



Autumn 1 2022 Newsletter
Foundation 2L and Foundation 2A

This half-term, our Foundation learning theme is Families and Friends. We will spend lots of time getting to know the children and what they like to do. We will also enjoy playing and exploring our new classroom and outdoor provision. Our special story this term is Owl Babies. If you can, please read and enjoy this story together at home (there is read-aloud version on YouTube).

Welcome to our first newsletter of the academic year 2022-2023. It is exciting to be starting another year and we are really looking forward to meeting you all. As most of you know from our transition mornings, this year our foundation 2 unit will operate across two classroom spaces. One classroom will be used for extending your child’s learning and development through play, whilst the other classroom will provide a space for some of our inputs and lessons. All children will access both areas. The children will also interact will all adults in the foundation 2 unit.

Please turn the page to find out about our learning in the seven different areas of the Early Years curriculum. Of course, a major focus for us will be to commence your child’s journey into becoming a competent and enthusiastic reader. Please refer to the information about how you can help your child with reading (this was in the pack handed out during our transition days). If you would like another copy of this information or if you have any particular queries, please ask a member of the early years team.

This half term we will begin by learning the first sounds in our phonic scheme, these include; s, a, t, p, i, n, m, d, g, o, c, k and ck. We would greatly appreciate it if you could practise these sounds at home. Please see the video link for pronunciation (this video includes all phase 2 and phase 3 sounds taught during foundation 2) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UCI2mu7URBc>

Visits and Visitors

This half term we will be welcoming Rainbow Stripes who will lead music and singing sessions.

<u>Reminders</u>	
5 th and 6 th Sept	INSET days
7 th -9 th Sept	Part-time induction (AM or PM session)
WC 12 th Sept	All children to attend during morning and for lunch
WC 19 th Sept	Full-time attendance

How Can You Help?

If you have **photographs** of your child with their family or celebrating special events we would love to share them with the class. Please bring in a photograph for us to photocopy or email the photograph to foundation2@huntingdonacademy.co.uk. We would also love any photos of your child as a baby- this will help us to make our class timeline.

Other

Make and Bake – To contribute towards our cookery and food tasting sessions, we ask parents for a donation of £1.50 each half term to help us buy our ingredients.

Seesaw – We will be using Seesaw as a means of communicating with you throughout the year. It is also a way for you to see what we have been busy doing at school. Your engagement with this would be greatly appreciated.

Drop-off and collection – Please use gate 4 to drop off your child in the morning and to collect them at the end of the day. A member of the team will come down and unlock

We will be having PE on a Monday.
Please send your child to school
wearing their PE kit on this day. On every other day, please ensure your child attends school in our school's uniform. Please see the website for further details on this.

the gate at 8.40am and then again at 2.55pm. Please make sure you are on-time to drop off and collect your child. We want to begin learning straight away. It can also be very distressing after school for children when their parents/carers do not arrive promptly.

We value the support of all parents and carers. If you feel that you can help in any way with the work we are covering then please let us know or if you would like any further information regarding this term's curriculum please do not hesitate to contact school. Thank you.

Miss Lindsey (F2L key adult)

Miss Andrew (F2A key adult)

Mrs Vaughan (Deputy Head teacher and EYFS lead)