



# Gayton Church of England Primary Academy

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## **Autumn 1 - Class News**

### Topic - Marvellous Me

We will be focusing on ourselves, where we live and how we are similar/different to each other. We will be looking at how we have developed since we were babies and how we can help the world we live in. We will of course follow children's interests too. Our topic finale will be a talent show where children will have the opportunity to show us a talent! More information to follow.

### Summer Tasks

Please bring your 'All about me book' on your first day, if you have completed it. We will share these together as a group. Please do not worry if you have not managed to complete these.

### Reading Books

Children will receive a reading book within the first few weeks. Please do not panic if your child receives a picture book to begin with. We can learn so much about a child's reading ability from using books without any words! Please hear them read every day, where possible, and write in their reading record. They will receive Dojo points for reading at home! Once children begin blending we will then match the books home with their phonic knowledge to support them at home. Your child will be heard reading in school at least 3 times a week.

### PE

We will have PE on a Tuesday afternoon. Please send your child to school wearing their PE kit every Tuesday. They should wear their school shoes. To begin with we will be doing PE in the hall. They will need to wear plimsolls for this. Their plimsolls can be left at school. Please ensure these are named as plimolls are quite generic! If your child wears earrings please remove them in the morning.

### Spare Clothes

Please ensure your child has a bag of spare clothes in school at all times. This does not have to be uniform but could be plain leggings/jogging bottoms, underwear, a top such as a polo shirt and a hoody/jacket/jumper. This is helpful if they have any accidents or play enthusiastically in the water tray!

### Settling in

We focus on settling in, exploring our classroom and learning the rules and routines. Once children are settled we will undertake a baseline assessment of their knowledge. From this we can plan for each child's individual needs and interests. We look forward to learning more about them during their home visits.

### Drinks

Every child should bring a named water bottle to school. This should be plain still water. Thank you.

### Teachers

Mrs. Edwards will be teaching Monday to Thursday and Mrs. Baker teaches on a Friday. Mrs. Perrin is an experienced cover supervisor and is there to help everyday too!

### Other

Long hair should be tied up for school. School lunches are ordered, by the children, during our morning register. They do not need to pre-order. Lunches are free until Year 3! If you would like your child to have a particular lunch please let us know otherwise we order what the children ask for. Please do not bring any teddies/toys with you. We have so many things to play with in our classroom!

Any questions or concerns please just ask. Thank you.

Mrs. Edwards