

## Transition into school

- School starts on **2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022** and your child will either attend in the mornings or afternoons for the first week. Their session will either be 9:00am to 11:30am or 12.15pm to 2:45pm. Please note that there will be no lunch included during that week.
- During this settling in you are welcome to accompany your child into school and help them to find their peg and put their coat up.
- From week 2, the children will have their lunch in the dining hall and they will be accompanied by their class teacher and the teaching assistant.
- This programme may be revised for children who are finding it more difficult to settle and we will be as flexible as possible to support individual needs.



## Uniform



- Our uniform can be purchased with the school logo on a badge for jumpers and cardigans. This is available from either Fashion Stop (02085523200) or directly from our school office. Please see the school website for full details on school uniform and price.

The uniform is as follows:

- Grey, navy or black shorts/trousers/skirt
- white shirt or collared polo shirt
- Navy jumper/cardigan
- Black velcro shoes
- PE – white t-shirt, black/grey/navy shorts and tracksuit trousers (winter), black velcro plimsolls.
- PE bags, book bags, polo t-shirts and jumpers will be on sale throughout

## Lunchtimes

- At lunchtime the children have the option to have a school meal or bring packed lunch. We encourage parents to send a fresh and healthy lunch each day without sweets or fizzy drinks.
- School dinners are free of charge, and a range of options are provided including vegetarian and certified halal choices.
- Children are also given fruit as a snack each afternoon in class and this is free.
- We ask that you provide a plastic water bottle for your child with their

name on which can be re-filled throughout the day.



## Playtimes

- The morning playtime starts at 10am and lasts for 15 minutes.
- Children play in the EYFS garden and they are closely supervised by teachers and teaching assistants.
- If your child falls over or is injured during playtime they will be taken to the medical room for immediate

attention. Unless it is a serious injury such as a bang to the head we will not contact you. If your child is very upset and cannot be comforted by us we would let you know.



## Curriculum

In Reception, children begin to develop their skills in Reading, Writing and Maths. They also develop their Communication and Language skills, Expressive Arts and Design, Physical Development, Understanding the World, and Personal, Social and Emotional Development.

Reception mornings are structured to teach core skills such as phonics / reading, writing

and mathematical concepts. We focus on learning through play and exploration as well as teacher-led and independent learning. We offer free-flow provision particularly in the afternoons. Over the summer, if you wish to undertake activities to prepare your child for Reception, we recommend:

- Lots and lots of purposeful talking! The more language a child has, the better they do in all subjects.
- Dressing – encourage your child with their self-help skills such as dressing themselves and taking themselves to the toilet.
- Reading – please read to your child so they learn to sit and listen to a story and develop a passion for books.
- Counting and comparing objects (for example - count out pasta shells or everyday objects you have in your home)
- Preparation for writing – cutting with child scissors, drawing lines, colouring, playdough and threading activities.

## Welcome



**Shaftesbury**  
Primary School

Welcome to Shaftesbury Primary School.  
We are really pleased that your child  
will be joining our school in  
September and we are looking  
forward to a long, happy and  
productive partnership with you.



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