

Starting Reception Story



In September you will be starting Reception at West End Primary. We aren't sure yet exactly what your classrooms will look like, but we can give you some ideas and it will definitely be very exciting.



Your teacher will be either Mrs Milne and Miss Watson or Miss Costello. You have not yet met them but they can't wait to see you to have some fun together.

Mrs Milne



Miss Watson

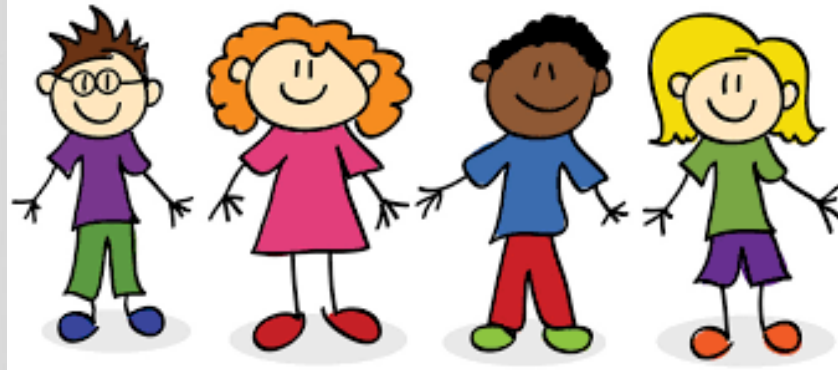


Miss Costello



You will work with other adults around school too.
They are really looking forward to meeting you too.

In the classroom



At lunchtime

In the garden

This is where your grown up will bring you when you arrive at Reception. We have special places for you to wait to help everyone take turns coming inside and meeting their grown ups.



We are looking forward to you being really brave and coming into Reception all by yourself. Don't worry if at first you are a little unsure, all the adults will help you.



This is where you will walk through to find your coat peg.

When you come into Reception, you will have a special peg with your name on and your special picture. You can keep your bag of spare clothes and your coat on your peg.



We will send out a letter of your new peg picture when we deliver your starting school pack. This is what it will look like...

Dear

When you come to school in September your picture will be a star



You will find it on your coat peg, your bag and your books when you come into school.

We are looking forward to welcoming you into Reception in September.

From Mrs Milne, Miss Costello, Miss Watson & the Reception Staff

At the moment, the current Reception are working in Family Bubbles and the rooms have been set up so not too many children play together at the same time. This is what the family bubble rooms look like at the moment.



Before lockdown, the children came together as a class and worked across both Reception classes. This is what it looked like.

Beech Class



Willow Class



These are some of the indoor areas which you will be able to use.



Small World



Construction Area

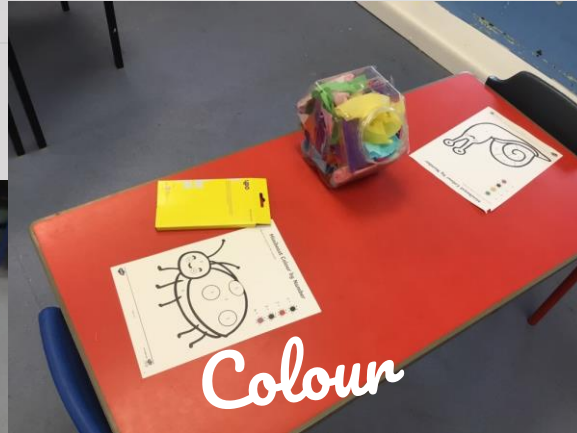


Investigation

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Play is the highest form of research. - Albert Einstein



Wonder

Explore

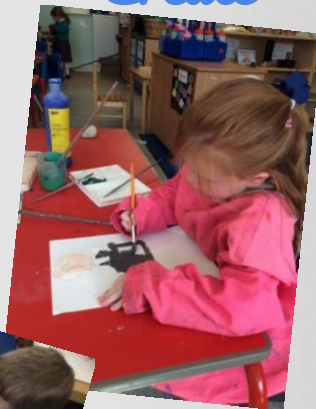


Investigate



Imagine

Create



We've set up the areas in Reception so not too many children play in them at the same time. This is how you will know how many children can play in the space.



So there are not too many children in the Reception at once
we will be taking it in turns to do things like play outside in
small groups.



In our garden you can explore, investigate, imagine and create.



You will also need to go to the toilet while you are in Reception.
It's also important that we keep our hands really clean to stop passing on germs. This is where you can do this after the toilet and at other times in the day.



We've got lots of tissues for you to use for blowing your nose. We've put them right next to the bin so you can pop it straight in afterwards.



Don't forget to wash your hands again! You and your grown-up could practise this before you come to school.

Now you are in Reception, you will be in school all day. You will have milk and snack in the morning when you arrive in school. You will also have your school dinner too!



Sometimes, your grown-up might need to wear some special things to keep us all safe. This will be if you hurt yourself or need to be changed.

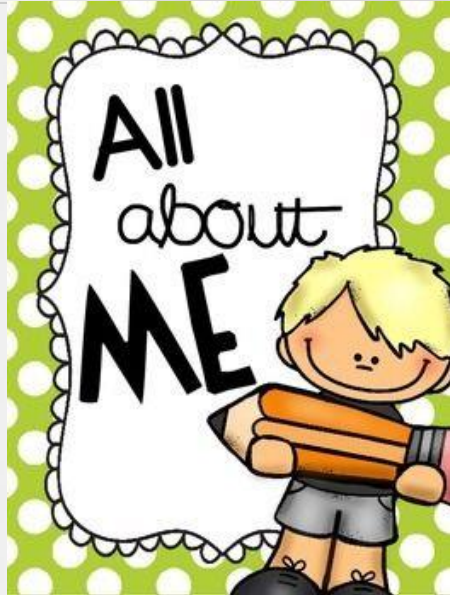


You can try some of this on
when you come to
Reception so you can see
what it's like.

When it's time for you to go home, this is where we will go to meet your grown-up.



We might be joining family bubbles in September or we might be coming together as a class.



No matter what we will be sure to have lots of fun! We will have nice toys out and exciting activities set up. We will find out what you like to play soon when we send you an all about me activity through Tapestry.

We can't wait to see you in September.
Bye for now!

Mrs Milne



Miss Watson



Miss Costello

