

Welcome To Reception Class

Mrs Clark is the class teacher and Mrs Fitzgerald is our teaching assistant. Mrs Dobrowolska is with us all day Monday providing teacher designated planning, preparation and assessment time cover. During the autumn term we are settling into school routines and will start to go out to play at break time in the KS1 playground before the first half-term. At break time we have milk and a healthy snack provided by school. Until our 5th birthday milk is provided free but when we are 5 there is a small charge of 20p per day paid termly through parent pay, you will receive a letter about this when payment is required. Healthy snacks and school lunches are provided at no cost to parents until the end of Year 2.

Our lunchtime is between 12-1pm, the children eat their lunch in the school hall before going out to play in the KS1 playground. During this time they are supervised by Miss Moskal and other lunchtime staff, who are responsible for their care in the hall and the playground.

In class we follow the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Curriculum which sets out the standards that all Early Years settings must provide. Our aim is that the children reach or exceed the Early Learning Goals (ELGs) at the end of their reception year.

In the EYFS Curriculum learning is split into 3 prime areas and 4 specific areas. The areas of learning we cover are: **Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Communication and Language, Physical Development**, Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding of the World, Expressive Arts and Design.

Much of our learning is achieved in our outdoor area, where the children love to explore and play and so they will need an appropriate coat for all weather!

We teach phonics using the Letters and Sounds phases. For more details of our curriculum please see our long term plan in the information section of our class page. Although we have a planned long term overview for the children's learning this is subject to change depending on the children's interests and engagement but all learning is planned to achieve the ELGs in each area of learning.

Items your child will need to bring to school each day are:

1. Reading book
2. Phonics book
3. School book bag (Please DO NOT put water bottles in book bags as they most often leak and damage books)
4. Waterproof coat
5. Water bottle

Items your child will need to leave in school:

1. PE Kit – this will be sent home at the end of each half-term for washing.

Mrs Clark is always available to speak to parents and carers at the beginning and end of each school day if you have any questions, concerns or anything about your child you feel we should know. Communication between parents and the class teacher is key to a happy and successful school life for children and to this end we like to be at the classroom door at both ends of the day so that we are able to keep up to date with each other about things that are happening at school and at home for your child.