

# Parkland Primary School

Learning together



Foundation Stage Transition Booklet

2022/23

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## The Foundation Stage Teachers



Mr Scarborough  
**Ash Class Teacher**



Mrs Divers and Mrs Pryor  
**Oak Class Teachers**



Miss Marvin  
**Beech Class Teacher**



Miss Owen  
**EYFS Phase Leader**

## The Foundation Stage Teaching Assistants



Mrs Chambers

Mrs Davies



Mrs Pawley

## Our PE Teacher



Mr Hackfath



This is our hall; our indoor PE lessons will be in here.

## Starting School

All children in EYFS will start school on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2022** (after August Bank Holiday Monday).

Children will attend for mornings only initially to support them getting used to the school environment, routines, expectations, and the new people they will be meeting:

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September**

**8.40am – 11.30am**

During these afternoons, teachers will offer phone calls with parents. These meetings are to support with any questions about school that parents may have, and to get to know the children and their families.

All children in EYFS will start full-time from

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September.**

**8.40am – 3.10pm**

**Timetable to start**

<b>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022</b>	<b>Mornings only</b> 8.40am to 11.30am
<b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022 onwards</b>	<b>Full School Day</b> 8.40am – 3.10pm



We very much look forward to meeting and welcoming new parents and children to Parkland.

## Transition

**We have arranged for teachers to visit pre-schools and are able to offer the opportunity for pre-schools to visit us during the summer term.**

Children and their parents will have an opportunity to join us for a Stay and Play event at the start of July in EYFS. This is an opportunity for your child to meet his/her peers and the class teachers while playing in the learning environment with parents there. This is a great opportunity for parents and children to get to know the class teacher and other staff in EYFS. Parents and children will be able to see the learning environment and go through the routines before starting school.

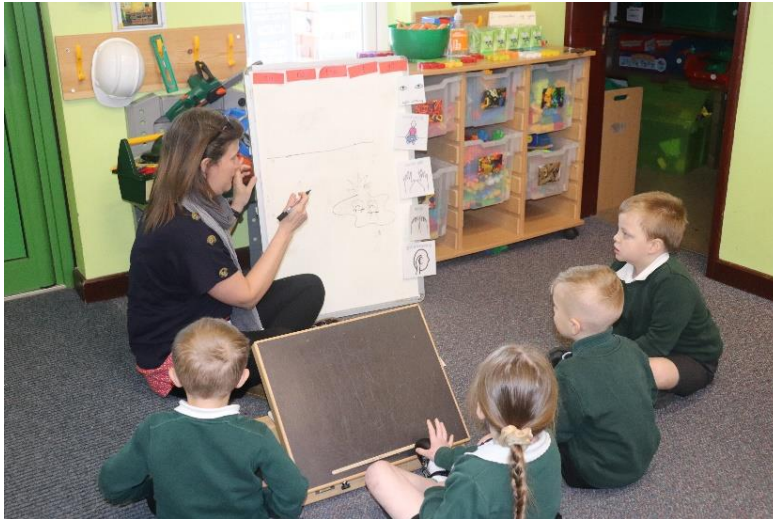
**Ash Class: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022 9.30am – 10.15am**

**Oak Class: Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2022 9.30am – 10.15am**

**Beech Class: Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2022 9.30am – 10.15am**



## The Foundation Stage



The Foundation Stage is a crucial part of your child's development.

At Parkland we have created a warm and friendly learning environment for children during these initial stages of their school journey.

The learning environment

is full of exciting learning opportunities for children to play, learn and work together.

Play is an important part of early learning as it teaches children not only knowledge and understanding through discovery, but also fundamental social skills such as sharing, co-operating and communicating.



The school day involves a mixture of teacher led sessions and 'free flow' activity. Teacher led sessions are used to develop phonics, speech/language skills, reading, writing, maths, creative and physical development, and knowledge and understanding of the world. During free flow, children are encouraged to choose from a number of carefully planned activities that will stimulate their learning, support independence, and help them achieve their next developmental steps. Adults use questioning and facilitate learning through skilful intervention in the children's play.

Children's achievements and attainment are measured against the Early Years Foundation Stage Profile, the statutory assessment for EYFS set out by the Department of Education.



## A typical day in EYFS at Parkland

**8.40am** – Arrive at school on the EYFS playground, line up in classes ready to be greeted by the class teachers.

**8.40-9.00am** – Morning Activity and Register

**9.00am** – English and Topic Lesson

**9.30am** – Freeflow activity time with opportunities to choose their own learning inside and outside

**10.15am** – Snack time. Children will be given free fruit and milk or water

**10.30am** – Maths Lesson

**11.00am** – Phonics Lesson

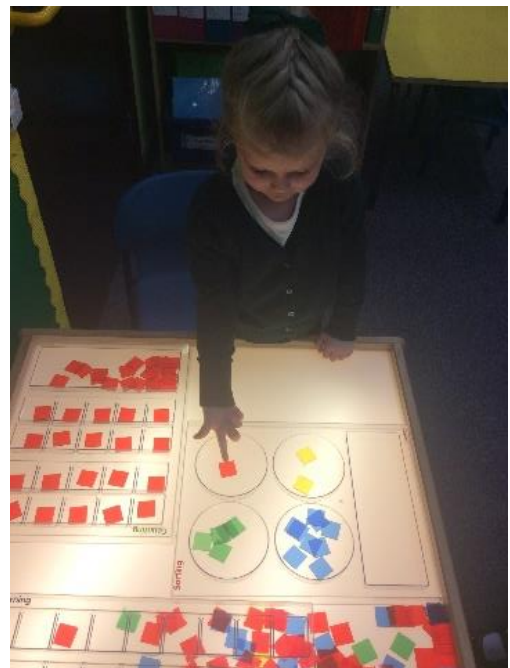
**11.30am** – Lunchtime. Children will have the choice from three free hot meal options every day.

**12.30pm** – Storytime/Dough Disco/Assembly/Class Sharing

**1.00pm** – PE/Music/PSHE/RE/Freeflow activity time with opportunities to choose their own learning inside and outside

**2.30pm** – Story time

**3.10pm** – Home time



## Morning Routine

School starts at 8.40am, teachers will open the doors at this time and welcome children into the classrooms. Children will go into school on their own, staff will be in the classrooms helping them to put their belongings away and settle in. We will be available to speak to parents on the playground before the children come inside.



This is our cloakroom. In here children will have a peg, with their name on, to hang their coat and PE kit. In classrooms, children will have a named drawer to keep their book bag in. It is really important children can recognise their own name so they can find their peg and drawer!

### Children will need:

- A book bag in school everyday
- A reusable water bottle in school everyday
- Wellies – these can stay in school for the year. We go outside in all weathers!
- Weather appropriate outdoor clothing e.g. water proof/warm coat, hat, scarf and gloves in the winter and a sun hat for the summer
- No toys or personal belongings from home are allowed in school

Please make sure all belongings and items of clothing are **named**. There are 90 children sharing the same cloakroom, things do get mixed up, however if **full names** are in belongings we can aim to make sure they get back to their rightful owner!

## Our Playground



This is where you will arrive in the mornings and wait to be greeted by your class teacher each day.



Keep an eye on our Parent's Notice Board for regular updates about school.



This is where we keep our wellies. We like to go outside in all weathers, so make sure you bring yours!

## School Uniform

At Parkland Primary School we expect the children to be in school uniform every day. Children in EYFS have opportunities to play outside and with messy elements every day. Please understand that your child needs to be warm and comfortable and may come home with evidence of their learning on their uniform!

Children in EYFS may wear:

- Green sweatshirt or cardigan
- White polo shirt
- Grey trousers, shorts, dress or skirt
- Grey, black or white socks or grey/black tights
- EYFS children are also allowed to wear black joggers or leggings to support our active curriculum
- Black school shoes/black trainers with no coloured logo or markings and no laces
- A suitable coat



**In Summer children are also welcome to wear:**

- Green checked dress
- Grey or black shorts

**On PE days children are expected to come to school in their PE kits.**

**PE Uniform**

- Sweatshirt (no logo)
- Green or white plain T shirt
- Black or grey jogging trousers or shorts (no logo)
- Trainers/plimsoles (no laces)

**ALL UNIFORM SHOULD BE CLEARLY LABELLED WITH CHILD'S NAME.**

School uniform, displaying our school logo, can be purchased from Marks and Spencer. Orders can be made online and items are delivered directly to parent's home addresses.

**School Uniform can be ordered on-line from M&S:**

**Website Address: [www.mandsyourschooluniform.com](http://www.mandsyourschooluniform.com)**

**Contact Number: 0844 544 7972**

**Email: [help@mandsyouruniform.com](mailto:help@mandsyouruniform.com)**

Plain school uniform can be purchased from high street shops and supermarkets

## School Dinner Arrangements

Your child can have either school dinners, or packed lunches bought from home. **All Foundation Stage and Key Stage One children are eligible for Universal Infant Free School Meals.** All children having dinners will be able to choose which dinner they would like during registration every morning. They will have a choice of three meals, which will be colour coded: **Red** (meat option), **Yellow** (light bite) or **Green** (vegetarian).

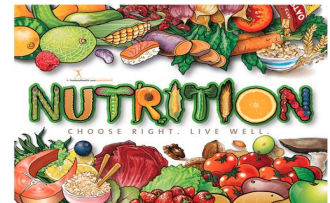
*If your child has a dietary requirement, i.e. an allergy/intolerance to certain foods/ingredients, please contact the school office to discuss having a special diet. A copy of the current school menu can be found at [www.parklandprimary.co.uk](http://www.parklandprimary.co.uk)*



Packed lunches should be simple, healthy and easy to eat. Please make sure lunch bags/boxes are clearly named. Fizzy drinks and glass bottles are **not** allowed. We have several children and members of staff with severe nut allergies and therefore must ask that you ensure that your child's lunches or snacks **do not contain nuts of any sort.** Should we notice that your child is eating or has eaten nuts or nut related food, we will contact you.

## Healthy Eating

We are members of the 'Free Fruit for Schools' scheme and the children will have fruit and other healthy food. During the day the children can choose when to have a piece of fruit and try other healthy snacks. This is called 'Free Flow Fruit'. **Please let us know if your child has any food allergies**



## Cool Milk Scheme



Every child who is under 5 years old will receive a 189ml serving of milk each day. The school will register your child for free school milk at the beginning of the academic year. Their school milk will not only provide them with essential nutrients, but as it is re-hydrating and energy boosting it bridges the long gap between breakfast and lunch and helps children to stay focused.

Once your child reaches 5 years old, you can buy subsidised milk for £14 per term. **YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR THIS SCHEME.** Simply register at [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com) or contact Cool Milk direct on 0844 854 2913.

**Please note that milk will continue to be free for children who are entitled and have applied for 'Free School Meals' once they are 5 years old.**

## **Pupil Premium Funding**

Pupil Premium Funding is additional funding allocated to school by the Government to improve attainment of pupils from low-income families. It enables the school to purchase resources for your child that would not otherwise be available. **It is therefore important that you register, if eligible, as soon as possible.**

Your child may be eligible for Pupil Premium Funding, which would entitle them to:

- **FREE SCHOOL DINNERS**
- **FREE SCHOOL MILK**
- **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITH SCHOOL TRIPS AND ACTIVITIES**

**Do you claim any of the following?**

- Income Support
- Income-based jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Pat V1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

### **Checking eligibility for Pupil Premium Funding is very simple.**

Please contact Leicestershire County Hall on 0116 3055417 or speak to a member of staff in the school office.

Please have your National Insurance Number to hand if you can, and you will be informed of your eligibility immediately.

Please inform the school office of the outcome of the telephone conversation. If you are eligible the relevant department will liaise with the school and the funding will be put in place.

## **Parkland Rangers – Wrap Around Care**

Parkland Rangers is the school's on-site before and after school wrap around care service. Open to all children who attend Parkland Primary School, including Pre-School. Parkland Rangers are based in the Year 4 building with access available at the rear of the school.

### **MORNING SESSIONS:**

**7:30am – 8:45 am (with light breakfast) - £5 per session**

### **AFTERNOON SESSIONS:**

**Early - 3:15pm – 4:30pm - £4.50 per session**

**Late - 3:15pm – 5:45pm (with light snack) - £7.50 per session**

All bookings and payments are made via the online system ParentPay (please see below for further details). A completed registration form will also need to be completed; this can be obtained from the school office.

## **ParentPay**



**ParentPay**

At Parkland, our preferred method of payment is the secure online cashless system, ParentPay, which we believe provides parents with a much more convenient way to pay for trips, school dinners (Key Stage 2), before and after-school care and other activities. The benefits of ParentPay are:

- Offers a highly secure payment site
- Provides a history of all the payments you have made
- You don't have to worry about your child losing money at school

**You will receive a ParentPay account activation letter, at the start of the Autumn Term.**

## **School Term Time**

Our term dates can be found on the school website, together with details of our Teacher Days. If you would like a paper copy of the school term dates, please ask at the school office.

The school is unable to authorise any holiday taken in term time and parents may be subject to a fine if their children are absent from school for this reason. Please ensure that you book any holidays and appointments, where possible, outside of school time.

## Parent and Teacher Communication

At Parkland we want to ensure we build positive relationships with parents from the moment your child starts school. We aim to involve you in your child's learning, progress, and achievements throughout their time with us.

In EYFS we use an online app called Tapestry. We use this to share photos and videos of your child's learning in school and whole class activities. We send details of progress and next steps, together with suggestions of resources and things to do at home to support your child's learning.



Children's Tapestry accounts will be set up from their first day in school and parents will be encouraged to sign up to engage with the in-school learning. You can also add pictures and videos of things your child does at home. These will only be visible to the class teachers.

Parent meetings will be arranged in the afternoons during the first week of school while children are attending part-time. Teachers will be able to share information about the school, answer any questions you may have, and give us the opportunity to get to know you and your child better.

Parent's Evenings will be arranged in the Autumn and Spring Terms to discuss children's progress in school and reports will be written at the end of the year.

Teachers will be available to speak to you briefly before and after school daily, or longer meetings can be arranged by calling the school office.

There will also be opportunities throughout the year for parents to join us at school for stay and plays, or to complete activities in school with your children and occasions when parents will be invited to look at children's school work, books and learning journeys.

**Parents are invited to use the class email addresses to communicate with teachers:**

[ash@dsatparkland.org](mailto:ash@dsatparkland.org)

[oak@dsatparkland.org](mailto:oak@dsatparkland.org)

[beech@dsatparkland.org](mailto:beech@dsatparkland.org)



# EYFS Photo Gallery





