

Can my child bring juice as they don't drink water?

We provide each child with a school water bottle that is refilled whenever needed and cleaned daily. We have found that children who refuse to drink water at home will often drink it at school when they see their friends drinking too. Milk is free until your child turns 5. The school does not order this for you and you will need to register with Cool Milk. More information on the School Milk scheme are available in your welcome pack and on the school website.

Will they be in a class with their friends?

We have tried, where possible and where known, to put children in friendship groups. Children are very good at making new friends.

Will they be helped if they aren't toileting independently?

The summer leading up to the new school year is an ideal time to toilet train children who aren't independent yet. It is essential that they practise being able to wipe themselves and redress independently. A member of staff may be able to offer verbal support to a child who is anxious about toileting independently and offer some supervision however we recommend this is a learning experience that is best taught at home. Children who have had wetting or soiling accidents will of course be changed by 2 members of staff safely and sensitively.

Can my child bring their own snack?

No, all children in Key Stage 1 (infants) receive free fruit on a daily basis.



How do we support our child to get school ready?

Developing independence is a key part of the transition into school. Important activities to practise are:

toileting independently

dressing and undressing

putting on their school shoes

recognising their name.

Reading to your child every day is vital to develop language and early reading behaviours. There is more information about how to support your child in starting school in the Welcome Pack and on the School Website

Do we need to buy everything on the uniform list?

We would prefer your child to wear grey trousers/skirt/ pinafore with a white or blue polo shirt and a school jumper/ cardigan with the school logo. We do not require your child to wear a school fleece or waterproof jacket though these are available if you wish to purchase them. Your child will need a P.E. kit (shorts and tshirt or leotard and plimsolls).

My child is a very fussy/slow eater. How will they be supported?

It is very common to have worries about your child and how they will cope with lunchtimes. We can assure you that children are fantastic at adapting quickly and really enjoy eating alongside all their friends. However, for children who have anxieties about eating we have a luncheon club where our support staff are on hand to reassure children and help to build their confidence at lunchtimes.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. We will be happy to help.



