# WELCOME TO GREEN LANE PRIMARY ACADEMY EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE

Thank you for choosing Green Lane Primary Academy for your child as they begin their journey in education. The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) at Green Lane Primary Academy is situated at the St. Mary's end of the main school site.

Our EYFS provision caters for children aged three to five.

### Nursery provision for 3 - 4 year olds

15 hours am

15 hours pm

30-hour full time

#### Reception provision for 4 - 5 year olds

3 full time classes

The timings and drop off/pick up locations are as follows:

	Flexible drop off	Flexible pick up	
30 Hours Nursery	8:40 – 8:50 am	3:20 – 3.25 pm	
	Butterflies Outdoor area	Foundation Stage Entrance	
15 Hours Morning	8:40 – 8:50 am	11:35 – 11:40 am	
Nursery	Foundation Stage Entrance	Foundation Stage Entrance	
15 Hours Afternoon	12.25 – 12.30 pm	3:20 – 3.25 pm	
Nursery	Foundation Stage Entrance	Foundation Stage Entrance	
Reception Year	8:40 – 8:50 am	3:10 – 3.15 pm	
	Reception Outdoor Area	Reception Outdoor Area	

#### **PARK AND STRIDE**

We are very fortunate to have the use of Middlesbrough Rugby Club on Green Lane and ask that you safely park there and walk the short distance to school. It's a great way to start the day!

There are no parking facilities on site. As a safety measure, we strongly urge you not to park in the surrounding streets, especially on the double yellow lines and yellow school markings.

#### **SAFEGUARDING**

Please note, children must be collected by a responsible person over the age of sixteen. Each person involved in the collection of your child should know the security password you provided on the registration form. If staff are unfamiliar with the person collecting, they will ask for this password as a security measure.

Please be understanding while we get to know our families and their wider support networks.

To help keep our children and families safe:

- Dogs are not allowed onto the school site.
- Green Lane Primary Academy is a non-smoking site.
- Parents **must not** reprimand other children. Any problems must be brought to the attention of school staff, who will endeavour to find a solution.
- Bicycles, scooters, skateboards, etc. must not be ridden on the school site. We have a bike shed for your convenience.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE USE OF MOBILE PHONES IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE SCHOOL BUILDING.

PHOTOGRAPHS MUST NOT BE TAKEN ON THE SCHOOL SITE.

## **MEET THE EYFS TEAM**

#### **NURSERY STAFF**













# Reception















#### **CURRICULUM**

We plan in accordance with Development Matters (2020) – Curriculum guidance for the Early Years Foundation Stage. The principles of this are based on seven areas of learning:

Prime Areas Specific Areas

Communication and Language Literacy

Physical Development Mathematics

Personal, Social and Emotional Understanding the World

Expressive Arts and Design

The seven areas of learning are delivered through a stimulating and engaging curriculum, divided into six half-termly Learning Contexts.

Nursery 30 Hour	Nursery 15 Hour	Reception	
All About Me	Welcome to Nursery	Feelings and Friendship	
Animals and Habitats	Dark Nights, Bright Lights	We are all heroes	
Transport and Travel	Who's Afraid?	Fabulous Food	
Food Glorious Food	Bear Necessities	Dinosaur Discovery	
Spring is in the Air	Who's the King of the	Shiver M' Timbers	
	Castle?		
Exploring and Investigating	Up the Boro!	Animal Antics	

Further information including Curriculum maps for each half term are displayed on the school website.

#### **HOMEWORK**

The very best way to support your child at home is to provide a language rich environment. Spend as much time as you can talking, listening, singing songs and nursery rhymes and sharing stories every day. Ask questions and encourage your child to have conversations. Technology has become a vital part of our everyday life and has many benefits. However, for young children, access to ipads, tablets, phones etc. needs to be carefully monitored and limited. No technology can replace the intimacy and benefits of a bedtime story!

Children will bring home a wide range of homework activities during their time in EYFS, encompassing all areas of the Foundation Stage Curriculum, and we ask for your support in helping your child to complete these activities at home.

Life experiences are very important and make a huge difference to children's development. Make use of the outdoor environment and enjoy sharing experiences of the wider world together, such as:

jumping in the waves and collecting shells on a beach

- visiting a farm and learning the names of the animals
- walking in the forest, collecting leaves, twigs or conkers
- looking after a garden, digging and planting and watching new life grow
- finding items off a shopping list in the supermarket and helping to put the shopping away

#### **INDEPENDENCE**

We promote independence for all children. You can help at home by encouraging your child to:

- use the toilet independently and wash hands
- put their coat on and fasten it
- speak in a clear audible voice and answer questions
- dress and undress independently
- put shoes on the correct feet and fasten them
- eat using a knife and fork and drink from an open cup
- walk short distances rather than sitting in a pushchair

#### **LUNCH TIME**

#### Nursery

Morning and Afternoon nursery - 15 hour children do not have lunch at school.

Our 30-hour children eat their lunch in the school dining hall, accompanied by Nursery staff, who then transition them into the Afternoon Nursery Session. School meals can be purchased at a cost of £2.10 a day, or you are welcome to provide your child with a packed lunch. We would encourage all children to try school meals in the first instance.

**Reception** — Reception children eat their lunch in the dining hall, supported by midday assistants, followed by a period of outdoor play. School meals are provided free of charge for Reception children under the Universal Free School Meal - government scheme. We would encourage all children to try school meals in the first instance, but you are welcome to provide a packed lunch if you prefer.

If you choose to provide a packed lunch, please send this in a clearly labelled lunch box/bag and adhere to the following school policies:

- Nuts are not allowed
- grapes must be cut up

- Only one treat item is permitted and this must not be sweets or a chocolate bar.
- Fizzy drinks are not allowed

#### FRUIT, DRINKS AND SPECIAL SNACKS

All children are offered a free piece of fruit each day at snack time. In addition, children are welcome to bring their own fruit from home. During the year, we have special snacks which are related to topics, celebrations or seasonal produce. Please ensure that staff are informed of any allergies.

Nursery aged children are supplied with milk every day and water is always available. Reception children are issued with a school water bottle, which should be filled at home and sent into school every day. Please note that juice and flavoured water are not permitted, in line with government guidelines.

If you wish to send treats for your child to distribute on their birthday, please be aware that we are unable to accept birthday cakes or home-made items. Individually wrapped, shop bought cakes, sweets or chocolates can be handed out to the children at the end of the day.

#### **UNIFORM AND CLOTHING**

**RECEPTION** - Uniform is compulsory for Reception children and our policy is set out below:

Royal blue sweatshirt/jumper Royal blue cardigan/jumper

Grey or black trousers/jogging bottoms Grey or black skirt/trousers/pinafore

Grey/black school shorts Blue gingham school dress

Black school shoes (not trainers)

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PE KIT HOMEWORK BAG

White cotton t shirt

All Reception children require a royal
Blue/black shorts (football or cycling style)

blue Green Lane homework bag.

Black plimsolls

HOMEWORK BAGS AND OTHER UNIFORM ITEMS CAN BE PURCHASED FROM OUR ONLINE SHOP. PLEASE CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW:

http://greenlane.gooddies.co.uk/

NURSERY – Uniform is optional for Nursery children. Many families choose to wear school

uniform as a matter of ease and convenience. If you decide not to use school uniform, please

ensure that your child is dressed in comfortable clothing with easy fastenings to enable them

to be independent when using the toilet. Our curriculum involves messy and wet play and

although aprons are provided, sometimes marking on clothes is unavoidable. Therefore, we

ask that you do not send your child to Nursery in their best clothes.

Our EYFS curriculum also involves exploring and investigating the outdoor environment. We

use the outdoor area every day so we ask that your child wears a warm, waterproof coat and

a hat during the winter. In summer please provide a sun hat/cap for protection and apply sun-

cream before coming to school.

Please remember to label all of your child's clothing and belongings so that we can return

them to you easily.

In the interest of safety, jewellery must not be worn in school. This includes earrings, bangles,

necklaces and watches as they can get caught on equipment and cause injury.

**FURTHER INFORMATION** 

We hope that you find this information useful as your child prepares to start their time with

us. If you have any queries now, or in the future, please do not hesitate to contact a member

of staff.

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You will find lots more information by exploring our school website:

www.greenlanemiddlesbrough.co.uk

Twitter: https://twitter.com/GLPrimary

We look forward to getting to know your child and

your family.

**GREEN LANE – A BIG SCHOOL WITH A BIG HEART**