



Our School Rules

At St John's we have 3 school rules. These are simple to remember but encompass many things:

1. **Be safe**
2. **Be kind**
3. **Be ready to learn**

We encourage children to follow these rules by talking about how they keep us safe and help us learn. We will use 2 of our woodland friends this term to help us:

Our Woodland Friends

The 'Have-a-go Mouse'	The Kind and Helpful Hedgehog
He encourages us to have a go, even when we think things are too hard or we can't do them.	She helps us remember that it is important to be kind and helpful to others.
	

How you can help at home:
 Encourage your child to try new things – new activities, new foods, new skills they are learning.
 Ask your child about who was kind to them and who they have been kind to.

Reception Class Autumn 1



This half term we will be settling into Reception and learning the routines and rules for the classroom. We will also be starting our phonics programme (ELS) and bring books home to read. We will be thinking about what makes us special and also about our families and who is in them.

Concept Cat: will be checking we know the concepts we have already learnt and teaching us about these new concepts:

- After
- Before
- Day
- Night
- Old
- New



Look out for the videos and activities on Tapestry!

Maths: We will be looking at lots of different collections of objects and matching and sorting them. We will be comparing amounts, size and quantity among other things and exploring patterns and making simple patterns.

We will start to practice subitising – this is when we can look at a collection and say how many there are without counting. We will be doing this for amounts up to 3.

Phonics: We will be starting our Phonics programme (ELS) and learning sounds in phase 2 phonics. We will learn the sound and the graphemes for these and start to read simple words (CVC). There will be a parents' workshop to explain the phonics programme and how you can help your child.

Stories we will be focusing on:



How you can help at home:

- **Read every day with your child for at least 10 minutes.**
- **Please send in a photo of your child with their family. You can add one to Tapestry or send one in. We will use these in our learning.**