



# TOUCANS CLASS NEWSLETTER



## WELCOME TO RECEPTION!

We're so excited to welcome you and your children to the start of their school journey! This is a very special time filled with new experiences, friendships, and lots of learning through play. Over the coming weeks, we'll be helping the children settle into their new routines and explore all the wonderful things our classroom has to offer. We're looking forward to working closely with you to make this a happy and exciting year for your child.

### TAPESTRY

Please speak to us if you are not active on the Tapestry App. We share information on here so it is really important that you can access it. Some moments of learning will also be shared on here for you to view. We love to see any learning that happens at home so would love for you to add your own posts to Tapestry – using the 'add observation' tool.



### MEET THE TEAM:



Miss Conner  
Class Teacher



Miss Olsen  
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Parker  
Teaching Assistant

Please remember to label all of your child's clothing, including coats, jumpers and hats, to help us return any lost items quickly and easily. We also kindly ask that toys from home be kept at home, as they can get lost or broken and can cause distractions in the classroom. Thank you for your support in helping us create a focused and organised learning environment for the children.

### BASELINE

The Government Baseline is a short, one-on-one assessment that takes place in the first few weeks of Reception. It helps schools understand each child's starting point in early maths, language, and communication, so they can support their learning as they grow. It's not a test and children often don't even realise they're being assessed – it's done through simple, fun activities.



### PE

We will be doing PE on a **Friday**. Please ensure your child is wearing the appropriate PE uniform.

### Keeping Healthy

Children can bring in a bottle of **water** each day and a **healthy snack** they can have at break time



### COFFEE AND CONVERSATIONS

An opportunity to enjoy a cup of coffee while discussing important topics related to your child's first year at school, share experiences, ask questions and build a supportive community. These sessions aim to strengthen the home-school partnership and ensure that parents feel informed and involved as their children begin their learning journey.

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2.30pm**

### DATES FOR THE DIARY:

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2.30pm – Coffee and conversations

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2.15pm – Harvest Festival

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October – End of term

If you have any anything, you wish to talk to a member of the Year R team about, please do come and see us after school when we have dismissed all the children, contact us using our new email address or arrange an appointment at the office. The email address is [toucans@egerton.kent.sch.uk](mailto:toucans@egerton.kent.sch.uk) The year R team, as well as Mrs Head, will be monitoring this regularly.