

# Frequently Asked Questions at Open Day Visits at Wouldham All Saints Church of England Primary School



#### How do you settle the children into school?

Our usual routines for settling children include stay and play sessions, craft sessions and also home visits. In September we have a staggered start with a mix of morning and afternoon sessions. The time in school increases as we introduce new experiences to the children, such as lunch. It usually takes around three weeks for the children to be full time in school.

#### What can my child have for Lunch?



Children in Year R, 1 and 2 currently can have a school dinner, alternatively the children can bring their own school lunch from home. All children eat their food in the school hall and at times use the outside seating area.

The current catering provider produces a menu for the term. You can link to an example by <u>clicking here</u>.

### What before and after school provision do you have?

We have wrap around care for before and after school that has to be booked in advance. For the most up to date information please see the school website.

# I think that my child may struggle with learning: what would happen at school?

When the children start school they complete baseline activities and a language screening assessment so that we can see what your child can do. We are then able to support and work out an individual plan for your child. We liaise with the Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO) and can offer ideas and support so that the children can access the curriculum.



### I think my child has behaviour difficulties what would they need in school?

We would work with the previous setting - be that a nursery, pre-school or child minder to see what strategies have been in place to support behaviour and obviously we would discuss with you before

the child started school. We have a number of different strategies that are used to promote positive behaviour.

### I think my child is very able what would you do to help?



When the children start school the learning in class is tailored to their needs. We work in small focus groups to learn to ensure that all needs and abilities are met. Children are challenged through purposeful well planned practical activities to engage and extend their learning.

# How many children in class?

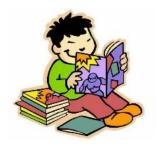
We have two year R classes and they have up to 30 children in each class.

#### What Uniform will my child need?

We wear a royal blue uniform and the cardigans, jumpers and tie can be purchased directly from the school. The children have white shirts/blouses with grey trousers, skirts or dresses. They are also in a PE team and so will have a coloured PE top that can be purchased from the school to wear with black PE shorts and plimsolls.

# How will my child start reading?

Children will start with enjoyment books and as we start to introduce the children to the alphabet and letter sounds they will use a reading online scheme called Bug Club. Reading develops individually and will start once the class teacher feels this is appropriate. The important first step is that they love to listen and hear a variety of different books.



#### What home learning will my child be expected to do?

When the children first start school we always say Read, read and read. They will also have opportunities to share and talk about experiences they have at home. Sometimes learning challenges will be sent for home to support learning in class and we will share ideas for you to support them at home. As you progress through the school the home learning challenges will start and increase in expectation each year.

If you have any further questions please email us at

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