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Dear Reception Parents/Carers,

Reception Fund - Voluntary Contributions

Our Reception Fund

I am writing to confirm the organisation for Reception fund payments.

The provision for the Reception curriculum is funded through the school budget however, Reception fund payments enable the range of activities and experiences which go to provide the enriching, stimulating start to education that our Reception class provides.

We do hope all parents will be able to contribute to the fund and in this way provide us with the means to continue to provide the range of activities, which give our children such a super start to their education. I am aware and appreciative, as Head teacher, of what a special, high quality education the children have in our Reception class.

Reception Fund

£2 per week (e.g. if there are 13 weeks in a term, Reception Fund for that term is £26)

Reception Fund should be paid online via the school's payment system www.eduspot.co.uk. You will receive a text/email to notify when the payment is available and periodic reminders.

Since items are usually purchased in advance and through 'bulk buying' we ask for the fund contributions to made whether a child is in school or is absent. Listed below are examples of items funded from previous Reception Fund contributions:

- Resources to enhance topics/books/special events throughout the year e.g. Harvest, Christmas, Shrove Tuesday, Chinese New Year, Diwali, Easter, The Gingerbread Man, The Little Red Hen, Book Week, Children in Need, Comic Relief etc.
- Items for Science activities e.g. bulbs, seeds, plants/flowers, compost, batteries, light bulbs, food, live caterpillars
- Sand and topsoil for outside classroom
- Snack including foods linked to topics e.g. Chinese food, hot cross buns, toast, cereal, porridge etc.
- Cooking ingredients e.g. bread, curry, cakes, biscuits, flapjacks, pancakes, soup, fruit kebabs, pizza, gingerbread men etc.
- Ingredients to make Play Dough e.g. flour, salt, oil, food colouring etc.
- Art and Craft materials e.g. paint, paper/card, glue, feathers, sequins, buttons, lolly sticks, sewing kits etc. (The
 younger children use much more than other classes!)
- Role Play resources e.g. House, Construction Area, Garden Centre, Baby Clinic etc.
- Maintenance and replacement of equipment and resources
- Stickers
- Books

We really appreciate your support with this, as without it, we would be unable to continue to make the children's learning so creative and exciting. Sincere thanks in advance for your help and co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Taylor Headteacher