

Here at Hardwick and Cambourne, relationships are key and working closely with parents we aim to give children the best start in life. We celebrate and record children's learning and 'wow' moments in a book called a '[Learning Journey](#)' which documents children's progress, learning and achievements throughout the year. We share this Learning Journey with parents regularly, making them an integral part of this process.

We are aware that lots of milestones are met outside of school during the Reception year and we value and want to share in these alongside our families. As well as learning journey's we use '[Seesaw](#)'. Seesaw is a website/app that allows two-way communication in a secure manner between school and families. It allows all children to have their own account, set within their class. It provides a private platform between you and your child's teaching team. We share regular highlights on Seesaw so that parents are kept up to date and get a flavour of what children have been learning about or something that we have been busy doing.

We encourage parents to use Seesaw regularly to share any learning, achievements or exciting happenings at home. Therefore we suggest all parents to enable notifications on their Seesaw account/device so they never miss the latest Reception news.

There is a home user guide for children and families.

We recognise that when we work in partnership with parents, children learn more successfully and that is why we try to engage with our families and start to build this relationship from day one. The '[All About Me](#)' form which we ask parents to complete alongside their child is a really useful tool that helps us to get to know children quickly and forms the start of their learning journey. This alongside [pre-school visits](#) and a [home visit](#) in September all help to quickly establish a positive, effective and enabling relationship. Throughout the year we hold [parent workshops](#) in Phonics and Maths so that parents can better understand and support children in their learning and there are opportunities throughout the year where parents are invited into school.

[Parent Consultations](#) will take place once in the Autumn term and once in the Spring term. A written report will be provided at the end of the Reception year.

The Early Years team are always readily available to discuss anything and whilst the start and ends of the days can be busy we will book a time to talk. You can reach us face to face on the classroom door or email the school office.

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