

St. Leonards' School

Early Years' Foundation Stage

Welcome



Meet the Team

Reception:

Mr J Gregory

Miss H Garner

Our Home

Nursery and Reception share a two classroom, purpose built mobile (including toilets)

Both classrooms are beautiful, large and have access to two large outdoor, **award winning** areas, so that all areas of children's development can be supported.

Access to a beautiful conservation area!





Supporting Your Child

- Don't dress to impress
- Wear appropriate footwear, every day and have a pair of wellies, in school, all the time
 - Always send a coat (even a light one!)
- Please be accepting, that your child may not come home to you, as pristine as they came in!

Uniform

Please do adhere to the uniform guidelines for the whole school.

These include:

No jewellery

No nail varnish

School shoes

Children with long hair, should please have it tied up

As a school we follow the statutory framework for birth to five.

This includes statutory guidance: Development Matters.

At the end of the Reception year, children are assessed against the Early Learning Goals.



What does this mean?

Statutory guidance states that children in their first year of school must learn within all standard subject areas. These include:

Literacy (Reading and Writing)

Maths

Understanding the World (Geography, History & Science)

Physical Development

Expressive Art exploration

Language development

What does this mean?

As a maintained school, Ofsted require a clear focus on the teaching of Reading and so this will form a significant focus of our year.

Further information will be sent during the year; there will be invitations for us to work together.

Reception Baseline

This year the statutory roll-out of the Reception baseline will not take place.

Our Days

Each day follows warm, rhythmic structure, allowing children to participate in a range of learning activities, which are expected and meaningful.

As much as possible, each day follows the same structure, so that children feel safe and confident about coming into school, begin to make plans for their own learning needs and start to look forward to their favourite days.

In a Nutshell...

School starts at 8.45am for our first Nursery session, and the Reception day begins at 9am (doors open at 8.45am)

Lunch time: 12.15-1.15PM (R)
(children eat in the dining hall)

Reception finishing at 3.25PM

Entering School

- Open door policy
- Please do contact me by email if you need to
 - Please try to be on time
- Please do not use the school car park. B&Q car park is available if needed.

Preparing for September

- Please spend some time practising with your child what saying goodbye will be like...
- "When we get to school we'll say bye and we can hug and kiss and then you go into class. I'll be here at home time."

As difficult as it can be... Try to avoid a prolonged goodbye

Lunch Times

Reception children may bring their own sandwiches or have a school lunch. Children choose each day.

We are a healthy school. A snack of fruit, milk and water will be provided by school, or you may order a healthy option from the snack trolley.

(This should be ordered each Friday for the following week)



Please tell us if your child has any allergies, eating requirements (i.e. Vegetarian) or other health care concerns.

Even though infant children receive the universal free school meal offer, please consider running a Pupil Premium check.

Attendance

Please try to ensure that your child attends every session.

As a school our aim for attendance is 96%.

Additionally, we also request that the School Office be informed if your child is ill and won't be attending Nursery or Reception; will be arriving late or needs to be collected early