"For a small child there is no division between playing and learning; between the things he or she does just for fun and things that are educational. The child learns while living and any part of living that is enjoyable is also play."

Penelope Leach



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# Welcome to our Early Years Foundation Stage

King Street Primary and Pre-School



A space to discover the magic of learning.

# A warm welcome from our 'house' to yours!

Our team would like to offer a warm welcome to you and your child. We are looking forward to working together.

#### **Our Team**

We have five full time Early Years practitioners who will be your child's Key Person.

They are your point of contact should you have any issues or worries.

- Miss Louise Whitfield
- Mrs Fiona Scott
- Mrs Paula Hopwood
- Miss Samantha Brown
- Miss Kate Starkie

Outdoor specialist: Mrs Sarah Kenna

**Specialist sports assistant**: Mr Paul Swift

Each morning you will be greeted at the door by members of staff from Pre-School and Reception who will ensure that your child enters our building safely. They will record any messages that need to be passed onto your Key Person as they may not be available to speak to you at that time. Should you require a phone call to discuss an important matter, this will happen once the children are in and settled.

## Our Day

- We will open our double doors from 8:40am until 8:55am. Anyone arriving after 8:55am will need to come to the main entrance.
- The day will begin with children gathering for Family Group Time with their Key Person. They will plan their day and reflect on what learning has taken place the day before.
- Children will then go off to play.
   Members of staff are there to facilitate and document the learning that takes place.
- Our morning session for Pre-School children ends at 11:40am. The main gates will be opened for children to be collected at this time.
- If any of our morning Pre-School children are staying for lunch, the lunchtime session ends at 12:15pm
- Our afternoon session for Pre-School begins at 12:15pm.
- At the end of the session, children will gather in their Family Groups to review their day.
- At 3pm, the gates to the main yard and our doors will be opened for you to collect your child from our double doors.

- We would be grateful if you would provide £1 donation each week to cover the costs of snacks. This can be paid weekly, half-termly or termly.
- Please telephone school to let us know if your child is going to be absent. Ideally, this should happen before 9am.
- If your child has sickness or diarrhoea, they must <u>not</u> return to EYFS until 48 hours after the last incident.
- Please ensure all items (including shoes!) are named. This way we can ensure that items are given to the correct children.
- Please provide spare clothes (in a clearly named bag) that can remain on your child's peg. Accidents do happen and children feel more comfortable when wearing their own clothes.
- If your child still requires nappies, please provide nappies, wipes and nappy bags in a clearly labelled bag.
- Please ensure that the contact details we have in school are up to date in case of emergencies.
- Children will access outdoor Forest School Learning one session each week. This will be led by our outdoor specialist, Sarah. We will let you know in September when the session is and give further details of what this entails.

We are here to help you. Please don't hesitate to arrange an appointment with your Key Person to discuss any issues that may affect your child.