

Welcome to



New Parents' Meeting

June 2019

Welcome and Thank You





Admission Packs

- Please return the forms along with a birth certificate at your child's first transition session.
- Birth certificates will be returned to you at your child's second session.
- Any forms not fully complete will be returned.

Staff

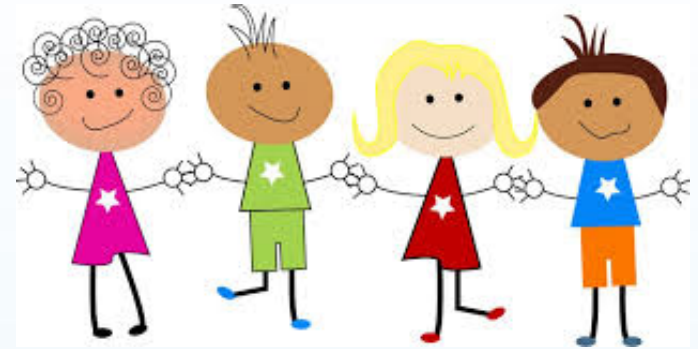
Beech Class: Miss Engall

Oak Class: Mrs Jackson/Mrs To

Support staff: Full time Teaching Assistant
P.E.

Enrichment inc Forest School

DSLs: Ms Jordan, Mrs Jackson, Miss Mattock,
Mrs Betts



Uniform

- * Uniform is ordered and supplied through Birds of Dereham. Items to try for size are available at the office.
- Please name everything, including shoes!
- Your child will be taking part in lots of interesting and sometimes messy experiences, so may come home dirty! It is all part of the learning!
- P.E kit should be kept in school. It will be sent home half termly to be washed.
- Children need wellies in school everyday.

Medical Matters

- Any sickness or diarrhoea, must be followed by 48 hrs absence.
- Any absence requires a telephone call explaining why. Please call us on the first day of absence.
- Prescription medicines can be administered by staff. You must take the medication to the school office to be signed in. You will need to fill in a form giving us permission to administer the medication.
- If your child has asthma and uses an inhaler they will need a blue reliever inhaler in school. You can order a spare inhaler for school from the GP so that it can be kept in school. These will be sent home termly and it is your responsibility to ensure that they remain in date.



Medical Matters

- If your child has a more serious medical condition that needs regular care or monitoring please book an appointment with us as soon as possible so we can be sure we can meet your child's needs.
- Please ensure that your contact details are kept up to date with the school office so that we are able to contact you if your child falls ill during the day.



Transition Sessions

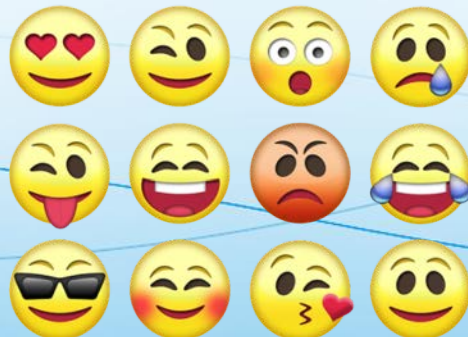
- Teacher visits to Pre-Schools
- Small group visits to classes with key worker
- Picnic (Friday 28th June)
- Open Evening (Thursday 4th July)
- Transition visit to class 1 (Friday 12th July)
- Transition visit to class 2 (Monday 15th July)

Please note: If you are not picking up your own child, you must let us know who is.



The First Day

- Children will either be invited to have their first session on Wednesday 4th OR Thursday 5th September
- This will allow for time and space to settle and to get to know the staff and other children

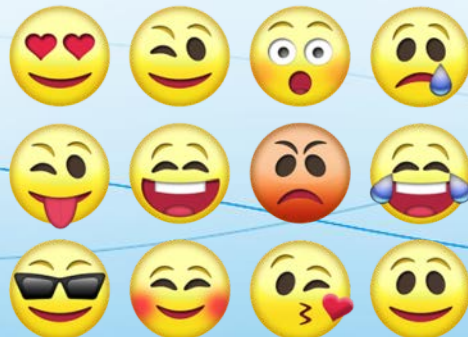


The First Day

- Be positive with your children in preparing them for school and explain to them what will happen.
- ✓ Hang coats and PE kits on their coat peg.
- ✓ Place book bags in their tray in the classroom.
- ✓ Water bottles on the tray in the classroom.
- ✓ Choose lunch option.
- ✓ Find an activity to do with your child and once they are settled tell your child you are going and leave.
- If you are worried about whether your child has settled you are welcome to phone the school for an update. Our staff are very experienced at supporting children to settle. Most children, even if initially upset soon become distracted by their surroundings and settle.

The First Few Weeks

- The children will be busy making friends, getting to know our school, playing and learning.
- They may be more tired than usual. We will provide quiet times as needed throughout the day.
- We will find out what the children already know and use this information to help us plan future learning for each child.
- We would value any contributions you would like to make in helping us get to know your child's needs.



Routine

At School...

- Fruit or Veg snacks
- Lunchtime
- PE and other regular events

And at Home!

- Reading and other homework tasks
- Checking your child's book-bag daily



Learning!

- Meeting in September for more information
- The Early Years Foundation Stage continues from pre-school
- 7 Areas of Learning
- Talking, Phonics and Reading – everyday!
- Your support is essential and makes a real difference



Finding out how your child is getting on

It is important that parents and the staff caring for your child work together. We want you to feel comfortable about exchanging information and discussing things that will benefit your child.

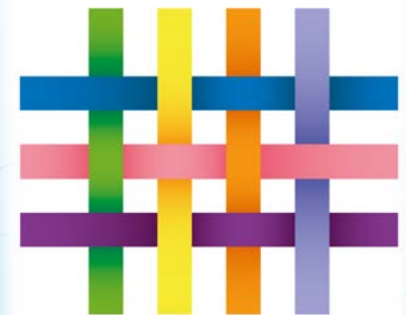
Your child's class teacher will be available at the beginning and end of school for quick messages

Please ask for an appointment if you need a little longer to chat

Formal parents evenings will be held four times throughout the year.

Tapestry

- We will record your child's learning and experiences using the online learning journal, Tapestry.
- To build a more complete understanding of your child's interests and progress, please add your own observations as often as you can. They will be regularly shared in class.



Helping your child to be ready for school

All children develop skills at different times, but it would really support your child, if over the Summer they had practised the following things:

- Using the toilet independently
- Washing and drying their hands
- Using a knife and fork
- Opening their lunchbox and/or drink bottle
- Dressing and undressing themselves (Have a practise at changing into their PE kit and school uniform)
- Sharing and taking turns
- Tidying up things they have used – Choose it, Use it, Put it Away!
- Talking and listening!

Please remember....

If you have any concerns or questions, we will be happy to help you.

Thank you.

