



Sycamore Class Autumn 1 Newsletter

Dear Parent Carers,

A big welcome back Rigby Hall school, we are so pleased to see you! I am so excited for our upcoming year together! I am Katie, the Sycamore class teacher and our TAs this year are; Nazish and Teigan.

This half term our theme is 'Me and my family'. This is perfect as we are all going to lots of work on getting to know each other and focus on the children! In Literacy, we will be developing our speaking and listening skills, we will be working as a class and in small groups to do listening game activities. I'm really looking forward to practicing our handwriting skills too! In Maths, we will be recapping number recognition as well as our knowledge of prepositions and prepositional language. This will include lots of counting songs and exploring numbers. We also have a huge focus on our communication sessions where we will be practicing speaking, signing and listening skills everyday so we can develop the ability to communicate with others. We will also be learning to work on our play skills with each other, including sharing and taking turns.

Our PE slot will be on a Thursday morning. We really like to practice our self-help skills, getting dressed for PE. As it is the first term, please could you send your child to school in their PE kit in the morning with school uniform in their bag and we will then change them to go home. Later in the year, we will increase our skills so that we can change before and after PE. We will send their kit home for washing when needed.

We will now be doing "Muddy Mondays" for forest school and our slot will be in the afternoons. Please could your child come into school dressed in Forest School kit (jogging bottoms/trousers and a long sleeved top). If your child does not have wellies in school, please bring these in as soon as possible for us to keep in school. We will keep their wellies in school unless you request for them to be sent home.

Friday will also be "dress down Friday!" where the children can come to school in their home clothes!

If you ever have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us on the school number (01527 875475) or by writing in the home school diaries.

Thank you so much and I can't wait for our year together!

Katie, Nazish, and Teigan!