



25 September 2015

Reception Family Workshop

Dear Parents and Carers of:

**All of Maple Class, and
Birch Class - only those whose children's surnames begin with A - K inc**

The staff at Blossomfield are committed to working with parents as partners in education and with this in mind we would like to invite you to a curriculum family workshop. This session aims to build the confidence of parents and school in working more effectively together, to increase parental involvement in their child's learning at home and to raise levels of achievement. We believe that this approach will bring teachers and parents closer together; giving them a better understanding of each other and children's learning. Your child's session will take place on:

Wednesday 7th October at 9.00am - 10.00am - Phonics & Reading

On this occasion we will be concentrating on the teaching and learning of phonics and reading. During the first 20 minutes teachers will share information with parents about how phonics and reading are taught. For the remainder of the session children will work with their adult on an activity to support learning in these areas. The aim is to produce a bank of ideas that you and your child can use at home in order to continue to practise phonics and reading skills at home.

This is an opportunity to spend quality one to one time with your child and their teacher in the school setting, working on an aspect of the curriculum. The expectation is that a parent/carer or other adult, for example a Grandparent, will come into school to work with each child. The nature of this activity means that younger siblings will not be able to attend. Unfortunately, on this occasion Orchids are not able to offer a crèche facility.

The session will take place in the school hall and teachers will be ready to begin promptly at 9am. If an adult is unable to attend, your child will not take part in the activity in the hall but will work with a classroom assistant in the classroom on a similar activity. We very much look forward to seeing you there and would ask that you please fill in and return the attached slip to a member of staff or to the school office.

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Childs Name:

Class:

I will be attending the family workshop

Name of adult attending:

I will not be attending the family workshop

Signature: