

# Thames View Infants



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## This Week in Reception!

Dear Parents/Carers;

Hello I'm Adam Dobson, I'm the teacher of Lions and I am the Head of EYFS. If you missed last week's letter here are some Key messages.

Every week on a Friday we will send out a letter telling you what's ahead for your child. I wanted to make sure that you know what's going on in school as children don't always tell you what they've learnt, what activities they've been doing or even who they played with.

Remember communication is so important. If you're worried, unsure about anything or would just like to know how your child is learning, feel free to pop in and see us! It's good to talk

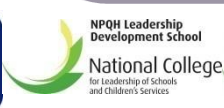
- Please read with your child for 10-15 minutes everyday. Reading at home is so important, particularly for young children.
- Your child we need their Yellow Book Bag in School every day.
- If you lose something from your book bag, tell us and we'll replace it as quickly as possible.

As always, please come and see us if you'd like more information on the learning your child is working on. We can help you with tips on things to do at home.



### Please remember:

- ✓ Check ParentMail regularly
- ✓ Children need their names written in everything they wear
  - Names on bags and water bottles too
- ✓ No hooped earrings (we recommend no studs either)
- ✓ Yellow school book bags everyday
- Parent-Teacher meetings coming soon:
  - ✓ Booking by ParentMail only



We're a PAPERLESS School – so you must download & register your **ParentMail App** to receive e-newsletters, to book after-school clubs & Parents' meetings or to confirm consent for educational visits.

Each week I will share a selection of my favourite Reception themed Tweets in the light blue box below. If you already use Twitter, or haven't yet joined, it's a great way to keep up to date with what's going on in Reception and the school as a whole. We'd also love to hear about the fun you have at home together.

Follow me: @AdamDobsonTVI, Deputy Head Claire Smith @ClaireTVI and Head Teacher Paul Jordan's account @TVInfants for more TVI Twitter information

## Twitter highlights from this week's learning

Here are some pictures from this past week in Reception



If you want to see more of what is happening in Reception, sign up to Twitter and follow: @AdamDobsonTVI, @TVInfants, and @ClaireTVI

Please have a little look at the blue box below. I will be putting something new in it each week for you to do. Sometimes it will be about what parents can do, other times it will be for children to make something with you. Please read and enjoy the different activities and let me know how it goes. Remember to tweet pictures too!



### Family Learning Together

Encourage your child to draw a picture of your family, and then talk about it with them. If they can, ask them to try and write their name.

Don't forget to tweet a picture and tag us too! ☺  
@TVInfants, @AdamDobsonTVI

We hope you'll find this information helpful.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Adam Dobson'.

Adam Dobson

*Head of EYFS, Reception Leader*



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Reception Timetable WB: 27th September	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:55 - 9:10	<b>School starts at 8:55am</b> <i>Welcome and settling period. Children change, then read, their reading book.</i>				
9:10 - 9:30	We are learning our routines				
	I can listen to instructions and remember what group I am in	I can listen to words that rhyme	I can match the rhyming words	I can identify which shape is the odd one out	I can help tell our class puppet what the class rules are
9:30 - 11:30	Free Flow Activities (inside)				
	We will develop our social and communication skills by role playing in the 'home corner'.				
	Children can explore the small world and construction area engaging in imaginative and creative play.				
	Directed Activities:				
	Children match shapes to form a pattern	We will explore dinosaurs and natural materials	Children will use scissors to cut straws that they can thread onto string	We will practise our ICT skills and draw pictures on the PC	Children will play a shape sorting game
	Freeflow Activities (outside):				
	Children will experiment with different size containers and tools. They can explore measuring, pouring, emptying and filling. We will use appropriate language to describe what we are doing.				
11:30-11:45	ICT/Music/Circle time				
	ICT: I can use the mouse to draw a picture	Music: I can join in with the Teddy Bear song	ICT: I can use the mouse to draw a picture	Music: I can join in with the Teddy Bear song	Circle time: I can talk about circle time rules
11:45-1:00	Lunch:				
	We will be helping the children to choose a healthy meal. We will encourage them to try new foods and supporting them using their cutlery and tidying their tray away.				
1:00-13:30	Maths				
	We will begin our maths lessons this week. Children will be learning to identify different 2D shapes. Each child will also complete a small group activity led by the teacher and the teaching assistant during the week.				
13:30-14:45	Freeflow:				
	The same activities as the morning freeflow session.				
14:45-15:15	After freeflow children help tidy up cooperatively and learn how to look after our resources. We then read a story together before getting ready to go home.				
Home time	You can talk to your child about the activities they have been doing and perhaps get them to show you. Please read with your child and encourage them to talk about what they can see in the pictures.				