



Starting Reception Introduction Meeting Gorse Hill Primary School

Thursday 15th June 2023

Welcome to Reception

- We are very pleased that you have accepted a place at Gorse Hill and look forward to your child starting with us in September.
- This presentation aims to provide an introduction and initial information that we hope will prove useful.
- Please complete and return the pack of forms which have been posted to you.

Who will work with my child...

- Mrs Johnson Class 1 Teacher
- Miss Gore Class 1 Teaching Assistant
- Mrs Shuttleworth & Mrs Dickinson Class 2 Teachers
- Miss Later Class 2 Teaching Assistant



Mrs Johnson



Miss Gore



Mrs Shuttleworth



Mrs Dickinson



Miss Later

Daily Routine

- 8.50am – Challenge cards, register and dinner ordering.
- 9.00am – Learning activities
- 9.30am – Learning through play
- 10.45am – Snack time
- 11.00am – RWI
- 11.40am - Lunchtime
- 12.25pm – Register/ Learning activities
- 1pm – Learning through play
- 2.45pm - Story time
- 3.05pm - Home time

Lunchtime

- Weekly lunch menu – 2 hot options 1 being vegetarian, selection of sandwiches and jacket potatoes.
- We would encourage the children to choose their lunch independently but will send a menu for you to browse before hand. Please let us know if there is a particular food you would like them to choose.
- The children will play outside after lunch until 12.25pm under the supervision of Lunchtime Organisers.



On your child's first day

- We will help your child find his or her peg and order their lunch.
- Class 1 will enter and leave school using the classroom door on the main playground.
- Class 2 will enter and leave school using the new door in the Early Years playground.

What should my child wear?

- We have a very basic uniform:
- Yellow polo shirt
- Grey trousers/skirt (yellow gingham summer dress)
- Black cardigan or sweat shirt with the school logo
- Black “sensible” shoes.
- Raincoat and warm winter coat.
- PE Kit white t-shirt, black shorts or jogging bottoms and black pumps.
- Also it is worth pointing out that we can get messy and we do use the outdoor area as much as possible so please send in a spare change of clothes.
- Wellies are a must now we have our mud kitchen.
- PLEASE, PLEASE NAME all uniform!
- You can purchase uniform from Monkhouse in Stretford Mall or Tesco’s online embroidery service.



Food and Drink

- Please send a **named** water bottle in with your child each day.
- Your child will have access to a piece of fruit and milk from the snack bar.
- Please do let us know if your child is allergic to anything.



Breakfast and After School Club

- If you think you will need before and after school childcare please contact Miss Later on **07826553736**.
- Breakfast club runs from 8am till 8:50am
- Afterschool club runs from 3pm until 5.15pm.

Curriculum

Activities in Reception are carefully planned and organised in order to provide a range of learning experiences. Learning Journeys are kept on your child using Target Tracker. Once the children have settled into reception we will hold an Target Tracker parent meeting to inform you about how to access and use the program.

There are 7 Areas of Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS), which activities are planned around:

- **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**
- **Physical Development**
- **Communication and Language**
- **Literacy**
- **Mathematics**
- **Understanding the World**
- **Expressive Arts and Design**

Throughout the EYFS, children will be working towards the Early Learning Goals. We will hold another meeting early in the Autumn term to go through this with you.

Dates for your diary

- We would like to meet you and your child personally before their first session so we are offering a visit to your home to introduce ourselves.
- **Thursday 22nd June or Friday 30th June Class 2 home visits.**
- **Wednesday 5th July 9.15am-11.15am, Stay and Play class swap**
- **Start date – Class 1 Tuesday 5th September
Class 2 Tuesday 5th, Wednesday 6th & Thursday 7th September, pick up 11.30am.**
- **Friday 8th, Monday 11th & Tuesday 12th, pick up 12.45pm.**
- **Wednesday 13th September, full time.**

Safe Guarding

- We dismiss the children at the end of the day one at a time. If for any reason you are unable to collect and someone new is collecting please let the office know and provide a password.
- It is important that we work together to keep the children safe so if there is anything you feel we need to know please inform us.



Communication



At Gorse Hill we are a paperless school.

- We use class 'dojo' for daily communication so will send an invite to your email address.
- Any key dates, event and school newsletters will be sent through the schools app

'Our Schools App' which is free to download.
Type in 'Our Schools App into play store.

- We will send through a termly newsletter with our learning focus via the app, which you can also access on the schools website.

Rewards and Sanctions

- Class 'dojo' gives individual rewards for positive behaviour.
- Stickers, Head teacher awards, Golden time are all used to promote and reward good behaviour.
- If your child does not follow school rules after being spoken to they may lose some or all of their golden time.

Holiday Homework

- NAME all uniform.
- Think about a password to give your teacher.
- Teach your child to recognise new clothing and names in new clothing. You could draw or sew in a special symbol to help your child.
- Teach your child how to put on their coat including doing up zips.
- Please make sure your child is toilet trained before starting school.



Any Questions?

- Thank you for attending, we hope we have answered any questions you may have had.