



Welcome to EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage)! We are looking forwards to getting to know your child as they begin their learning journey with us at Netherfield! The children have enjoyed their first full week, and we have lots of exciting fun learning activities planned for this half term.

If there is anything you wish to discuss then please don't hesitate to approach any of us either in person, email via the office, or over Class Dojo.

Netherfield Primary School Reception 2025

The Foundation Stage 2 Team

Fireflies

Mrs Heaven (Class Teacher)
Miss Moore (TA)

Dragonflies

Mrs Buckland (Class Teacher)
Miss Kershaw (TA)
Miss Leivers-Johnson (TA)

Key dates and extra information

18th September – Parent Phonics Meeting 3.15pm – 3.45pm (In Dragonflies Classroom)

17th October - Last day of the half term

20th October – Half Term Holiday (2 Weeks)

3rd November - Return to school

3rd & 4th November - Parents Evenings

14th November – Children in Need

12th December (pm) - Christmas Market

17th December – F2 Christmas Performance

19th December Last day of term & Christmas Activity Day

PE

PE is on a

Monday and a Friday with Mr Crone and Miss Swift. We request that Children come to school in PE kit which they will wear for the whole day. Please remember to remove earrings before children come to school.



Autumn Newsletter

Our Key Learning Questions in Autumn are:

- What are emotions and why are we important?
- My life and Family History
- How have I changed?
- Why are we special?
- How have things changed?
- Celebrations around the world.
- Seasonal Changes

Our topics enable us to explore how unique and special we all are, how things have changed and to learn about celebrations around the world. We will use a range of books and stories including:

- Colour Monster - Anna Llenas
- Super Duper You - Sophie Henn
- Peepo - Allan Ahlberg
- The Scarecrow's Wedding - Julia Donaldson
- Pumpkin's Soup - Helen Cooper

Phonics

This term we will be teaching daily phonic lessons, starting with Phase 2. We teach the children how to say and write each letter. The phoneme is how we say the letter sound and the grapheme is how we write the letter.

Reading

We want children to develop a love of reading. We read and share books every day in class and love hearing what their favourite books are. The children will read in a group three times a week which will start later in the term. They will read a book linked to their phonics ability. The children will learn how to blend and segment words to support them with their reading and also their writing

The children will also bring a 'Reading for Pleasure' book home to share with you. We know life is busy, but 10 minutes a day sharing a book together, really does make a huge impact.

Maths

In maths

the children will be learning to match, sort and compare objects and pictures. We will be talking about measure and patterns. We will also be looking at shapes and numbers up to 5. When looking at numbers, we will be counting, matching written numerals and objects and recognising 1 more and one less.

Learning Labs

In

our indoor and outdoor learning labs the children are encouraged to explore and investigate. They are able to choose what they want to explore, and their learning experience is enhanced and developed through adult open-ended questioning.