

FOUNDATION 1

(NURSERY)



NEWSLETTER

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What's New...



**A HUGE AND WARM WELCOME TO JOHN HUNT ACADEMY!
WE ARE SO HAPPY YOU ARE HERE!**

Hello! I am Miss Cook, the class teacher, and I'm joined by my wonderful teaching assistant, Miss Hughes. We're so excited to welcome you to nursery at John Hunt Academy! We've been busy getting the classroom ready and planning lots of exciting experiences for the children.

Our topics for this term will be 'Marvellous Me' and 'Celebrations'. We will be working on all areas of the children's development through learning about our emotions, bodies, family and friends, people who help us and different celebrations such as Diwali and Bonfire Night and Christmas!

In Mathematics, we will focus on quickly recognising up to 3 objects without counting, reciting numbers beyond 5, and counting objects in order up to 5.

In Literacy, we will learn through nursery rhymes and popular stories whilst also beginning to look at some name recognition and self-registration.

As children begin their school journey, developing self-care and independence skills becomes really important. At school, we spend a lot of time supporting the children with this - talking to them and modelling how to take care of themselves and their belongings.

We kindly ask that you continue encouraging this at home too. Helping your child practise things like using a knife and fork, dressing themselves, putting on their shoes, socks, and coat, and becoming more independent with toileting really makes a big difference.

Together, we can help your child grow in confidence and independence!

Friendly Reminders

Water

Please ensure your child comes to school with a named water bottle every day. They will have access to this throughout their session.

Tapestry

We hope that you will enjoy using Tapestry as much as we do! It is a great way of keeping up to date with what your child is doing each week and enables you to share experiences from home. If you have any questions regarding Tapestry please do not hesitate to see a member of the Foundation Stage 1 team. If you have not yet joined Tapestry please let a member of staff know and we are happy to help!

Bags

Your child will need a named bag in school every day. This not only takes care of them but promotes independence so your child can bring them to and from school themselves.

Uniform

Please make sure all uniform, water bottles and book bags are labelled. This is very important in school as it helps us return items to you at the end of the day and avoids items being lost or misplaced.

Milk

All children are entitled to free school milk until the age of 5. Although at home they may not be enthusiastic about drinking milk, it can be a different case when they are in school and their friends have some too! We do talk to the children about having a balanced diet and how milk helps with growth and development- particularly with strong teeth and bones. The information on how to access the free school milk can be found in the school pack or alternatively speak to a member of staff.



Timings

The F1 gate opens at 08:30 for the morning session and 12:30 for the afternoon session. The gate will remain open for 10 minutes at the start of the session to allow the children to independently come into school. Please try to develop these routines with your child so that they are part of the important welcome session at school. After this time, the gate will close and any late arrivals will need to come through the main school office.

We are so excited for this term with the children! Please do not hesitate to get in contact if you have any questions - communication is very important to us, especially in EYFS - no question is a silly question!

The Foundation 1 Team.

