



Antarctica Class

Welcome to Thomas Bullock!

A very warm welcome to Antarctica class, our reception class at Thomas Bullock. We are very excited to get to know you and your child over the coming weeks and forming a strong working relationship to support your child on their first steps in 'Big School'.

The adults who help us with our learning in our class are Mrs Marjoram (class teacher), Mrs Taylor (EYFS teacher) & Miss Turner (teaching assistant) Mrs Greenland teaches us for PE. Mrs Drake from Norfolk Music Hub teaches us for Music.

Should you have any queries or concerns at any time, please do get in touch with Mrs Marjoram in the first instance, via the main school office or at the end of the day.

This half term's learning:

Our topic this term is 'Marvelous Me & the World I live in'.

We will focus on transitions, making new friends, our feelings, classroom routines, managing our own personal hygiene and sharing our experiences. We will also explore the wider world around us including our families & people who help us in our local community.

We will begin learning our sounds in phonics lessons, following the Read, Write Inc. sequence. This is a very exciting time as we start to recognise and play with sounds before learning to read and write. We will be offering a parents phonics workshop very soon...keep an eye out for the published date.

Notices

Tapestry: we use Tapestry online to share and document snippets of your child's learning during reception. Please check your email inbox for a joining link, coming soon. We love to see what your child gets up to at home so please do add to this whenever you can.

Focus children: during your child's focus week, further tapestry observations will be added and your child will have their turn to share their home photos in our discussion session.

Attendance: Each day your child learns huge amounts in school with their peers and through our guided teaching sessions. In phonics, for example, we move at pace learning a new sound most days! Please speak to the office for more information.

Things to remember:

PE days will be **Wednesday's and Friday's.**

Forest School & Music will be **Friday's.**

Children are to come to school for the whole day in their PE Kit. Long hair must be tied back and earrings removed or taped.

Please, please, please make sure you name **EVERY ITEM** that belongs to your child, including shoes, uniform, drinks bottles, bookbags and coats...everything! As we're sure you will understand, it is a very busy place in school and things do get misplaced. If these items are not named, we cannot get them back to you! 30 jumpers are hard to identify without name labels.