

Welcome to Woodloes



Introductory Reception Parents'
Meeting

Thursday 20th June

Meet the team!

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Ms Valentine
EYFS Lead



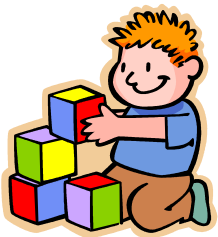
Miss Reynolds
TA Assistant



Miss De Araujo
Class Teacher

Transition from Nursery (what's been going on behind the scenes)

- We have spoken to and/or visited and/or received transition notes from almost all of the nurseries.
- We have visited settings and have sent photos of our school and staff to support any talk of 'big school' with your children.



Reception at Woodloes

We operate in one open plan setting with two designated areas for taking the register and delivering whole class input, mainly phonics, reading and maths.

The teachers work closely together to ensure consistency for the cohort.



Introductory Play Sessions

The sessions are Thursday 27th June and 4th July. 3.30pm until 4:15pm



This is an opportunity for your children to see the staff who will be working in Reception. It allows the children to explore the classroom, both inside and outside so they can begin to find their way around.

This year we are operating a little bit different.

We expect you to stay with your child for this session. We think it may be too overwhelming for some children if you don't. If just one adult can come that would be great (and then swap for the next week). As both classes will be in at the same time to give you all children 2 sessions.

Classes

- From meeting and hearing about your children, as well as talking to yourselves and addressing need, we will create 2 classes who will mix within the setting but will have a set carpet space to register and learn phonics and maths, reading etc.

Welcome Pack Reception 2024 Intake.

This welcome pack includes the following information: -

- Welcome Letter
- Term and Holiday Dates 2024/2025
- Parents' Guide to Early Years Foundation Stage Framework
- Forest School Information
- Anti-histamine Spray & Anti-bacterial Handwash Information
- Uniform Information
- Home-School Agreement
- Letter Regarding School Dinners, Sample Lunch Menu and Special Diet Request Form * (only complete if required)
- Admission Form *
- GDPR explanation letter plus consent forms*: - Recording and Use of Images*, Data Sharing with Third Parties*
- Details from OSCAR (before/after school club) * (only complete if required)
- Milk Form (simply apply online, or complete and return relevant form directly to: FREEPOST COOLMILK (no further address details needed)
- Getting Ready for School
- Connect for Health, School Nursing Leaflet.

*To be completed and returned to the school office as soon as possible please.



The New Curriculum

- The New National Curriculum for Reception is an extension of the learning the children will have been doing in their nursery settings.
- Children will follow a play-based curriculum that allows them to learn in a variety of practical ways with a mix of teacher led learning and child led learning.
- A link to the Parent guide to the EYFS curriculum is on the website.
- We will have a curriculum evening in September when the children arrive.



September Week 1

- Home visits



- Home visits – first week in September between Tuesday and Friday.
- This is a worthwhile and valuable experience for you (parents), us (teachers) and for your children.
- It provides you with an opportunity to talk to us and ask questions and we are able to give you important dates and other vital pieces of information.
- Your home visit appointment will be emailed to you by Friday
12th July

September Week 2

The First Week in school (part time)

Children attend three sessions in the first week:

- Monday 9th September **Class RV** in morning 8:45 - 12:00
- Tuesday 10th September **Class RD** in morning 8:45 – 12:00
- Wednesday 11th September **Class RV** in afternoon 1:00 – 3:15pm
- Thursday 12th September **Class RD** in afternoon 1:00 – 3:15pm
- Friday 13th September **both classes** in 8:45 – 1:00pm **children to stay for lunch**

This is a 'getting to know each other' time and the emphasis is on settling in.



September Week 3

w/b 16/09/24 - The Second week in school
(full time)

Children start full time between 8:45 - 3.15

Things your child will need

Children do not need any equipment such as pencils as we provide everything. The only things that you will need to provide are:

- a **named** water bottle (which will go home each night to be washed)
- a **named** PE kit which children will wear to school the day of PE (Wednesday)
- a **named** Forest school all-in-one puddle suit
- a school book bag with their name on the card

We do not wish the children to bring items or objects from home unless they have been invited for 'show and tell' by the class teacher. Toys and special items from home will get lost, broken or 'given away'. Trust us!



For Forest School learning activities we strongly recommend that children wear an all in one, hooded, waterproof suit which can be worn over their school uniform with a pair of wellington boots.

Please **name everything** the children bring in to school.



Summer holidays – preparing your child

Healthy Food

I am happy to try new foods even if I am not sure.

Healthy Food

I can use a knife and fork or open my lunch box myself.

Independence

I know I will have a special place for my coat, my bag and my water bottle.

Exercise

I know how to put my shoes on and how to take them off.

GETTING READY FOR SCHOOL

Independence

I can recognise my name

Hygiene

I can go to the toilet, wipe myself and flush independently

Sleep

I have a good bedtime routine so I am not tired for school.

Mental Health

I know I can ask my teacher for help

Hygiene

I know when to wash my hands

Hygiene

I can wipe my nose

Mental Health

I know it's okay to feel nervous about new things.



Stay and Play Sessions



- 2 sessions for each class through the academic year.
- Allows adults (parents/grandparents) and children, the chance to play together in the reception setting
- See how your child is learning through play and what types of learning opportunities your child experiences at school

If the children are ready, we will do a short Christmas sing song and a curriculum assembly in the Summer Term.

The First Half-Term

This is a 'settling in' time in order for the children to form new relationships and learn the routines of school life. This involves getting used to:

- The register
- Lunchtime in the hall
- The length of the school day
- P.E and Forest School
- Rules and routines of the day

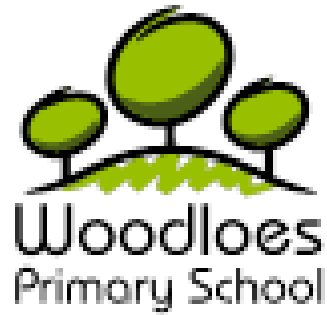
A baseline assessment will be carried out on your child in compliance with the new National Curriculum.

We will hold a 'bug Club phonics' / Curriculum evening early in September to enable us to provide you with important information about how we will be teaching phonics to the children.

Wider Community

We have a really active **PTA** They are a great team it would be lovely to see some of you join

We have a summer fayre Thursday 27th
June 4:30pm



Thank you for listening!

We welcome any questions ...

