



CHILTON FOLIAT PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers of Roe Class

Roe Class Welcome Letter Autumn Term 1 and 2 2026

Welcome to our first term together and what a fantastic start we have had to our school journey! 🌟

We have had a wonderful first week getting to know one another, learning each other's names, playing fun group games, and settling into our new classroom routines at a comfortable pace.

We have spent time learning our classroom routines and rules, helping us to understand how we can all work and play together happily. Our focus has been on promoting positive behaviour through our whole-school values of being 'Ready, Respectful and Safe'. The children have had lots of opportunities to practise their listening skills, follow instructions, and show that they are ready to learn.

Our curriculum theme for this Autumn term is '**Marvellous Me**', which focusses on how we are all different and unique. We will be exploring several books as part of this theme: 'What I Like About Me', 'The Colour Monster Goes To School' and 'Owl Babies'. We will also be using our senses to explore the world around us.

As the Autumn season starts, we will be exploring the season of autumn in our environment, supported by various texts 'The Leaf Thief', 'The Very Helpful Hedgehog' and 'Tidy'. Through these stories we will have opportunities for small world and role play.

Our phonics programme (**ULS -Unlocking letters and sounds**) will begin this term in Week 3 and we will write a separate letter to you outlining the order in which sounds will be introduced for terms 1 and 2. We will also provide information on reading books and a parental Phonics workshop, but in the meantime, please take a look at our website for our ethos and approach to reading. Please do read *with* and *to* your child every day as well as daily practice of the letter tiles which will be sent home from Week 3.

In **Maths**, children will be introduced to the term 'subitising' (saying how many there are in a small group of objects by 'just seeing' and knowing straightaway without

needing to count). They will have opportunities for sorting, counting, and exploring what happens when we have one more or one less. We will also be working with 2D shapes and patterns.

In **RE** (Religious Education) we will focus on 'What makes every single person unique and precious' in Term 1 and on 'Why do Christians do nativity plays at Christmas' in Term 2. Our school Christian value this term is 'Thankfulness' which provides a strong link with our work in RE and our work on autumn and harvest.

PE will be on a **Friday**, and all children should come to school dressed in their PE kit on this day. **Please remember to name** and regularly check all clothing, as we often have a number of missing items. Thank you to everyone who brought in wellies, as this means that we can take full advantage of any weather.

The Christian value we are all sharing this term is Thankfulness and around the school we are encouraging all our children to show and put into practice this important value.

Ms Joseph will continue to teach your children on Mon-Thurs, Miss Ingham will teach on Fridays. Our experienced support staff is here to support your children throughout the week.

Please do come and ask a member of the Roe team if you need any further information or just want to chat about how your child is getting along. We are always here to help.

We are looking forward to embarking on this exciting learning journey with your children.

Ms Joseph and Miss Ingham and the Roe Class Team