

# Welcome to New Parents' Meeting

#### What is the Early Years Foundation Stage?

The Early Years Foundation Stage (E.Y.F.S.) is the stage of education for children from birth to the end of the Reception year.

It is based on the recognition that children learn best through play and active learning.



Your child will be learning skills, acquiring new knowledge and demonstrating their understanding through 7 areas of learning and development

Children should initially develop the **3 prime areas:** 

Communication and language Personal, social and emotional development

Physical development

#### Communication and Language



**Being imaginative** Using language to recreate experiences

**Planning what to do** Using language to solve problems and make a plan.



#### Physical Development

## Developing whole body coordination

#### Strengthening muscles





Being able to control tools to achieve a desired outcome



#### Personal, Social and Emotional Development



Working together responding to the ideas of friends Making own decisions and not giving up



As the children grow, the prime areas will help them to develop skills in 4 specific areas:

Literacy

Understanding the world

**Mathematics** 

Expressive arts and design

### Literacy











#### Mathematics





#### Understanding the world







#### Expressive arts and design



## Documenting your child's learning

To help us build up an accurate picture of what your child can do, we observe the children in their play and record the learning experiences from both child initiated play and adult led activities.

We use Tapestry to share your child's learning with you.

Children's Showcase Events



## The First Few Weeks

We will find out what the children already know and can do and use this information to help us plan for their individual needs.

We value any contributions you would like to make in helping us get to know your child's needs.



You will be invited to discuss your child's progress & adjustment to school within the first term at parents' evening.

## First Few weeks

- We ask you to use the Nursery Entrance for the first few weeks
- When the children have settled in, the children will come into school via the Reception Playground (off Elmfield Gardens).



Main entrance for pupils

Nursery entrance off Drumoyne Gardens

## School Dinners

- Menus are on a 3 week rotation; Please check the North Tyneside Council website for further information (<u>https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/category/240/menus</u>)
- All children encouraged to start with school dinners as this helps us keep check on what they have eaten
- Universal free school meals all children in Reception, year I and year 2 qualify for a free school meal
- Early Years Pupil Premium please see information included
- Milk children under 5 are eligible for free milk, however parents must sign up online to receive milk free or paid

www.coolmilk.com



## Uniform

- Please ensure that your child's name is in all items of clothing, including shoes!
- Outdoor Exploration kits must be kept in school and taken home every Friday to be washed.
- Your child will be taking part in lots of interesting and sometimes messy experiences outside so please provide a pair of wellingtons to keep in school.

## Medical Matters

- Any sickness, diarrhoea, must be followed by 48 hrs absence.
- Any absence requires a note or telephone call to the school office explaining why.
- Any medicines need to be signed in at the School Office.
- Asthma Plan if your child has asthma this must be completed and returned to school prior to them commencing – school must have an inhaler provided from parents

#### Ready For School

Language Skills encouraged to talk

Physical Wellbeing Dummy free Toilet Trained Listened to and Able to make their needs k.n.own. Physically active

Social Competence and Self Esteem Given Boundaries Chances to experience success Learning independence

## Please remember...

If you have any concerns or questions, we will be happy to help you.

All forms to be completed and returned by the Transition Visit- Tuesday 2<sup>rd</sup> July

Maths Workshop will be held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 5 p.m.\*

Phonics and Early Literacy Session will be held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2020 at 5 p.m.\*

\* This will be dependent on social distancing measures in place at the time