

# Welcome to Birklands Primary School



Early Years Foundation  
Stage

# EYFS Teachers



Miss Stretton



Miss Tanner

# When is my child starting...

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| My child is starting in Reception.   | Starts full-time from Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September.            |
| My child was in Nursery before the Summer holidays and is remain in Nursery... | Return to their usual hours from Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September. |
| My child is starting in Nursery.   | Begin a transition week starting Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> September. |



# What to expect from the first few weeks...

To support consistency, any children already attending Birklands will remain in their current Registration Group.

We are looking forward to welcoming our Nursery and Reception children who are new to the school. For the first two weeks, children will be split randomly into two groups for registration purposes. After the first two weeks and getting to know the children, the EYFS staff will discuss groupings and place your child into Robin or Puffin Group. Friendships will be considered but it is important to remember that the children spend lots of time together, across both classrooms, throughout the school day.

# Key times throughout the day

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| 8:35am          | The front gates open and children are welcome to help themselves to a bagel before the start of the school day. Children will be invited into the classroom between 8:35am – 8:45am. |
|                 | Start of the morning session for Nursery age children.   |
| 11:40am         | End of the morning session for Nursery age children – collection from the front-gate.  |
| 11:40am-12:40pm | Lunch  |
| 3:10pm          | End of the school day  |

# Tapestry

We use an online learning journey called 'Tapestry' to share our learning experiences in school. You will need to fill out a consent form (in the new starter pack) so that your child can be added to Tapestry and photos can be shared.

Remember to login to Tapestry regularly to see what your child has been doing at school. Please put your own observations on too; it would be amazing to see all the brilliant learning and exciting things that your child does whilst at home!!

More information can be found on  
the school website.



# Whole School Transition Days – Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July

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# *1:1 meetings with new parents.*

'Starting at Birklands' 1:1 meetings (10 minutes each)

Afternoon of Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July.

Please fill out the 'Starting School Questionnaire' and bring to the 1:1 meeting.

Any new Nursery parents for September should have already had a time visit already arranged via email with Miss Stretton.

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## 1:1 Meetings with EYFS Staff *(Only for new Reception starters to Birklands)*

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July (12:40pm – 3:00pm)

## Start of the School Year (September)

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September.

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# What you will go away with now...

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| Birklands Welcome Pack<br>(Contact information,<br>permission forms etc.) | <i>To be returned on the transition day to EYFS Staff.</i>                       |
| 'Transition document with<br>photos' link.                                | <i>On the school website. Information → New starters → Scroll to the bottom.</i> |
| 'Starting School' questionnaire<br>(in pack)                              | <i>To be returned at the 1:1 meeting.</i>  |
| Time for the 1:1 meeting ( <i>new Reception starters to Birklands</i> )   | <i>To be organised after this.</i>   |



We look forward to September and welcoming all children into school 😊

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask following the meeting.

Any further queries, please email Miss  
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