

# Wodensfield Primary School

## Welcome to Reception

Information for parents at the start of a new school year

## Meet the Reception Team



Miss Fellows



Mrs Lewis





Miss Matczuk



Miss Grice

## Our Vision and Values



#### Wodensfield Vision and Values

Our school mission statement "AIM TO BE THE BEST YOU CAN" is at the heart of everything we do at Wodensfield.

#### School Vision Statement

- We believe in inspiring and empowering all children to become independent, lifelong learners.
- Enabling them to become confident citizens, who make a positive contribution in the wider world.

We will achieve this by offering an inspirational curriculum which engages, enriches and excites learners in a stimulating and nurturing learning environment.

#### School Values

Our school vision is underpinned by our values and behaviours.

- We believe that by listening and learning from each other; we will be AIMING TO BE THE BEST WE CAN BE.
- We have a collective responsibility; TREATING OTHERS AS WE WOULD LIKE TO BE TREATED OURSELVES.
- We work together as a team.
- We reflect on our actions in order to learn and improve.

#### Our School Rules

Our school rules reinforce our values and behaviours.

All members of our school community work together to demonstrate that we are:

#### READY RESPECTFUL & SAFE

These values and behaviours reflect the

"WODENSFIELD WAY"

## A well-educated Wodensfield Pupil can...

By working together, we will ensure your child is equiped to embrace the opportunities awaiting them in every stage of their educational journey.



## Transition to Nursery from Reception

- Transition details from year
  - Key information shared about the children
  - Targets shared
  - Last year's assessment shared
  - Children are currently participating in Baseline Assessments on a 1:1 basis for Maths and Literacy, in order to establish individual start points.
- Formative assessment process
  - On-going day-to-day assessment carried out to inform teaching
- Summative assessment process
  - Teacher assessments carried out termly using 'Development Matters'.

## The school Week

Wodensfield Primary	School – Autumn	Timetable	2024/2025
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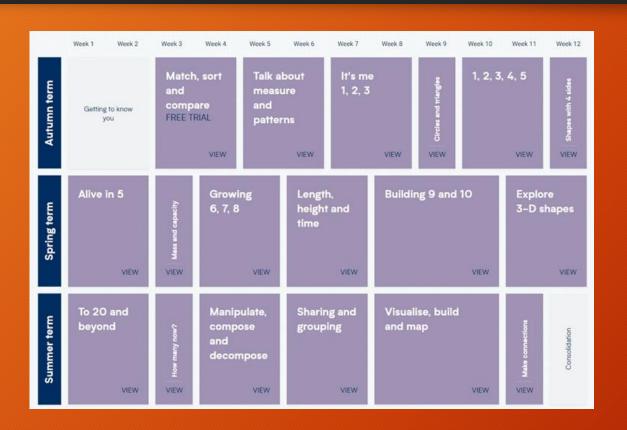
#### Class/Staff member - Reception

8.40	- 8.50	9.00-9:20	9:20-10:00	10:00- 10:15	10:15- 10:30	10:30-11:30		11:30 - 12:30	12.35-12:55 Register / Topic input	Provision	d Continuous	2:20-2:40	2.40-3.15
Monday		RWI	& CP	Snack		Mc	aths & CP		Topic 8	& CP	2:00-2:20 Singing Practise in class	Snack	Story / home time routine
Tuesday	/register	RWI	& CP	Snack	Playtine	Ma	aths & CP	DINNERTIME		Topic & C	p.	Snack	Story / home time routine
Wednesday	Days of week / weather / register	RWI	& CP	Snack	Pla	Мс	aths & CP		SF / LMP- PI	12:30-2 Outdo Rec F-		Snack	Story / home time routine
Thursday	Days	RWI	& CP	Snack		Мс	aths & CP			Topic & C	P	Snack	Home time routine
Friday		RWI			unior hall Forest		Library			Topic & C	P	Snack	Story / home time routine

## Literacy

- Your child may now be making marks on a page. We will be encouraging your child to give meaning to these marks reinforcing the concept that print carries meaning e.g. "This is a picture of me."
- During RWI lessons your child will be taught correct letter formation alongside each new sound.
- Children are then supported to read (blend sounds) and segment (spell) words matched to their phonetic knowledge.
- Children will be supported to write simple words and sentences based on their phonetic knowledge.
- During literacy lessons, we provide a wide range of opportunities for your child to become an independent, confident writer by applying their newly learned skills using our exciting themes / stories as a stimulus.
- We act out stories which leads to children being able to retell a familiar story using key vocabulary.

### Maths



Early mathematical knowledge is an essential foundation of every child's educational journey.

We encourage children to demonstrate mathematical curiosity and demonstrate their learning through the exploration of concrete apparatus.

#### Ways to support your child:

- Accurate touch counting
- Number recognition (recognise numbers in the environment)
- Number formation

## Foundation Subjects

Our topic themes provide a range of opportunities for children to extend their: Communication and Language skills, Physical Development, Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design Knowledge.

The overarching themes allow us to cover a range of exciting topics which are continuously adapted so that we can be led by children's interests.

Autumn 1: All
About Me

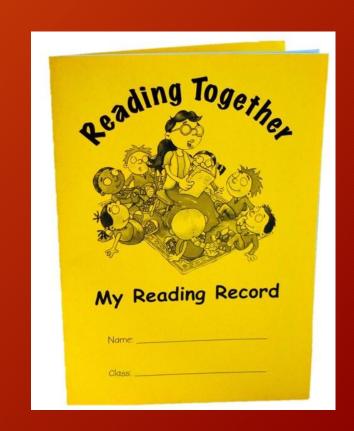
Autumn 2: Our Natural World Spring 1: The world around us.

Spring 2: Ready, Steady, Grow!

Summer 1: Magical Adventures Summer 1: Summer Splash!

## Reading Together books

- Small group of children have the same book to read with their teacher and take home to read with you.
- They are not expected to read independently. It is a story for you to enjoy together. Please add comments in your child's reading diary.
- Once children are settled into the Reception routines, you will be invited to join every Monday morning 8:40-9:00 to share the read together book with your child. We will inform you of the start date via Marvellous Me.



## Reading Together Books

## How do I help my child to read well?

- Read to your child. Bed time story?
- Let them see you reading.
- Listen to your child regularly
  - Little and often
  - Quiet and comfy
  - Chat about the book
  - Enjoy it ©

### A few tips...

- Notice the title, author, blurb.
- Look at and discuss the pictures.
- Predict what might happen.
- Give your child the responsibility of holding the book and turning the pages.
- Point to the words.
- Talk about why things happened, how the characters might feel etc...



## Home-learning

Each week you will be sent activities to complete with your child at home, in order to support their learning.

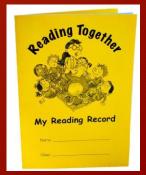
Maths: An interactive challenge will be sent each work to support the learning in class. You will be given an Education City login (stuck in the back of your child's reading diary)

Phonics: Children are beginning to learn how to read and write single letter sounds. A link will be sent home each day that your child learns a new sound. The link will take you to a virtual classroom to consolidate reading and writing our new sound.

The 'Reading Together' book sent home is to be shared with your child and recorded in the reading diary.







## Mental Health and Wellbeing

- We know that in order for children to succeed academically their mental health and wellbeing is vital.
- At Wodensfield all staff are committed to supporting your child to be the best they can be.
- Our curriculum aims to encourage children to develop the skills, knowledge and understanding they need to understand their feelings and be resiliant to the challenges they encounter.
- We work with the Reflexions team who offer group and one to one support if needed.
- Togetehr with uour childs class teacher and teaching assistants, Miss Jamieson is also available to offer pastoral support.
- Mrs Walker is the schools Mental Health and Wellbeing lead.
- Parenting Smart: mental health advice for parents: Mentally Healthy Schools



#### **Assessment Weeks**

- Throughout the school year learning will be assessed in order for teachers to ensure the curriculum enables children to know more and remember more.
- A range of ongoing (formative)
   assessments and end of learning
   units (summative) assessments will
   be used to inform your child's next
   steps in learning.
- Pupils in Reception, Y1, Y2, Y4 and Y6 will also take part in National Assessments.



#### Assessment Schedule 2024-25

#### Summative assessments:

	Who?	What?	When?			
	Reception	Baseline	First 6 weeks of term			
		Baseline visit				
A	χr 2-6	LA Optional Reading Fluency	4/9/24-28/9/24			
u		Assessment (Recorded Training and				
t		Materials to be made available for				
u		Reading Fluency Assessment)				
m	Y2-6	NFER (Tests 1)	w/c 30/9/24			
n		(Reading and Maths paper)				
		(Spelling/CEW)				
	FS & KS1	CEW	Ongoing			
		Phonics/RWI	Origing			
	Teacher Assessments to be uploaded by 27/11/24					

	Who?	What?	When?		
	Y1.	NFER (Tests 1)			
		(Reading and Maths paper)	w/c 3/2/25		
5		(Spelling/CEW)			
p	Y2 to Y6	LA Optional Reading Fluency			
r		Assessment (New Materials made	6/1/25-31/1/25		
i		available for Fluency Assessment)			
n	Y2 and 6	NFER (Tests 2)	w/c 3/3/25		
		(Reading and Maths paper)	W/C 3/3/23		
	Y3-5	Collins Reading assessment and White			
		Rose termly assessment	w/c 3/3/25		
		(Spelling/CEW)			
Teacher Assessments to be uploaded by					

	Who?	What?	When?		
s u	Y6	SATs	w/c Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> May		
	Y1, 3-5	NFER (Tests 2) (Reading and Maths paper) (Spelling/CEW)	w/c 19 <sup>th</sup> May		
m	Y1	Phonics	w/c Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June		
r	Y2 to Y5	LA Optional Reading Fluency Assessment (New Materials made available for Fluency Assessment)	1/6/25-20/6		
	Y2	Own assessments	June 2024		
	Teacher Assessments to be uploaded by 21st June 2024				

## How can you support your child? Ways you can make a difference.

- Support with homework
  - Provide an appropriate space for home-learning (if possible)
- Reading at home
  - Talk about what they are/have read
- Encouraging independence
  - Develop your child's independence with tasks such as: putting on their coat and zipping it up, using a knife and fork, putting on own shoes and socks etc...

## The Importance of School Attendance

School attendance is not merely a requirement but a fundamental pillar of education. It plays a pivotal role in shaping your childs academic success, personal growth, and future prospects.

#### **Role of Teachers and School**

Meet and Greet children.
Create positive classroom environments.
Build positive relationships with all children and adults.
Recognise individual and collective achievements.
Implement evidence-based teaching strategies.
Monitor daily attendance and punctuality

#### Role of Children

Attend school regularly and be punctual.
Engage actively in classroom activities.
Support other children.
Recognise the achievements of other children.
Share when you have a concern.

#### Tier 1

Universal Strategies

#### **Role of Parents**

Ensure children attend school regularly and on time. Understand and support any concerns your child may have.

Communicate with the school regarding absence.
Recognise personal achievements.
Communicate with teachers about any concerns.

#### **Role of External Agencies**

Provide resources and training to teachers on effective classroom strategies.

Collaborate with schools on attendance initiatives.

Support a comprehensive and inclusive school-wide approach that encompasses both attendance and mental health.

### Every Day at Wodensfield Matters Attend to Achieve



School starts at 8.40am
The register closes at 8.50am.
Learning starts at 8.50am

## **Every Minute Counts**

#### LATENESS = LOST LEARNING

(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 Minutes late each day	3 days lost!
10 Minutes late each day	6.5 days lost!
15 Minutes late each day	10 days lost!
20 Minutes late each day	13 days lost!
30 Minutes late each day	19 days lost!

How can you encourage and help your child to be ready to come to school in the morning?



Make sure they understand the importance of good attendance and punctuality



Discuss any problems they may have at school- inform their teacher about any concerns or difficulties. (See contact details)



It really helps to have everything ready for school the night before (bag packed, clothes ready, etc)



Make any appointments (Dentist, GP) for after school where possible



Make sure they have a good healthy breakfast

#### **Talk Matters**

Becoming a fluent, skilled and attentive reader starts at the earliest stages. Research show that by reading to your child makes a significant difference to their development.

Here's how many words your child will have heard by the time they are five years old if...

Never read to

• 4,662 words

1-2 times per week

• 63,570 words

3-5 times per week

• 169,520 words

Daily

• 296,660 words

Five books a day

• 1,483,300 words

Scan the QR code to take you to the National Literacy Trust for more ideas.





## Online Safety

- It's important to stay up to date with how we can help children navigate their lives online.
- Most of the popular social media services require users to be at least 13 years of age, including WhatsApp and TikTok. If you choose to allow your child on an age restricted app then it must be monitored frequently.
- We've had lots of positive feedback about our parent sessions with Patrick Flynn from Online Behaviours. Patrick gives tips on what to look out for and how to positively support children. Ideally, we'd like parents to attend these sessions once every two years
- Our next two sessions are Wednesday 16th October at 9.00am and Wednesday 12th February at 2.00pm.



Our digital ambassadors release a half termly newsletter which can be found on our website.

## Communication is key

- Ways to get in touch;
- Email: Classteacher yrteacher@wodensfield.org
- Telephone: 01902 556350 to make an appointment to speak to the classteacher or a member of the Senior Leadership Team
- Attendance: 01902 556350- select attendance option
- Email: office@wodensfield.org



## Any questions?