



29 April 2016

Reception Family Workshop

Dear Parents and Carers

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 18 May - for ALL of MAPLE class and those children in BIRCH class whose surnames begin with A-K inclusive.

Thursday 19 May - for ALL of HOLLY class and those children in BIRCH class whose surnames begin with L-Z inclusive.

On this occasion we will be concentrating on the teaching and learning of writing. During the first 20 minutes teachers will share information with parents about how writing is taught. For the remainder of the session children will work with their adult on an activity to support learning in writing. The aim is to produce a bank of ideas that you and your child can use at home in order to continue to practise writing 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, and while our building work is in progress Orchids are unable to offer a crèche facility to younger siblings.

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: