Dear Reception Families,

Our first 2 days of our first week have flashed past so quickly!

We have had the best time being back in school with your
fabulous children, who have come to class with such positivity and happiness, and we can't wait to see everyone again next week.

The first 4-6 weeks in Reception class we focus on assessing the children's skills, so that we can adapt our future teaching to suit their individual needs and personalities. We have started by asking the children to draw a picture of themselves, although most wanted to include mummy, daddy and a brother or sister too. (This was lovely as it shows how special family are) and to write as much of their name as they know. We also sang a Days of the Week song and read all about Doug the Bug and The Biggest Kiss. We went out to Coed Cadno and collected leaves and twigs to create some very cute hedgehog pictures too. They have had time to play and chat with friends and everything has been a buzz of activity.

It is thirsty work in school so, to ensure the children keep hydrated throughout the day, could I please ask for a clearly named drink bottle to come into school as well as a lunchtime drink. If this extra drink is carried into school in their hand (not in their bag as lunch bags go straight into the hall) then the children can just put it straight by the class sink, where they will have access to it throughout the day.

Could I please ask for you to have a chat at home to your child about our class topic, 'Animals All Around Us' to find out and write down up to 5 questions they might have about different British native animals, habitats, eating habits etc. These questions will be what we base our class Topic learning around. E.G What do hedgehogs eat?

This week has shown everyone is settling into the class, getting to know new friends, new adults and learn new routines, and everyone has done so with willingness and a smile. Perfect ♥

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and thank you for such a welcoming first week.

Many thanks,

Mrs Howard, Mrs Dolbear & Mr McNaughton.

