



4th September 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

Kingfisher Autumn Term Curriculum Letter

Welcome back! We are really looking forward to working with your children. We hope that you have all had an enjoyable summer holiday.

Class Visit: On Wednesday 10th September (this coming Wednesday) at 3:30pm you are invited to come and visit Kingfisher classroom and see where your child is working and how our days run.

This term we are looking forward to starting our new topics. There will be lots going on, so please check your emails and child's book bag daily for any letters and the website for our new curriculum information. Mrs Inkpen will be teaching on Mondays and Tuesdays. Mrs Leach will be teaching on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. PPA cover will be for one hour, provided by Mr Pettifer on a Tuesday and Thursday pm. During this term, Mrs Leach will take over full time when Mrs Inkpen begins her maternity leave.

Reading

The school will be continuing to use 'Little Wandle Letters and Sounds' as our phonics programme. Children will have three practise reading sessions in school with their decodable phonics book each week.

Reading at home is greatly encouraged in order to embed and secure the phonics the children will be learning in school. The children are encouraged to re-read books (at least twice) in order to build fluency and confidence with word reading. We ask that this reading is noted in their reading record so that we can monitor how your child is reading at home.

Spellings

For both year groups, spelling will be addressed through phonics and English teaching. We will not be sending home weekly tests. If you wish to support your child with their spelling, please see the list of common exception/tricky words attached.

Phonics

We will be providing a specific phonics screening check workshop in the spring term for children in Kingfisher class taking part in the assessment in June. Timings for this will be confirmed in due course. If you have any questions about phonics then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

PE

This term we have our P.E sessions on a Tuesday and a Friday. To aid transition times and to give longer for our P.E session, children will continue to come in wearing their P.E kit on these days. We would appreciate your support in ensuring that your child has the appropriate **labelled** clothing for these lessons. P.E kit is: a white school P.E t-shirt/ or plain white, black shorts

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or black jogging bottoms, a school fleece or school jumper and trainers. Children are **not** to wear football kit or other sports clothing.

Wider Curriculum.

For our topics this half term we are looking at climate and weather, seasonal changes and Myself and My Relationships.

With it being the start of the year there will be lots of information to take in, please refer to the school website and weekly newsletters, which will have details of current events. We are sure that your child will have a happy, productive and enjoyable term but should you wish to discuss any aspect of their experiences at Uptonery, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Many thanks for your continued support. We look forward to working with you throughout the year.

Yours sincerely
Mrs Emma Leach
Mrs Zoe Inkpen

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