



Welcome to Hurst Green Primary school

Reception Class

2024-2025



Meet the team...

Mrs Webb

Acting Headteacher
DSL

Mr Lander

Acting Deputy Headteacher
EYFS & KSI

Mrs Yeomans

Early Years Lead and
Apricot Class teacher
and

Mrs Parveen

Apricot Class teacher



Mrs MacFarlane

and

Miss Corbett

Apple Class teachers



Mrs Karadia

SEND Coordinator,
Medical Need Lead



How does Reception work at HGPS?

- Two form entry - 2 classes of 30
- Large open-plan unit with access to outdoor area, canopy, adventure playground and mud kitchen.
- Settling in period during the first week— building relationships, likes/dislikes, setting rules and routines, provisional classes.
- Statutory Baseline Assessment carried out within the first 6 weeks



What do we learn in Reception?

- Our curriculum is based on the 7 areas of learning.
- Children's interests
- Topics: All about me, Superheroes,

Once Upon a Time..., Lets Grow!, Celebrations, We are Explorers!

- Class provision linked to areas of learning
- Visitors and trip





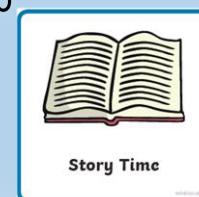
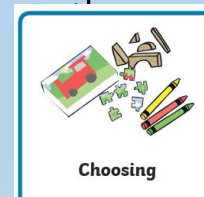
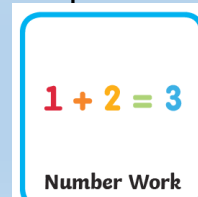
A typical day in Reception

8.45 am	Gates open - Children settle into environment and access learning that is aimed to consolidate from previous week/targeted provision groups
9.05 am – 11.45 am	Morning session includes snack time
11.45 am – 12.40 pm	Lunch
12.40 pm – 2.45pm	Afternoon session
3 pm -3.15 pm	Story and prep for home

Named plastic drink bottle
Fruit & milk provided



We use visual timetables to show the children what they will be learning each day



- As well as the short carpet sessions - we then have focus group activities throughout the week. We also have weekly PE and Forest Time sessions. Balanceability in the Spring term, ICT in Summer. Half termly newsletters will keep you updated.



School Dinners

- All children receive a free hot dinner or sandwich pack.
- Order via School Grid app
- Allergies and dietary requirements

Teaching staff accompany the children to dinner for the first few weeks to help them settle.





School Uniform Shopping List



- Navy jumper or cardigan, blue polo shirt, black or grey trousers, navy/black/grey skirt/trousers
- Shoes need to be sensible, no open toed shoes or crocs in hot weather
- PE kit- black t-shirt, black shorts and pumps (children come into school in their kit on PE day)
- Forest time-children to come in wearing navy, black or dark grey joggers. Wellington boots need to be sent into school on forest time days. (No hoodies for FT or PE please)
- Book bag- book sent home during first full week (**NO RUCKSACKS**)
- Please ensure you name **EVERYTHING** with clear name labels or permanent marker.
- Please come and see us if you are having trouble affording any item of uniform.

List in pack or on website

School uniform does not need to have the Hurst Green logo on.



Health & Wellbeing



- School nurse
- Routine health checks in school carried out during Reception year. Permission is given through an opt out system, i.e. a letter will come home and permission will be deemed to have been given unless you return the slip.
- Head Lice- Like any other school we do get outbreaks so please check your child's hair regularly. There is guidance on NHS website on what to do.
- Children with sickness or diarrhoea should be clear of symptoms for 48 hours before returning to school
- Please ensure that letters/reports regarding children's health and wellbeing are passed onto Mrs Karadia. For example - speech and language reports, physiotherapist reports, diabetic needs or any other medical consultant. Copies can be sent to send@hurst-green.dudley.sch.uk or given to the school office.



Independence

- Children should be able to go to the toilet by themselves.
- Unless a child has a recognised condition that prevents or slows down the process of toilet training, we expect all children to be toilet trained.
- Spare clothes if your child is prone to accidents.
- Self help skills – jumpers, cardigans, shoes, hand washing and using cutlery.
- Water bottles – clearly named



Early Reading and Phonics



<https://www.hurstgreen-dudley.co.uk/page/detail/early-reading-and-phonics-1>



Attendance

- No term time holiday will be authorised
- You may be fined if you take your child away in term time
- Phone school first thing if your child is ill

Attendance Percentage	Days missed over a school year
100%	0 days
95%	10 days
90%	20 days
85%	30 days
80%	40 days



Pupil Premium

- See information pack
- Please apply if you are entitled to pupil premium
- School receive funds to further support children
- Free trips and school jumper





Safeguarding



- Legal duty to keep your children safe whilst at school. This includes ensuring that all adults who work with your children have a DBS check
- Restricted collection list
- Any safeguarding concerns should be reported to Mrs Webb (DSL), Mr South, Mr Lander or Mrs Karadia (Deputy DSLs)



Concerns

- Please speak to us about any concerns you have, no matter how small. Worries can usually be sorted out, and if you are worried about something, the chances are someone else is, or has been in the past.
- Please speak to a member of EYFS staff in the first instance.



Starting School in September



- Garden Story Sessions – 18th, 19th, 25th, & 26th June @ 2.40-3pm
- You are invited to join your child for a 'stay and play' session on **Monday 9th September**. 8.50am-9.50am (siblings) or 10am – 11am
- **Tuesday 10th** - 8.45-8.55am and finish at 11am
- **Wednesday 11th September** – 8.45am-8.55am and finish at 12 noon
- **Thursday 12th September** - 8.45am-8.55am until 12.45pm including lunch
- **Friday 13th September** - 8.45am-8.55am until 3.05pm Full Day
- They will all attend full time from **Monday 16th September** (8.45am until 3.15pm).



Apple Class entrance



Girls



Apricot Class
entrance Boys

*Information packs incl 'All about me' to be returned by 14th June. Reading sessions will be held from Tuesday 10th – Email to follow



Let's have a look at our learning in action...