



Our Lady & St. Edward's Catholic Primary School

Welcomes the families of children
who will start school in September
2022



This evening you will....

- meet some of the staff
- find out more about the school
- consider how to prepare your child for school
- find out about the visits for this term and the schedule for September
- gain an insight into Reception Class
- have an opportunity to ask questions



Introductions

- Early years staff
- KS lead
- Deputy Headteacher
- Office



Mission Statement

We are inspired by the teachings of Jesus Christ who is at the heart of all that we do.

Working in unity with our families, parish and community, we encourage and support the children to grow in faith and reach their full potential in a happy, caring and loving environment.



Education is a partnership

- parents are the primary educators
- school staff and parents work closely
- school and home have strong links with the parish
- we are part of a diverse community
- Mater Ecclesiae Multi-Academy Trust

Religious Education



Daily Prayer and Liturgy

Class Collective Liturgies

Assemblies – Monday Gospel Assembly, Friday
Celebration Assembly

Diocesan approved scheme

Visits by Priests and Sisters

Information pack - action required :



- pupil data collection sheet
- starting school - parents' questionnaire
- Video/photograph/internet consent form
- milk and school lunch letter (UIFSM)
- Email and school App
- School Club Policy, registration and booking form
- Parking Pledge and PTA
- uniform –team colour identified on letter, named
- SEND needs



School visits

Summer term half day visits

- The children will be introduced to school with 2 afternoon visits. Children to arrive at school at 1.15pm and to be collected at 3.00pm:-
- Tuesday visits- to attend Tuesday 28th June and Tuesday 5th July
- Thursday visits - to attend Thursday 30th June and Thursday 7th July



Attendance

- Leave in term time is granted only for exceptional circumstances
- Important for continuity in learning, progress, social interactions



Full Day Visits

- September
- If your child attended on pre-school visits on Tuesdays - to attend all day Monday 5th September and Wednesday 7th
- If your child attended on pre-school visits on Thursdays - to attend all day Tuesday 6th September and Thursday 8th
- All children to attend full time from Friday 9th September



How can we prepare our child for school?

Teach/encourage them to:

- talk about school and the adults they will see
- encourage communication skills; asking questions and listening to the answer, sharing and taking turns.
- Manners and behaviour
- use the toilet properly and wash hands
- look after their things and tidy up
- know how to use a knife and fork
- dress and undress (putting clothes on the right way)
- get ready for learning to read by sharing and enjoying books, play listening and rhyming game, reading is about what you hear just as much as what you see. b-e-d
- recognise their name and attempt to write it
- develop early number sense – it's much more than being able to count
- gross and fine motor skill development activities

When your child starts school



- Listen to your child read every night.
- A weekly newsletter
- Look out for Termly Curriculum Newsletters to inform you of our learning in class.
- If you ever have any queries/concerns please come and speak to a member of the Foundation Stage Team.

SENDCo

- Mrs Joanna Lough



PTA

- Vicky Haslam



Useful Contacts -

- Karen Woods – Headteacher
- Katie Sudell-Reception Class Teacher
- Joanna Lough-SENDCo
- Nicky Kippax – School Business Support Officer
- Jane Joyce - School Club
- Vicky Haslam – Chair of PTA
- Fr Ernest and Fr Mario - Priest
- Sr Shienrose and Sr Maria Dee

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