



Frequently asked questions...

What clubs are there?

We have a range of clubs. After school clubs are mostly sport related. Lunchtime clubs are run by teachers and are based on the children's interests such as computer, drawing, playdough, singing, dinosaur etc.

Do the children start part time?

Yes. We have a staggered entry. This allows us to get to spend more time with the children in smaller groups and to meet with all parents individually. They are all in full time by the middle of week 3.

Do you teach RE?

Yes. We teach predominantly Christian RE, but the children also learn about some of the major religions at their level. This will include pictures, festivals, symbols, artefacts and stories.

How big are the classes?

We have capacity for 30 children in each class. We have a full time teacher and a full time Learning Support Assistant in each class.

Will we automatically get a place in the junior school?

Yes. If you are successful with your application here, you will automatically have a place in the junior school.

Do the children get a chance to meet their new teachers?

Yes. We have excellent transition arrangements. Our teachers visit nurseries if possible and there are 2 occasions at least where your child will have a short time (45 minutes-2 hours) in school in the summer term to meet their new teachers in class.

Do they wear uniform?

Yes, they do and the uniform information is sent out with the prospectus but is also on our website.

Do they stay with their class?

If the class gel well then yes. If they do not which is rare, then we will mix them before Year 1. The children in reception do mix a great deal across the two classes throughout the year anyway.

Do they go on visits?

Yes. There is an annual visit, which takes place in the summer term. The farm is popular. Other local walks are also undertaken, and visits to the church for a carol service for example.

Do they go in the playground with the older children?

Yes, but not for the first few weeks.

Can I take my child on holiday in term time?

No. Leave of absence is only granted in exceptional circumstances.

Are there opportunities for parents to get involved?

Yes, many. We hold parents and grandparents mornings, we put on parent workshops for parents to see how we teach and then be able to support their child at home. We have sponsored events, cake sales, class assemblies, Friday afternoon story time, show and share, concerts and shows.

We have an active PTA (ISA) that holds many school events that you can volunteer to help with.

We have a parent forum. We have formal parents evenings and share learning on an online learning platform called Tapestry.

Do they have school dinners?

Yes. The school dinners are free to infant aged children. They can choose to have a school dinner or bring their own packed lunch.

How do I speak with a teacher?

You can speak to your child's teacher at the door if it is urgent. You can telephone and leave a message in the office to be called. Otherwise, you can make an appointment to see them after school on a Monday.

What happens if they are ill?

If we are worried about your child at all, you will be called for us to discuss it or ask you to come and collect them.

Can parents help in school?

Yes, we welcome help from parents in the classrooms. However, it will not be in the year group where your child is.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call the school. We will be happy to answer them- especially in the current situation where we are not able to invite you in.

