



WHISTON WILLIS
PRIMARY ACADEMY
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Reception Class Newsletter

11.09.2026

News

Welcome to our fortnightly newsletter where we love to share the curriculum and important information. We just wanted to say a massive "Well-done" to our reception children. What a fantastic start we have had. The children have all settled so well and we are developing strong relationships to enable them to settle and start their learning journey with us.

Phonics

The children have started their phonic learning and are now familiar with Fred the Frog and talking in sounds. We will be sending home sound mats in the coming weeks and Mrs Halsall will be holding a Parent Welcome Meeting for Phonics very soon to enable you to support your children at home.

Baseline Assessment

The full EYFS curriculum will begin shortly following completion of the Baseline assessment which allows teachers to understand the children's developmental starting points.

Maths

To start maths with the children, we have been consolidating numbers to 5 and shape, space and measure through songs and practical activities indoors and out.

Other

Just to inform you, we are currently transitioning into another IT system and this has meant delays in setting up parent accounts but this should be up and running very soon.

Attendance

Ensuring the children attend school each and every day is crucial in developing peer relationships and settling into routines. The staff and I are very attentive and skilled in caring for the children and we understand that they may get coughs and colds but if they are well enough, we can support them here at school. Missing days at school at this young age can really impact them socially and emotionally and we strive to ensure that all the children are happy and settled so please work with us.

Reminders

Snack £1 weekly or £7 for this half term. Please hand to teachers at reception gates.

PE Will be on a Monday and will start 21.09.2026

Please label all items of clothing and send in wellies when you can which will be kept in school.

Thank you for your continued support and for choosing Whiston Willis Primary Academy

Mrs Halsall EYFS Lead Hedgehog Teacher Mrs Furber Hedgehog Class Teacher

Miss Chiocchi Owl Class Teacher

Miss Ackers TA Miss Arrowsmith TA