

Loddington C of E Primary School
2023-2024
Autumn Newsletter
Year R/1



Welcome Phoenix Class!

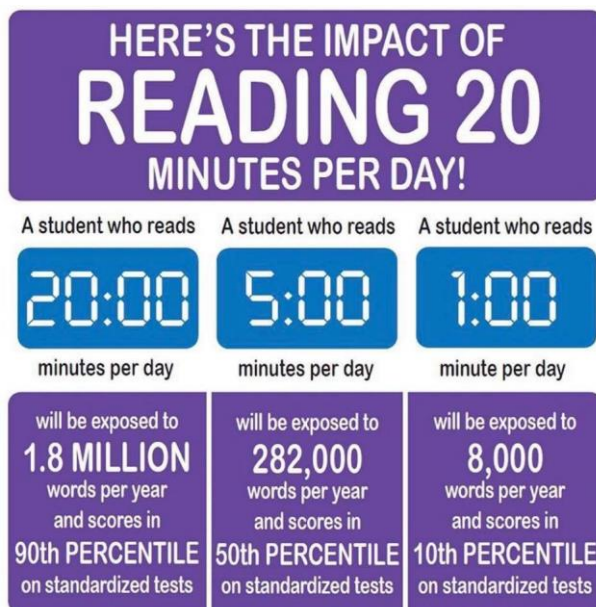
I hope you have had a lovely summer holiday and are ready to start an exciting school year. We are going to have so much fun in Phoenix class!

Curriculum

Our first topic is called 'Our SUPERselves'. During this topic we will look at all the things that makes us special and unique as we get to know our new class friends. We will also be learning the class rules and how important it is to be a kind friend. Year Ones history unit this term will look at Florence Nightingale so as a class, we will explore different occupations of 'People who help us'. Our Reception key texts for this term will be 'Rainbow Fish', 'Our class is a family' and 'Supertato'. Year Ones key text will be 'The last stop on Market Street'.

PE Day

Our PE day this year will be on a **Monday**. Please can you ensure that your child comes to school wearing their P.E kit on this day. PE kits should include a white or red t-shirt, navy or black shorts, trainers, navy or black jogging bottoms (joggers -only in cold weather).



Reading

Please read at home as often as you can, and record this in your reading diary, it is really important! Reading books need to be brought into school daily and will be changed every Friday in line with our Read, Write Inc lessons.

Reception children will bring home books with no words to begin with until they are confident with the first phase of sounds and begin to blend. This will be different for every child.

Every Friday the children will bring home 3 books - Their phonics Read Write Inc book that they have looked at in school that week, the corresponding book bag book and a book for pleasure from the library. Please keep these safe in your child's reading pack.

'Book and Biscuit' session

We would love to welcome R/1s parents into school for our weekly 'book and biscuit' sessions. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to share a book with your child in the classroom and to start the day off with a big smile! These are run **every Friday morning** starting from **Friday 15th September** from **8.40am and will finish promptly at 9.00am** so that we can begin our day of learning.

Please don't worry if you can't make it, your child will enjoy a biscuit and a story in the reading retreat! 😊

Homework

Phonics homework will be sent home weekly on a **Friday**. This is an opportunity for children to share the sounds/tricky words with you that they have learnt at school and to practise them using the same resources that we do in school.

Seesaw

Seesaw is an online platform which we will use to share your children's work and fabulous WOW moments throughout the week. You can download this onto your phone/ipad for easier use. I always love to see and hear what the children are getting up to outside of school so please do share your experiences at home as well.

Parents, if you have any questions or wish to contact me about anything, please do not hesitate to contact me on n.lever-jones@loddington.pdet.org.uk or send a message on seesaw.

Dates for the diary:

R/1s Book and Biscuit - Every Friday morning starting from Friday 15th
September 8.40-9.00am

Phonics Workshop (Year R parents) - Tuesday 26th September 2.45-
3.15pm

R/1 'People who help us' dress up day - Friday 6th October

October Half Term - Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October

Return to school Monday 30th October