



*New Parents
Reception Starters*



**Welcome to Manorfield
Primary and Nursery
School**

Staff

Mrs Jones—Headteacher

Mrs Musk—Deputy headteacher

Mrs Walton—Assistant headteacher

Mrs Hutson—Assistant headteacher

Mrs Beazley—Reception class teacher

Mrs Taylor—Reception class teacher

Mrs Drabble—Nursery nurse



Normal Reception Timings

Drop-off 8.40-8.50 am



Register taken at 9 am
(after this time children
are marked as late)

Lunch 11.30 am

Pick-up 3.10 pm

The class teacher is on the door
each day.

Once children are settled, we
encourage children to come into
the classroom independently.

We offer before and after school
provision. Please contact us for
further details.

Learning and Development

The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) has seven areas of learning:

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

Reception is the final year of the EYFS. In the following academic year, Year 1, the National Curriculum is used.



The Early Years
Foundation Stage

Play

Play underpins the Early Years curriculum. It supports social, cognitive and physical development. Play is important for healthy brain development. In Reception children play indoors and outdoors during free flow learning.



Play is the
highest form
of research

Albert Einstein

PLAY
IS THE
WORK
OF THE
CHILD

Timetable

We aim to balance child-initiated and adult-led learning.

Activities include:

- . Free flow learning
- . Read Write Inc. Phonics
- . Handwriting
- . Talk for Writing
- . Mathematics
- . Physical education (PE)
- . Forest School
- . Jigsaw PSHE
- . Story time



Uniform

Navy blue sweatshirt with school logo

White polo shirt

Grey trousers/skirt

Blue check summer dress

Black shoes

ALL ITEMS SHOULD BE NAMED

Uniform can be ordered from
www.onlineschooluniform.co.uk

Some second-hand items can be bought at the school office.



PE Kit

White polo or t-shirt
Navy shorts
Plimsolls



Other Items

Book bag
Bag with spare clothes
Coat
Water bottle
Wellington boots (optional—we
have lots of spares)

Jewellery and Hair

No jewellery
Long hair tied back

See the school website for further
details.

Sensory Development

In Reception, children get wet, muddy and messy. This is essential for children's sensory development.

We go outside in all weathers to explore the natural environment.



We provide protective clothing, but children still manage to get messy!

Children must be allowed to experience the world around them in full. Thank you for your understanding.

SORRY
about the
MESS
but we are
LEARNING
here.

Lunch

Children in Reception have Free School Meals.

We recommend children having school lunch. It helps develop healthy habits and children try a variety of food. A good lunch positively impacts concentration. Special diets are catered for.

Children can bring in a healthy packed lunch from home.

"Healthy"
A healthy packed lunch should include



Children have daily fruit and water/milk. Once your child turns 5 there is a small cost for milk.

You will find details on how to register in your starter pack.

Readiness for Reception

Please help your child to get ready for Reception by developing:

- Language—Ensure your child speaks in full sentences and continues to build new vocabulary
- Social skills—Teach your child to have good manners, share and follow instructions
- Independence—Encourage your child to use cutlery when eating, dress own self and go to the toilet independently
- Fine motor skills—Explore drawing, cutting with scissors and name writing
- Reading—Read to your child each day
- Routines—Ensure your child no longer has naps in the day and is in bed by 7pm



Finally, be positive about starting school!

Home Visits

At the beginning of the Autumn Term we carry out home visits.

They help us to get to know each unique child and build positive relationships with families. These visits enable children to settle quickly in school.

We will let you know what day and time your home visit will take place.



September

We have a staggered start to help children have a calm and enjoyable introduction.

Start dates are specified in welcome packs.

Half days are optional for your child's first few days. Pick-up will be 12.45pm or 3.10 pm.

All children are full-time from Thursday 14th September.



Next Steps

Please send admission forms and birth certificates in as soon as possible.

Contact us if you have any questions.

We welcome parents helpers to read with children, join Forest School sessions, and talk about skills and cultural celebrations. We hope you will be able to help.

We look forward to welcoming you to our school!