



## Year R - Beatrix Potter Class

### Autumn 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to Cropwell Bishop Primary School! Your children have amazed us with their independence and eagerness. They have settled in brilliantly and we could not have wished for a better start.

Our first theme is *This is Me!* During this theme we will explore the topics: Me and my body; Healthy me and Super me! We will read lots of stories as part of our daily routine and these will include: The Bumble Bear, The Colour Monster and Supertato.

You will find a knowledge organiser and the homework grid attached to this letter. Our knowledge organiser shares with you and the children the enquiry questions we will be exploring this half term. On the other side you will find the key vocabulary we will be introducing and using during our learning. Any discussions at home around these questions and vocabulary will support your child's learning.

Our homework grid has a mix of activities to support your child's learning. The activities in the grey boxes are to be completed every week, whilst the other activities may take you longer to complete. We ask parents to share their child's learning on Tapestry. We are in the process of creating your accounts and as soon as these are ready, we will share the information about your child's log-in with you.



Your child has brought home their reading pack, which includes a wordless book and a home reading diary. There is a letter outlining the expectations for supporting your child with reading and information about using a wordless book. As a school we ask that you record 3 separate reading occasions in your child's diary each week. We monitor their regular reading in class by moving the children up our *reading tree*.

We ask that your child please brings their reading pack in a [blue school bookbag](#) if possible, this ensures all the children's bookbags fit into the classroom storage system. We expect the book bag to be brought to school every day as your child could be read to at different times and on different days.

We will be holding a phonics information evening at school for parents on Tuesday 8th October 4:30pm. During this event we will inform you on how to best support your child with their phonics and early reading.

Thank you for those who have already brought wellies into school. We visit the on-site woodland every week so it is always ideal to have a pair in school. We also have puddle suits which allow us to be outside on particularly soggy days.

Tuesday is our PE day. Please can you ensure that your child has a PE kit consisting of a t-shirt and shorts that remains in school. It will be sent home at the end of every half term to be washed. It is also a good idea to put spare uniform, underwear and socks in here just in case!

If you choose to send your child in with a snack for milk and snack time, please ensure it is a piece of fruit or veg only, not cereal bars. Water bottles should also be brought to school daily and contain water only, not juice or squash, as this will be replaced.

We would just like to thank you all for your support in helping your children achieve their fantastic start to school, their incredible independence is a credit to your support!

Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or queries.

Thanks again,

Mrs Bradley & Miss Maltby