

## Questions parents/guardians may ask or have asked in the past

### -What uniform should my child wear?

The basic uniform for Reception is a white polo shirt, dark grey trousers, shorts, skirt or dress, white socks and black shoes. The children can either wear a school jumper or cardigan- Spofforth is navy blue, Follifoot is royal blue. P.E kit is navy shorts and a white t-shirt. Follifoot school has a royal blue T-shirt. Please can these remain in school with a pair of trainers/pumps. Please can EVERYTHING be named including shoes! Nursery can wear their own clothes!

### -What should my child bring to school?

In Reception a book bag (flat rectangle shape) is useful. When your child begins to bring home reading books and phonics work home it fits well in a book bag. A named coat depending on the weather. Wellies may be useful but we do not need these often as our outside is not muddy! There is no need to bring a water bottle as the children have access to water all the time and are encouraged to drink at snack time and lunch time. If your child is likely to have accidents a few spare pairs of pants to keep in their book bag or P.E bag is always useful.

### -What will happen at lunchtime?

The children eat in the school hall with children in class 2. Nursery are served their lunch at the tables. The children line up and wait to go to the computer near the food trolley. They press their name which will show the option that has been pre-ordered for them by you on SCHOOL GRID. They receive their meal and sit down. There will be 3/4 members of staff available to help the children cut up food, encourage trying new foods etc. Teachers will also keep a very close eye on how the children are coping at lunchtime. After their main they can choose a pudding. After 30 minutes (12:30) class 1 and 2 will then go into the bigger playground as Class 3 and 4 will have their lunch. Most reception children have a school lunch as it is currently free for all children in Reception, year 1 and 2. Nursery have to pay for their meal (currently £2:50) If children prefer, they can bring a packed lunch.

### -What will a typical day look like for my child?

8:50-9:00 Welcome and register (parents/carers are encouraged to come into the classroom and drop off their children)

9-9:30-Adult led carpet session (story/maths/PSHE/music)

9:30-11-Children spend time inside and outside in provision/play/activities and also adult led activities

11-Tidy up time

11:10-11:30 Phonics

11:30-Toilet, wash hands, story/poems, prayer for lunch.

11:50 line up for lunch

12-12:30 Eat lunch

12:30-1-play in main playground

1-Register

1:10-1:30 Reading in groups

1:30-2:40- Children spend time inside and outside in provision/play/activities and also adult led activities

2:40 Tidy up time

2:50-3:15- Collective worship

**-Can my child go to the toilet when they want to and can you help them?**

Yes they can. We have toilets in the classroom and the children can go to the toilet. They will be encouraged to go when we have finished carpet time, but until we get to know the children and their habits, they can access the toilets whenever they want. We can help the children in the toilet if required but we do encourage them to have a go at wiping and changing themselves independently. We are used to accidents so please do not worry if your child is prone to them. If this is the case please keep some spare clothes in their bag or P.E kit.

**-Will my child be able to have a snack?**

We currently have a snack area in the classroom. In the morning, after carpet time, the children can choose to have snack (once a day) They choose a piece of fruit and a savoury snack such as a breadstick or a cracker. They also choose a drink of either water or milk. Milk is ordered by parents using the COOL MILK website. For snack we are asking for a voluntary £9 per full term for Reception-this works out at £27 for the year. We will work out Nursery snack per session and add it to PARENT MAIL.

**-Will my child have a key worker like they do in nursery?**

Yes they do. In September we will let you know who their key worker is HOWEVER please feel free to talk to all members of staff about your child. We are a very close team and will discuss, where appropriate, any concerns that are important for us all to know. When it is parent's evening you can make an appointment with either teacher. We work, observe and play with ALL children so we will know them all equally.

**-How will I receive key information about the school and my child?**

School newsletters every 2 weeks

School texts as appropriate

School website

Class Dojo app

Weekly Early Years newsletter

Writing in book records

Face to face conversations at end of the day/requested meetings/parents evenings/reports

Please ensure we have up to date information particularly mobile numbers and emails.

**-How will I pay for things at school?**

School is cashless! School dinners are ordered and paid for through SCHOOL GRID any trips or snack payment is through PARENT MAIL. Info should be in your packs but please ask us if you are unsure!

