

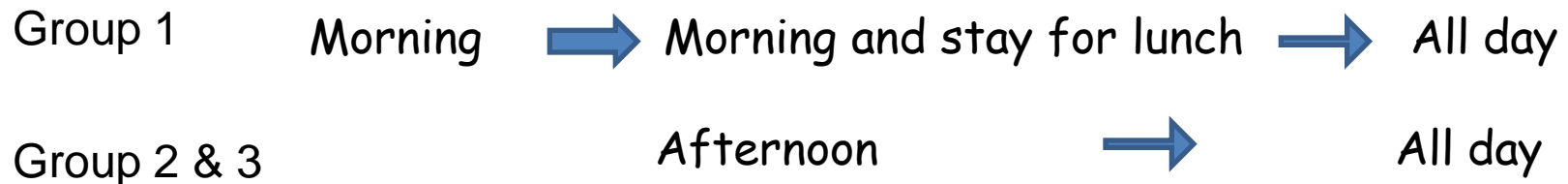


Foundation Stage Information Starting School

Staggered Entry

Your child's individual **timetable** will include their starting date and time, drop off and collection points.

Youngest children first (depending on individual needs of the child)



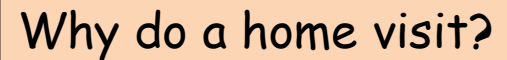
- We want the children to settle in as quickly as possible
- They have lots of new things to get used to
- We have found in the past that the children get very tired when they start school
- Children have more time in a smaller group to settle into their new environment

Why half days to begin with? My child has been going to nursery full time.

Virtual Home Visits

We will be contacting soon to arrange a virtual home visit with you and your child. Some of you already have this arranged.

In addition to this we would like to have another virtual home visit just before your child starts school.



Why do a home visit?

- This gives **your child** the opportunity to see us again while in familiar surroundings
- This gives **you** a chance to ask any further questions you may have

We will contact you early September to arrange this.

Preparing your child for school

Children should be able to...

- ... use the toilet independently
- ...dress and undress themselves
-feed themselves



How can I prepare my child for school?

Please look at the Foundation Stage Handbook to see how you can prepare your child for learning.

First few days...

What happens during the first week of school?

- On your child's first day, we will help them find their coat peg and welcome them into the classroom.
- Activities will be set out for children to do on arrival
- If you or your child is unsettled, there will be an opportunity for you to telephone later - 225319.
- At the end of the session, children will be handed over to you.
Please let us know in advance of any changes in arrangement.

Your Child's Day |

8.50 - school opens

9.00 - registration

9.10 - RWI - phonics
PDR (child initiated time)
Snack

11.30 - lunch time

12.30 - registration & adult led activity
PDR (child initiated time)

2.45 - playtime

3.15 - home time

What will my child's day look like?



What your child will be doing.

'We are learning to be safe and happy'

- making friends
- developing self confidence and independence
- learning to follow expectations and routines
- continue their journey of learning in basic skills from where they are

What will my child's learning look like in the first term?



What we will be doing.

'We are getting to know your child'

- building and supporting positive relationships
- supporting the children in developing self confidence and independence
- supporting the children to learn expectations and routines
- assessing where your child is in all areas of learning so that we can provide them with the best provision to best suit their needs.

What will staff be doing to ensure the best possible start for my child?



We want to work with you.

- Use the ideas from the Foundation Stage handbook
- Read/share a book with your child every day
- Ensure your child attends school everyday unless they are ill
- Attend **events** for parents and carers if able
- Read the information sent home in book bags or on Google classroom.
- Talk to us!

How can I get involved and support my child?



Lunch Time

How much does a school dinner cost?

School dinners - Free to all up until Year 2

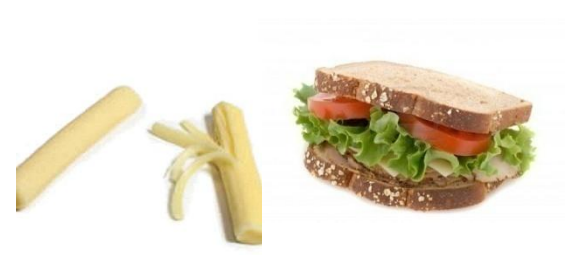
My child wants school dinners but doesn't like what is offered on a Monday?

Children can choose to bring in a packed lunch from home. You can decide each day if your child will have a school dinner or home packed lunch.

My child does not eat meat - is there a vegetarian option?

There is always a vegetarian and sandwich option.

What sorts of things make a good packed lunch?



What your child needs at school

Every day, children bring...



water bottle
(no glass)



book bag - can be
purchased from
school office

Please - no rucksacks

extra snack if **you wish** -
please look at snack sheet



And...Please label
EVERYTHING!!!

Please - no toys from home to be brought to school

What your child needs at school

Things to **stay** at school ...



wellies



spare
clothes

PE shorts and plimsoles



Why spare clothes?
My child uses the
toilet independently.

Again please - no rucksacks

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