



***Welcome to
St Edmund's Catholic
Primary School
Reception***

Reception Team Staff



Butterfly Class



Mrs McGill
Class Teacher
(EYFS Lead)



Mrs Nash
Teaching Assistant

Reception Team Staff



Ladybird Class



Mrs Rutherford
Class Teacher



Mrs Newman
Teaching Assistant

The Early Years Curriculum

*The early Years Curriculum is currently under review. We are still teaching to the **7 areas of learning and development** from the existing Early Years framework.*

These are:

- *Communication and Language*
- *Physical Development*
- *Personal, social and emotional development*
- *Literacy*
- *Mathematics*
- *Understanding the world*
- *Expressive arts and design*
- *Physical Development*

We will keep parents updated to any changes and will hold a Phonics and Maths workshop for parents in the autumn term and spring terms.



Learning through play



A typical day...

Morning	Afternoon
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8.45am gates open - greeted by Mrs Moreland or Mrs Green• Registration• Prayer time• Phonics session• Teacher led & self-chosen activities<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Making friends and getting to know each other• Singing session• Inside / outside learning• 10.15am Break time• Fruit café and drink• Teacher led & self-chosen activities	<p>Lunch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Teacher led & self-chosen activities• Circle time• Tidy up time• Toilet• Story time• Prayer time• 3.15pm Pick up

HEALTH AND SELF-CARE

DEVELOPMENT MATTERS 30 - 50 MONTHS (2.5 YEARS – 4.1 YEARS)

Areas from the Nursery Curriculum that would be wonderful if children have already achieved...

- “can attend to toileting needs most of the time themselves.
- Can usually manage washing and drying hands.
- ... pulls up own trousers and zipper on coats.”

This will make a huge difference to their confidence when they start school.

SELF-CONFIDENCE & SELF-AWARENESS

DEVELOPMENT MATTERS 22-36 MONTHS (1.10 YEAR – 3 YEARS)

“Separates from main carer with support and encouragement from a familiar adult.”

If you project a relaxed and happy parent, the children will mimic your feelings and be confident to come to school – we sometimes tell parents to pretend!

SCHOOL LUNCHES

All children in Reception are eligible for Free School Meals

Hot school dinners

Meals cooked in school are available for all children, the meals are well prepared, nutritious and healthy. Meals can only be ordered online and must be ordered in advance. Please make sure you have signed up to avail of this service. Water is provided.

Packed lunches

*Alternatively children can bring a packed lunch. In line with our healthy schools status we would encourage the lunch boxes to contain a nutritious and balanced meal. Lunchbox guidelines can be found on the school website. Children may bring drinks in non-breakable flasks or cartons. As a school we operate a **NUT FREE** policy ensuring that any children suffering from a nut allergy are not unnecessarily exposed to nuts.*

SNACK-TIMES

Fruit

Every infant child throughout Richmond Borough is entitled to a free piece of fruit a day, in Reception we use fruit time as an opportunity to encourage social skills, sharing and independence.

Milk

Every infant child under the age of five is entitled to free milk at school. If your child does not like milk, please let your child's class teacher know.

Water

Drinking water throughout the day has been shown to improve concentration, so children are allowed a water bottle with a pull up stopper which they can drink from during the day. The children's first water bottle is a welcome gift from the PA.

Ways To Support Your Child

Teach your child to ask for a drink, say if they are hungry or if they need the toilet.

Ensure your child is toilet trained.

Help your child recognise their name.

Encourage your child to put their toys away and help to tidy up.

UNIFORM

St Edmund's School uniform

Boys



Girls



PE Kit



FAQ's about School Uniform

Main Uniform

- ***Tights may be royal blue, navy or white NOT black.***
- ***Socks may be navy or white knee length, ankle for the summer months.***
- ***School – mini size rucksack NOT the larger junior one for Reception children.***
- ***Dark coat as opposed to brightly coloured if buying new please.***
- ***Shoes to take a polish or patent.***

PE

- ***Shorts – royal blue***
- ***NO track suit bottoms - they do not use these until Y1.***
- ***Plimsolls for indoor PE***
- ***School drawstring bag - should last 7 years.***

WE ARE HERE TO HELP

- We are here every day after school to address any worries or concerns.
- You can give your child a note to hand to us or make an appointment through the office.
- Never be afraid to come and ask for support or guidance.

The Early Years Team
extend a warm
St Edmund's welcome
to you all
and look forward to getting to
know you and your children.