

Welcome to
St. Clare's RC Primary School
Reception Intake Meeting



Key Staff in Nursery



Mrs Drury
Nursery Teacher

Miss Stout
Teaching Assistant

Miss Burton
Teaching Assistant

Key Staff in RC



Miss Coleman
Reception Teacher



Miss Cooke
Teaching Assistant

Key Staff in RH



Mrs Harrison
Reception Teacher



Mrs Moorcroft
Reception Teacher
& EYFS Lead



Miss Conway
Teaching Assistant

Key Staff in SLT



Miss McGarry
Assistant
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Mrs Howe
Headteacher

Visits & Settling In

Children new to St. Clare's:

- Start back on Thursday 2nd September

Children currently at St. Clare's Nursery:

- Transition day Wednesday 7th July
- Start back on Monday 6th September

Health

Staff need to be aware of:

- Allergies
- Dietary restrictions e.g. vegetarian, Halal
- Asthma
- Eczema
- Current contact details
- If your child is unable to attend school due to illness, please telephone the school office to let us know.

EYFS Curriculum

Three Prime areas:

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Communication and Language
- Physical Development

Four specific areas:

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive arts and design



Characteristics of learning

- Playing and exploring
- Active learning
- Creating and thinking critically

First Day

- Children start back Thursday 2nd September or Monday 6th September
- Bring child around the outside of the KS1 building to the classroom door
- Doors open at 8.50am
- Close at 9am
- Your child needs:
 - Coat
 - Water bottle
 - PE kit
 - Spare clothes (kept on peg)
 - Pick up from classroom door at 3.15pm

A Day in Reception

- Daily RWI
- Daily Maths and Literacy carpet sessions
- Maths and literacy activities across the week
- Squiggle Whilst You Wiggle
- Dough Disco
- 2 RE carpet sessions and an activity each week
- Weekly PE
- KUW and EAD taught through other subjects and through the provision
- Individual and guided reading

Child Initiated Play

- Access to indoor and outdoor
- Follow their own interests
- Build skills in problem solving
- Develop ideas at their own pace

Snack and Lunchtime

- Morning snack – toast & fruit
- Own snack must be healthy
- Free milk for all under fives
- Packed lunch or school dinner (free for all children in Reception-Year 2)
- Lunch is at 11.45-12.45
- At least 2 choices available
- Children eat in the hall followed by time outside
- Packed lunches must be healthy and nut free

Tapestry

- Online learning journey
- Wow moments
- Share next steps
- Receive login details in the first term
- Videos on school website showing how to use it
- Opportunity to share any learning at home and achievements outside of school

Uniform

- Jumpers, cardigans and book bags are available to order at the school office
- ALL uniform must be NAMED
- Sensible, black school shoes which are suitable for outdoor play - climbing etc
- Blue polo shirt
- Grey skirt or trousers
- A sensible, waterproof coat with a hood
- Wellies

We encourage independence!

We encourage children to:

- Take off and put on their own coat
- Change their own shoes
- Use the toilet independently
- Become more independent in play, taking turns and asking for and sharing toys
- Come into class and putting their things away
- Cut up their own food

Parental Involvement

- Constant communication between all Reception staff and parents which has generated excellent relationships
- Half-termly newsletter saying what we are working on and ideas for how you can help at home
- Stay and play sessions
- Workshops
- Online learning journey
- Homework
- Daily home reading

Fostering a Love of Books

- Daily story telling
- Use of puppets and role play
- Topic fun day each half term
- Children will read weekly in school
- Books will be sent home in the first week
- Please send them back each day
- Reading at home *TO* and *WITH* your child is really important

Any other information

- Please collect pack from office and return it ASAP
- Please download the 'School Gateway' app
- Free milk for under fives
- 'Cool Milk'

Fine motor skills and mark making

- Dough disco
- Clever fingers
- Outdoor writing opportunities



Any questions?

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