September 2014

Dear Families,

Welcome to Reception at Cathedral School. Debbie and I are very excited about having 31 smiling faces enter our classroom each day. We are welcoming children from the Cathedral School Nursery as well as 6 children from other nurseries.

Much of the Autumn term is spent getting to know the children and assisting them to make friendships within their class group. Please find attached the curriculum map that details what the children will be learning about this half term. Our school day will consist of phonics, literacy and numeracy sessions in the morning, followed by our other learning areas in the afternoon. Some areas such as ICT are found throughout the curriculum.

Below are some additional pieces of information that you may find useful to know.

* Please ensure that all items of clothing are labelled (even socks and shoes!)
* The home reading program will start in the week beginning 22nd September. It is expected that they are heard at home at least 3 times weekly and a comment written in their reading record Please ensure that they bring their school reading books and reading record to school in their bag every day, in the plastic wallet provided. Books will be changed weekly, when your child has been read with individually.
* Please ensure your child brings a transparent water bottle to school daily.
* Our main P.E lesson will be on Wednesday afternoon this term. P.E kits will be taken home every Friday. Please ensure these are returned on Monday (In case it is needed at any other time throughout the week).
* **PE kit** Please ensure your child has:
* A white t-shirt
* Navy blue shorts
* Plain black or white plimsolls
* Plain navy/black/grey tracksuit for winter
* Each week we will have ‘Show and Tell’ on a Thursday. Children can bring in something interesting (no toys please) to share with the class. This will be done on a rotation basis; you will be notified on the Monday if your child is sharing that week.
* Reception’s first Class Led Worship will be on Tuesday 25th November

If you have any other questions or queries please speak to myself or Debbie so that we can arrange an appointment to meet.

Many thanks for your continued support with your child’s learning.

Best wishes

Miss Godsell