



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Atlantic Academy, we are looking forward to having a fun and exciting year together.

This term our topic is 'All About Me'. This topic provides the perfect opportunity for all of the children to introduce themselves and to learn about the similarities and differences between themselves and their new friends.

Our main focus is to help your child feel settled into school and to make sure that they feel safe and have an enjoyable start to their school life. Reception is a continuation of the Early Years Curriculum, where the children will be learning through play and exploration. As the year continues we move onto more formal lessons to prepare them for their future transition into Year 1.

If you have any enquiries or questions please don't hesitate to ask a member of the Early Years Team.

Mr Blanthorn, Miss Neve, Mrs Denning and Miss Baker

### OUR DRIVING QUESTION:

### What makes you, you?

**IN WRITING** we will be learning how to write our first names and letter formation for letters of the alphabet.

**IN MATHEMATICS** we will be checking our number recognition and ordering skills. We will also begin to look at 2D shapes.

**IN PHONICS** we will be identifying sounds within our environment and will complete oral segmenting and blending tasks.

**IN EXPRESSIVE ARTS AND DESIGN** we will be creating self portraits and will be drawing pictures of our family and friends.

**IN COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE** we will be developing the language that is used to describe ourselves and others.

**IN UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD** we will be learning about our similarities and differences and explore what makes us unique.

**IN PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT** we will be learning about school and how to interact appropriately with others. We will be introducing the children to the school rules and shall be making our own class charters.

**IN PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT** we will be having an introduction to P.E with the Fundamental Movement Skills of: running, dodging, skipping, hopping, jumping and balancing - incorporating the basics of Athletics out on the school field.

### THINGS TO REMEMBER

Please make sure all items of uniform and water bottles are clearly labelled.

- On a **Tuesday**, Reception children must come to school wearing their PE kit which they will stay in all day. No jewelry please or hoodies.
- On a **Wednesday**, Reception children must come to school with wellies, spare shorts or trousers and socks (in a bag) for **Beach School** sessions.