

WELCOME TO Early Years 2026-2027

MEET OUR TEAM

Team Leader: Mrs Dowson

Pre School: Mrs Brown & Miss Coupland

Nursery: Mrs Dowson

Reception: Mrs Smith

Teaching and Learning Assistants:

Miss Hewison, Mrs Cook, Mrs Hetherington, Mrs Robotham

Pastoral Support: Mrs Stitchell and Miss Langstaff

OUR SCHOOL DAY

Pre School and Nursery morning: 8.30am – 11.20am

Pre School and Nursery afternoon: 12.15pm – 3.05pm

Reception: 8.40am - 3:10pm

PE KIT

Children are expected to bring their PE kit (**red shorts, white t-shirt & trainers**) for every session. PE days are as follows:

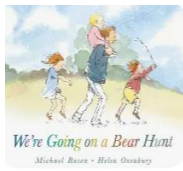
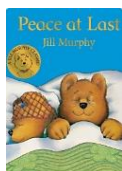
Mrs Dowson: Friday (Morning Nursery)

Mrs Smith: Wednesday & Friday (Reception)

OUR LEARNING THIS HALF TERM

This half term in Nursery, we will be enjoying a selection of bear-themed stories, including *Peace at Last*, *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* and *Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?*. We will also be learning about ourselves and our families, celebrating what makes us unique. In addition, we will begin our Foundations for Phonics programme, helping children develop key listening and communication skills, alongside early maths learning through practical and engaging activities.

This half term in Reception, we will be enjoying *We're Going on a Bear Hunt*, *The Little Red Hen* and *The Leaf Thief*. We will be exploring autumn and harvest, learning about seasonal changes and the importance of harvest celebrations. Children will also begin the Little Wandle phonics programme to develop their early reading and writing skills. In maths, we will build strong foundations through counting, sorting, matching, comparing and exploring patterns.



OUR VALUES

Our school values are very important, and they are non-negotiable within our school community.

This half term we are focusing on ensuring they are followed during learning and social times. The children have made a great start, and we are sure this strength of our school will continue this year.



ATTENDANCE

Your child being in school every day is very important.

If your child is going to be absent, please ring school from 8am to provide a reason.

If your child needs to leave school for an appointment, please ensure you bring evidence of the appointment for the office staff to review.

SCHOOL SUPPORT

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to ask anyone on the gate or telephone school and we will get back to you when we can. We are all here to help with everything, but here are people who can help you in particular areas of school:

Pastoral and Parent Support: Mrs Moore, Mrs Stitchell & Miss Langstaff

SENDCo: Miss Glindon

Safeguarding: Mrs Barkley, Mrs Scaife, Mrs Gardiner and Mrs Moore

FAMILY WELCOME MEETINGS:

This is an opportunity to meet your child's teaching team and find out about the year ahead.

Early Years Meeting: Thursday 24th September 3.30pm