

Welcome Letter - Reception

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Our names are Miss Moss and Mrs Chmaissani (Reception teachers). We would like to welcome you back to a new school year. We are very excited about teaching your children this year and we are already impressed with the effort and attitude they have been showing towards their learning and behaviour.

We are also extremely lucky as we have Miss Blackmun and Miss Isaac supporting the children in class. We would just like to inform you of some important and useful information that will hopefully help you and your child settle into Reception.

In the morning:

School starts at 8:45 am. Please bring your child to the black EYFS gate in the back playground and wait for the class teacher to meet them. It is very important that your child is in school and on time. Good attendance and punctuality are essential if children are to make good progress in school. If your child is not in school, please ring the school to let us know. If your child is late, please sign them in at the front office.

At the end of the day:

Please **ensure you collect your child at 3:05pm** from their teacher in the back playground. Please let us (and the office) know ahead of time if you have made alternative collection arrangements, especially if it is someone unfamiliar to us.

School uniform:

At Edward Wilson Primary School we pride ourselves on our smart appearance. All children are expected to wear:

1. black shoes (no white trims, all black), not trainers;
2. stud earrings (not hooped/dangling earrings) and no other jewellery;
3. regular headbands and clips (no horns or ears on headbands)
4. no nail polish
5. grey trousers/skirt (not jogging bottoms or leggings)
6. a navy jumper and not hooded tops.
7. simple, plain hair bands
8. head scarves should be one colour only

PE:

Your child will have PE sessions on a **Tuesday**. The correct uniform includes:

- a plain white T-shirt
- navy bottoms
- navy shorts
- black plimsolls or trainers.

Water Bottles:

Your child needs to bring a water bottle to school with them. This bottle will stay in their class and will be available to them as and when they need a drink.

Newsletter and school website:

It is really important for parents to read the weekly newsletter to find out any important information, events taking place or updates. The link to the newsletter is sent out each week via text message - simply press the link and the newsletter will open. The newsletter is also



available on the school website.

Reading Books & Records:

Please return books each **Wednesday**, your child will then receive a new book on **Thursday**. Please read with your child every night as this is part of their home learning. Please sign their record daily next to the book titles and comment. Each child will be given a plastic Reading book bag. Please keep the books and record safely in this bag. There will be a £5 charge for any lost books.

Homework:

Pupils will be given homework on a **Monday** and this should be returned the following **Friday**. The homework will revise work covered in class. Your child will be given: handwriting and number formation. Please ensure your child completes the homework set every week.

Reception Fund:

We request a one-time payment of £10 for cooking and consumables for the year. Please pay your child's class teacher.

Spare Clothes:

Please bring a set of spare clothes to school in case we need to change your child. Please bring leggings/trousers/skirt, pants/knickers, socks/tights and a top.

Trips:

Parents will need to attend a visit training prior to coming on trips to ensure they are aware of safeguarding and expectations for helpers. **The first session for the year will be held on Wednesday 10th September at 9:00am.**

Online safety:

Soon, there will be a workshop to inform parents how to keep your child safe while they are online. The date will be shared via newsletter.

PTA: On Thursday 26th September, there will be a Parent Teacher Association (PTA) information morning in the middle hall at 9:00am-9:30am.

Thank you in advance for all your support. We look forward to working together with you all. If you would like to talk to one of the teachers for any reason, we will be available at the end of each day. Miss Moss, Mrs Chmaissani, Miss Blackmun and Miss Isaac