



Useful Information

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School Times -

Main School Doors open 8.50am

Playtime 10:30am - 10:50am

Lunchtime 12.00-1.00pm

Afternoon session 1:00pm - 3:25pm

The School Structure

Your child will be at Primary School for 7 academic years (Sept to Sept). Their first year at school is called 'Reception'. Then, in the following September they will become known as Year 1 pupils. The next September they become known as Year 2 pupils etc, until finally they leave Primary School as a Year 6.

As Ide School currently has 5 classes, most classes have mixed aged groups. The class names are Apple Class (Pre-school), Oak Class (Reception), Maple Class, Willow Class, Elm Class and Chestnut Class.

Playtime

Members of staff are on duty during playtimes to facilitate play and to deal with any minor playground injuries. More serious injuries are dealt with by a qualified first aider. If there is any injury to the head, you will be phoned and a note detailing the incident will be sent home with your child.

At lunchtime members of staff are on duty. Children have access to a variety of playground equipment to play with. Oak Class's Teaching Assistant will be on duty over lunchtime.

Dinners

Children are encouraged to enjoy a FREE school meal. Menus are available (see website) to help parents and children plan and book dinner choices in advance at home and they can be prebooked by you using School Gateway. Daily options include a main meal with meat or fish, a vegetarian option and a jacket potato option. Your child can alternatively bring in a home packed lunch. If children prefer a

packed lunch, please pack healthy foods. We are a **NUT FREE** and **SUGAR SMART** school. Lunch boxes should be left on Oak Class's trolley, as you arrive at school.

Home Time

The children will not be allowed to go unless there is a known adult waiting for them. Please inform the school if an adult other than yourselves will be collecting your child or if your child is attending a club. After School Club staff will collect children who have booked a place. In the event of running late/change of arrangements, please phone the School Office and leave a message.

Breakfast Club and After School Club

A variety of supervised and fun activities are available before and after school. For details and fees please contact the School Office.

Money

All payments are via School Gateway (this includes breakfast club, after school club, dinners, school trips and activities. Gateway is an online payment system. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND LOOSE MONEY INTO SCHOOL.**

Health Matters

If you have any concerns about your child's health or if he/she has a medical condition that we should be aware of please let us know before he/she starts school. We can then discuss the matter with you and be fully aware of and prepared for any possible difficulties. Staff are only allowed to administer prescribed medicines, upon completion of a medical form from the Office. Those children with ongoing medical conditions such as asthma or allergies will need to have prescribed inhalers or prescribed emergency medication in

school. All medications need to be within their use by date. Once again please ask the Office for a medical form to complete.

If your child has a bout of sickness or diarrhoea, please keep him/her off school for 48 hours after the symptoms have stopped. This type of illness spreads so quickly and easily if children come back into school too soon

Toileting

It is expected that children are toilet trained and independent. Encourage your child to go to the toilet before leaving home each morning. The teachers build in regular reminders to visit the toilet during the day, e.g. on the way out to play, in-between sessions. The children can also visit the toilet during sessions on request. Teachers will help and support those occasional 'accidents' and medical related needs. It's useful if parents keep a set of spare underwear in the children's bags. Please let us know if you feel your child may sometimes need more support. We can put you in touch with the School Nurse team. You may find the ERIC website useful too. They provide a free telephone and online helpline:

<https://www.eric.org.uk/>

"ERIC offers a range of support and information for parents and carers. Online information and resources - Potty training, Constipation and soiling, Daytime bladder problems, Bedwetting. Each section has Frequently Asked Questions on the most common queries parents ask our Helpline advisors.

Positive Behaviour Management

In the class we have a range of strategies to promote good behaviour and celebrate good choices. We also believe in clear sanctions. Where

behaviour falls below age/stage expected expectations the child is asked to think about their behaviour and "make a good choice". If the child fails to make a good choice they will be asked to reflect on their choices and talk things through with an adult.

FIS (Friends of Ide School)

A group of parents who support the school in a variety of ways. They hold a number of events throughout the year which raise money for the school. Parents are encouraged to become involved in these events which support the school in providing learning experiences as well as fun events for the children. They also organise school uniform orders. FIS will be able to help you get to know the school routines. It is a great way to feel part of the Ide School family.