



WOODMANSEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Reception New Starters Evening





Welcome to our foundation unit!

- We look forward to meeting you...
- Find out more about us!





The focus in our foundation unit is a smooth transition from nursery; feeling secure, healthy, and happy, being independent, making relationships, learning through play; alongside short structured phonics, reading and writing activities, maths games, environmental walks, story, singing, and get together times.





WE'RE ALWAYS BUSY!

WE ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD
TO TRY A RANGE OF NEW
EXPERIENCES...



Things to remember

- All clothing needs to be **clearly labelled**.
- Water bottle, clearly labelled, provided free in the first instance.
- PE kit for Friday mornings- black shorts, white T shirt in PE bag, all **clearly labelled**. This can remain in school on your child's peg.
- Book bag with reading book (a small key ring makes it easy for your child and staff to manage) Please check daily for letters and pictures!
- Easy to manage uniform on PE days.
- Encourage your child to come into the cloakroom independently. Staff are on hand to help with coats and bags!



Phonics, reading and writing

- Daily phonics sessions of around 20 minutes, whole class and in groups. Tuning into sounds, then letters and sounds.
- Daily guided reading, writing, or letter formation.
- Simple wordless books to focus on book handling skills and enjoyment of stories, then simple texts following phonics taught.
- Red reading record for parents and carers to add comments and sign each day.
- Online books and reading activities.

Opportunities for writing at home

- Ensure teaching sounds correctly at home -e.g. 'b' not 'buh', 'c' not 'cuh', 'ss' not 'suh' etc
- Signing cards, writing shopping lists, postcards
- Special book (pink)
- Information meetings for parents



Mathematical learning

- Daily guided maths session followed by free choice maths activities and challenges.
- Count and subitise (see small amounts without counting) with your child – stairs, buttons, cars, anything!
- Notice and talk about numerals, small amounts, and shapes around you.
- Food preparation, cooking, laying the table, jigsaws, family games such as dominoes and snakes and ladders are brilliant for mathematical learning.



Preparation before starting Reception

Things to practise-

- Ensuring good personal hygiene routines, going to the toilet independently, flushing, and washing hands.
- Using a knife and fork independently.
- Practise dressing independently, putting on coats, shoes and wellies, managing buttons, Velcro and zips. Avoid novelty shaped buttons.
- Lots of fine-manipulative activities such as threading, mixing, playdough, colouring, inset jigsaws, using one handed tools such as scissors, brushes, garden implements, to build muscle memory and control.
- Ensure your child tidies away after play, this is an essential part of learning!
- Read, chat and play with your child every day.



What to expect when your child starts Reception...

- Your child will be tired after a busy day learning new routines and enjoying new experiences...
- Do not worry if your child does not want to talk to you about their day....wait until they are ready!



See Twitter,
Facebook and
blog for more
information.

Accessing further information

- Staff are in the cloakroom to assist children managing their belongings at the start of the day, but messages can be communicated via email from 8am.
- Staff can chat after school but allow staff to see all children to their parent/carer first.
- Please look out for parent weekly emails, texts, school newsletter.
- Your child's Learning Journey shared at events and parent consultations.
- Parent consultation evenings in October and February, with a final report in summer term.

•Staff team

- Ms Eastwood
class teacher



- Miss Peacock
nursery nurse



- Mrs Doyle
teaching assistant



We are here to support you in preparing for this exciting new chapter in your child's education. Please get in touch if you have any further questions.

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