



to Hazeldene School

New Parents Evening
Wednesday 7th June 2017





Staffing

- Please meet our Foundation Stage staff:
- Mrs Sumner
- Mrs Carpenter
- Mrs White







Roles and responsibilities



Our Environment

- Child Initiated areas
- Art area
- Writing area
- Role Play area
- Pegs and coats
- Trays
- Carpet area for register and teaching times.
- Our outside area (having the right clothes coats and wellington boots)









Start of Day and End of Day

- The children come into school at 8.40am when the gate is unlocked (we will show you where to come in today)
- The gates will be locked at 8.50am
 (registration time if you arrive after this you will need to go to main Reception to sign in).
- Staff will be on the gate in the morning to take messages and see the children into class.



Early Days

- To begin with (up until half term in October –
 parents are invited to bring their child/ren into
 school). After half term we envisage the
 children coming in from the top gate by
 themselves with staff present.
- Children are to be collected at 3.15pm from outside the classrooms (the gates will be opened at 3pm). Staff will see the children out to their adults.



Home Visits

- We find Home Visits invaluable in helping us to form a picture of your child's needs and interests. They are a time when we can meet you and your child in a relaxed setting and discuss the information you have shared in 'My Unique Child' booklet.
- Please can you sign up today for a Home Visit and please can you have your filled in 'My Unique Child' booklet ready to share on the day of the visit.



'My Unique Child'



- By filling in this booklet, it helps staff provide the best possible care to make sure that learning is right for your child.
- Please take time to share with us on Home Visits:
- Different languages spoken at home
- Important people in your child's life
- Your child's special likes and dislikes
- What makes your child happy
- If your child has a special toy
- What things worry your child
- What helps your child to become independent
- And what motivates your child.



Here are some things that you can do to to help prepare your child for school.

- With your child at home you might want to:
- Read with and to your child
- Sing songs and rhymes with your child
- Go to the library and select books that match your child's interests
- Paint and draw
- Go on visits to places of interests to your child
- Provide opportunities to play with friends at home
- Playing with letters and numbers.



Inside your school pack



- You will find:
- 'My Unique Child' booklet
- Build a scrapbook letter (to bring into school first week back)
- Introduction letter to Friends of Hazeldene
- Information letter regarding Pupil Premium and how to apply
- Guidance on your child's learning and development in the Foundation Stage
- Information about our Care Club
- Where to order labels from
- Where to order uniform from
- An introduction to Numicon (there will be an evening for parents to attend later in the autumn looking at Numicon and phonics)
- How to support at home with early reading and phonics (sounds)
- Starting school checklist (to have up at home)
- A parent's guide to bilingualism
- The present children's own welcome booklet
- The Handbook for parents (everything you need to know)



Starting School Checklist



- Has your child got a pair of wellies? (named for use in the outside area)
- Has your child got a named water bottle (water only please)
- Has your child got a named Book Bag? (Please bring to school every day – no rucksacks as they do not fit into our trays)
- Has your child got a named (Full) PE kit?
- PE kit to include: PE top, shorts, plimsolls, spare socks, jogging bottoms, jogging top all named please and in a named PE bag. Please no earrings on PE days (days to be advised)



Starting School Checklist

- Has your child got a named change of clothing including underwear?
- Are ALL items of clothing named? These will need to include:
- PE kits
- ALL school uniform
- School Shoes
- Coat, hat, gloves etc.
- Book Bag
- Water bottle





During the School Day

- Your child will be offered a snack each day, this is usually a piece of fruit or vegetable. Please advise staff of allergies to any foods.
- Staff will also need to know if your child is a vegetarian and staff will communicate this with kitchen staff.
- Your child will be offered a carton of milk each day – this is free of charge up until they turn 5 and then if you wish your child to continue having milk there will be a charge – you can find the Coolmilk link on the school website.



Collecting your child

- Please fill in the form telling us who you authorise to pick up your child. You may list any members of your family or friends that you already know will, at times be collecting your child.
- If for any reason, another adult needs to collect your child who isn't on the list for safeguarding reasons, we will require that parents provide the adult with the class password and this will be asked for upon collection. (Please see staff for the password).



Lunchtime



- All Foundation children are entitled to a free hot meal.
 This entitlement continues up until the end of Year 2 at school.
- The children will have their lunch at 11.45am and there will be a choice of a hot meal or a packed lunch brought from home.
- A menu for Autumn will be sent home for you to study what is on offer each week.
- Please ensure lunch boxes are named clearly and please remember that small amounts of food are best in small bags or containers within their lunch boxes.



What can I do over the holidays?

- Prepare your child by being positive even if you are feeling anxious.
- Include them in trying on uniform and encourage them to take it off themselves and dress and undress themselves.
- Work on toileting encouraging your child to go to the toilet by themselves, wash and dry their hands.
- Please do not have ears pierced after the children come back in September.



Questions?

 Please feel free to ask questions or see a member of staff this afternoon/this evening.

- Please sign up for a Home Visit
- Please look around
- And mostly...Thank you for coming along to our New Parent's Talk.
 - The Foundation Team