

Wheelwright Lane Primary and Nursery School

Welcome to Reception and Nursery



Reception Induction Day: Thursday 5th July

This is an informal opportunity for the children to come into school and familiarise themselves with their new surroundings and friends.

There will be two sessions which you can choose from:

- 9.00-11.00
- 1.00-3.00 We are happy for the children to wear their own clothes or uniform whichever they feel comfortable in.

There is no need to provide anything from home as we will ensure they have a drink and a snack.

You are welcome to stay and settle your child in but please remember long goodbyes are distressing for parents and children!

If your child is still becoming more independent using the toilet please could you supply a change of underwear and clothes just in case of any accidents.

Please remember to collect your child promptly at the end of the session from the Reception gate.

Nursery Induction Day: Thursday 5th July

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There will be one session:

- · 1.30-3.00
- We are happy for the children to wear their own clothes
- There is no need to provide anything from home as we will ensure they have a drink and a snack.
- You must stay with your child for the whole session to meet the staff and familiarise yourselves with the environment



Our curriculum.

The Early Years Foundation Stage focuses on 7 areas of learning and our classroom is organised to accommodate these.

There are 3 'prime areas'

- communication and language;
- physical development;
- personal, social and emotional development.



Our curriculum.

- Providers must also support children in four specific areas, through which the three prime areas are strengthened and applied. The specific areas are:
- literacy;
- mathematics;
- · understanding the world; and
- expressive arts and design.



Our curriculum.

Characteristics of Effective Learning
We will hold a monthly Assembly to promote and
celebrate children's learning behaviours. These
will be held on a Friday and will alternate between
AM and PM.

· Online Journals

From September we will be moving to an on-line system. We will give you more information as soon as we have it. To implement this we will need a current email from each family.

First Weeks of school!

From Tuesday 4th September the children will start for a morning or an afternoon session in Reception. The session times are 9.00-11.00 or 1.10 - 3.10.

Reception parents, we will ask you to sign for a session which suits you and we will try to accommodate this. Details of which session your child will attend will be given to you at your home visit.

Nursery children and their parents, are welcome to come to play and stay sessions during the first week of term (4-7th September 1-3pm). We will also be carrying out home visits this week in the morning. We will ask you to sign up for a time this evening.

From Monday 10th September Reception children will start full time in their class. We will be flexible in the afternoon. The reception gate will be open from 2.45 for you to collect your child from that time onwards for the first term.

Nursery children will settle at their own pace and staff will discuss with you.

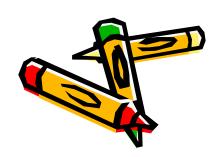
Please bring your child in through the Reception or Nursery classroom side entrance. Again you are welcome to stay for a little while and liaise with the Teams. When the bell goes that will be the start of the school day. Doors open at 8.45am, unless attending wraparound (7.45am).

From September 2014 ALL Reception and KS1 children have received Universal Free School Meals. We offer hot and cold choices and expect that all children will take up this offer. We are aware that this may not suit all children and ask that you speak to us before they start in September and we can make further arrangements.

Nursery children still have to pay or bring their own lunch.

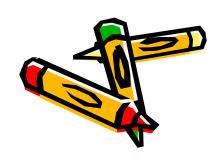


- Our children self register. That means they take their name card and place it against the correct hot meal or sandwiches choice or show they are having a packed lunch.
- We will safely hand over the Reception children to you from 2.45pm until 3.15 during the first half term. Please let the Reception team know who is picking your child up that day!
- Nursery children may also be collected earlier with discussion with the staff.



- Uniform: please ensure all items of clothing are named! PE kit of blue t-shirt, plimsolls and black shorts can be left in school in a named PE bag. As the children sit on the carpet in the classroom we ask that standard school shoes only must be worn - NO boots.
- Book Bags: These are available at a cost of £5.00 each from Mrs Hull. All correspondence will be sent home in these so please check them every day! It is sufficient to only have a book bag and not necessary to bring a large rucksack.
- Nursery children will be provided with a PE bag to be used for a change of clothes - peg spaces are limited so no rucksacks please in Reception and Nursery.

- Outdoor classroom: The children learn in the outdoor classroom whatever the weather so will need appropriate clothing each day. A suitable outdoor coat, hats and gloves in the winter etc. Also a pair of wellington boots, preferably in a carrier bag, to be left on the coat peg along with the PE kit.
- If the weather is still good in September please ensure your child has a hat and sun cream in their bag.
- Nursery children have waterproof clothing supplied by the school for outdoor use.



 Milk: All nursery children and four year olds will be given free milk each day. If you do not wish your child to receive free milk please inform Mrs Hull this evening. When your child turns five, milk is still available but you will have to pay. You will be sent a letter from Cool Milk nearer the time.

Toileting (Reception):

Please begin to prepare your child to be able to clean themselves after going to the toilet. Staff will be able to deal with the odd accident. If you have any worries please speak to staff straight away. Also promote the washing of hands and good basic hygiene - we will be reinforcing this in September.

Toileting (Nursery)

In nursery we don't expect all children to be toilet trained. As children come in all shapes and sizes we ask you to provide appropriate nappies and wipes (in your child's blue bag). When you and your child are ready to take the next step we will work with you and support your child in the toilet training process.



- Weekly newsletters are issued via email service these keep everyone up to date with all aspects of the school - training dates etc.
- We use text messaging service to update and inform parents.
- Information evenings for parents will be planned throughout the year to support parents understanding of phonics, guided reading etc.
- Phonics evening (essential) Thursday 13th July 3.30 or 5.30 start.



- Concerns: The Reception and Nursery team are available at the beginning and end of the day, as is Mrs Browne. Any admin/money queries can be dealt with by Mrs Hull or Mrs Farndon in the main school office. No worry is too small not to share! On-line payment system available (website)
- Absence: It is really important that if your child is too poorly to attend school or nursery you telephone Mrs Hull in the Office.
- Our number is 02476 364505 opt 3
- Website: All school information including this booklet will be available on our website <u>www.wheelwrightlane.warwickshire.sch.uk</u>

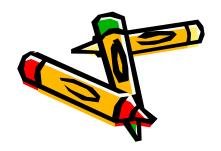


Pupil Premium Funding

- The Government have extra funding for children whose parents are in receipt of benefits. £1320 is allocated for your school age child to help with their learning. We would encourage all parents to check to see if they are eligible for this funding by going onto the school website.
- Mrs Harris and Mrs Foxall will discuss this with you at your home visit. The ICT suite is open this evening if you wish to fill out the online form tonight.

30 hour funding

- Those families wishing to take advantage of the 30 hours funding need to apply online at:
- www.childcarechoices.gov.uk
- You will then need to provide the nursery with your eligibility code, forms available tonight. It is essential that we have this before the Summer holidays or we will not be able to claim for the Autumn term.
- If you have a two year old and wish to access the 2Help funding you need to apply at:
 - www.warwickshire.gov.uk/childcarecosts
- You will receive a letter which you need to bring into nursery to confirm your eligibility, again we need to see this before the Summer holidays.



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Safeguarding

- · It is our duty to ensure that all children are kept safe.
- There may be times when we have a concern about your child. We will discuss this with you to ensure your child's safety and well-being.
- We work closely with all Children's Services in Coventry and Warwickshire to support you and your family.
- If you are experiencing any difficulties then we are able to signpost services for you - please speak to Mrs Browne, Mrs Essex, Mrs Harris or Mrs Foxall who are the Safeguarding Lead officers in school.
- No worry is too big or too small.

Parent information

- http://www.foundationyears.org.uk/fi les/2012/03/Development-Matters-FINAL-PRINT-AMENDED.pdf
- https://www.gov.uk/early-yearsfoundation-stage
- https://www.youtube.com/playlist?lis t=PLqh11DN6jmbCsIPschffPaxvCdS9 d6qPN