Dear Parents/Carers,

We are delighted to report that the children have settled extremely well into Reception! We have had a very enjoyable first week together and the children have been a credit to you all.

Just a little reminder that if you would like your child to have a school fruit snack please pay £15 for the term, via ParentPay, as soon as possible.

This week the children have been finding their way around their new classroom by going on a scavenger hunt. We have been painting self-portraits for our display and practising naming numbers and sounds.

We will start P.E. lessons next week on a Wednesday and an outdoor session on Thursday or Friday with Mr Nurton. Please ensure that your child brings school P.E. kit in his/her P.E. bag consisting of a white t-shirt, black shorts/leggings/joggers, black hoodie/sweatshirt and trainers suitable for outdoor running around! Usually, P.E. bags are left in school until the end of each half term for ease of remembering them! Also, please label every item of clothing as I'm sure you will appreciate the challenge of 19 children getting changed together and organising their belongings!

We will be starting our new topic 'Happiness' next week and we would like you to help your child to upload a video to his/her Seesaw account about something that makes him/her happy. It could be an activity, a person, an animal, a toy or anything they wish! We will watch the videos in turn at the end of each day next week. We sent your child's new Seesaw code home yesterday. If you need any help please ask.

Homework

We will not be setting regular formal homework for Reception, only home reading books after the children have been assessed and put into Read Write Inc. groups in October. However, I will send home a learning letter every Thursday to inform you about what we have been learning that week so you can reinforce concepts if you would like. I will also attach links to the Ruth Miskin website for the sounds we have been learning if you would like to reinforce them.

On the next page is a handy reminder for your fridge of what your child will need each day.

Things to	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
bring to					
school:					
Weather					
appropriate					
clothing, e.g.					
Waterproof					
coat, hat,					
wellies.					
P.E. kit in					
school					
Reading					
books and					
reading					
record					
Healthy					
snack (if not					
buying					
school snack)					
and refillable					
water bottle					

Please remember that we have an open-door policy in St Brides, so if you have any queries or concerns, please come and see us.

Thank you for your support and have a lovely weekend!

Best Wishes,

Mrs Chapman and Miss Hopkins