

Information for Parents/Carers Of Reception Children

2025-2026



Welcome to Reception



The Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum

The EYFS Framework explains how and what your child will be learning to support their healthy development. Your child will be learning skills, acquiring new knowledge and demonstrating their understanding through **7 areas of learning and development**. This is following on from what your child has been doing in nursery (if they previously attended a setting).

Children should mostly develop the **3 prime areas** first. These are:

- Communication and language;
- Physical development
- Personal, social and emotional development.

These **prime areas** are those most essential for your child's healthy development and future learning. As children grow, the prime areas will help them to develop skills in **4 specific areas**.

These are:

- Literacy;
- Mathematics;
- Understanding the world; and
- Expressive arts and design.

These 7 areas are used to plan your child's learning and activities. We will always make sure that your son/daughter is supported with their learning and that the activities are suited to your child's unique needs.



How Can I Support My Child?



- Please complete the 'About Me' sheet to help us better support your child, with their transition into full time school.

A typical day in Reception

Arrival: 8.40am

Register

Morning Activities

Literacy time

Busy Time (Learning through play)

Mathematics – Teacher Led Activities

Run around time (Break time)

Read, Write, Inc. (Phonics)

Lunch Time

Calm time

Big Talk (Vocabulary building session)

Busy Time (Learning through play)

Carpet Time and Story

Home Time: 3.05pm



Drop off and pick up via the classroom doors.

Parents as Partners

Throughout the year, there will be opportunities to discuss your child's progress and to see their work through various 'outcomes'. 'Outcomes' are small events throughout the year where we celebrate and share your children's hard work and is something that runs throughout the school. We strongly encourage parents and carers to be involved in your child's education as much as possible.



Reading

In September, your child will bring home a 'Book Quest' where your child can earn prizes. This is where you can write down when your child has read and the stories you have shared. We would encourage you to read with your child every day, even if this is part of a book. Library books are changed in class each Monday.

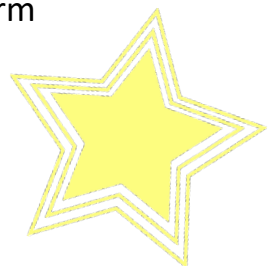


Tapestry

We love sharing observations with you via Tapestry, our online learning journals. We also love seeing your observations and photos from home, so please feel free to add them! We will also set home learning tasks on a Friday via the Tapestry App, so please check the App weekly and share their home learning tasks via the app.

Wow Moments

We love celebrating your child's progress at home, as well as their progress we see at school. 'WOW's will be available from your class teacher throughout the year for you to notify us of anything that your child has impressed you with at home. This could be anything from "Donald got himself dressed all by himself today" or "Jessie swam with no arm bands for the first time".



Attendance and Illness

It is essential that your child is in school as much as possible, to support their learning. We are happy to monitor children who are not feeling 100% throughout the day and phone home if we feel the child needs to go home. Just let a member of staff know at drop off.

If your child is not attending school for any reason, please ring the school by 8:30am **(01803 854011)**.

Alternatively, you can email the reason for your child's absence to [**absense@eppsa.org.uk**](mailto:absense@eppsa.org.uk).

To prevent the spread of infection, if your child has sickness and/or diarrhoea they should remain at home for 48 hours after their last bout of illness, even if they appear well enough to be in school.

Medical Information

Please let your child's class teacher know of any medical information we need to be aware of. If your child has an inhaler or requires an EpiPen or regular medication, it is important that we have these in school at all times and all relevant paperwork is completed.

If your child requires any medicine, we ask that you sign this in and out at Main Reception and fill in the necessary paperwork.

Please do not leave medication in your child's bag

School Dinners

All children in Reception are entitled to a free school lunch. These include hot dinner options, as well as a sandwich option.

The food children eat at school plays an important role in their wellbeing, and eating a well-balanced diet will not only maintain and improve their health but will also set them on the right track for later life. Our school meals are provided by A.B.M Catering, who serve fresh, high quality, and locally sourced food cooked in our kitchen.

Meals must be pre-booked and pre-paid online via the Arbor app.

Packed Lunches

If you choose to provide your child with a packed lunch, we recommend just 4 or 5 items for your child to enjoy. Children are encouraged to finish their lunches and those children with lots of items find this difficult, which can become upsetting for them.



Our Breakfast Club

8.00am-8.50am

Located: KS2 Hall

After School Club

3.05pm-5.30pm

Located: KS1 Hall

All sessions are booked and paid for via Arbor our online booking system. Please contact the main office for more information.



Uniform

Our uniform is:

- White polo shirt
- Green sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece
- Dark grey or black trousers or skirt
- Flat, sturdy black shoes.

During the summer months, children can wear:

- Dark grey or black shorts
- Green and white checked summer dress
- Dark coloured, flat and substantial sandals.



Our PE Kit is:

- House colour t-shirt
- Black shorts (joggers/leggings in colder months)
- PE shoes - trainers/plimsolls

Uniform can be purchased from Lavender Mob (LMob) situated in Brixham's high street.

Wellies: We are lucky enough to have a forest school at Eden Park and for this reason we ask that a pair of wellies are left at school on your child's peg to be worn when working in the 'Wild for Learning' area. Alternatively, 'Wild for Learning' takes place on Wednesday. After the October half term break.

Please ensure all clothes are clearly named, including shoes!

What Should My Child Bring to School?

Please ensure the following items are brought in daily:

- ✓ A clearly named drinks bottle
- ✓ A clearly named book bag
- ✓ A clearly named packed lunch box (if you choose to provide them with one)
- ✓ Spare clothes (including socks)



How to Contact Us

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September Dates

Monday 1st September: Inset Day (school closed)

Tuesday 2nd September: Inset Day (school closed)

Wednesday 3rd/Thursday 4th/Friday 5th September:
Morning/Afternoon sessions only

**Please see letter given to you child on Class Swap Day or
contact the office to confirm your child's sessions.**

Monday 8th September: Full days (8.40am-3.05pm)

