have been shared.



There is a book swap cupboard in the cloakroom. The children are invited to bring a book they no longer want and swap it for one in the cupboard. We will also be visiting the school library every Friday afternoon where the children can choose a book to borrow for the week. Please ensure that the book is returned each week so that they can be changed.

Reading Morning will start on Friday 27<sup>th</sup>. This takes place from 8.45- 9.00. Please wait outside the classroom whilst the children are registered and then you will be invited into the classroom to share a book with your child. If you are unable to attend reading morning then we will make sure your child has someone to share a book with.

We look forward to an exciting and busy term!

Please do not hesitate to approach us with any concerns or queries.