



Welcome to the Reception Induction Meeting

Drayton Green Primary School



The purpose of the meeting

- ▶ Meet with the school team.
- ▶ To help you understand the curriculum that your child will be covering in Reception Class.
- ▶ To outline the procedures for induction into our school including the routines.
- ▶ To identify the keyways in which you can help your child at home and in school.
- ▶ Questions



Mr Stevanovic – Executive Teacher

Miss Richter – Interim Head of School

Mrs. Stack – Interim Assistant Headteacher

Mrs. Arran - SENCO

Miss Aladag – EYFS Leader

Mrs. Siddiqui – Admissions & Attendance Administrator



Ethos and Values

Welcome to Drayton Green Primary School!

We are a recently federated school, working with St John's Primary School.

Our dedicated Staff, Governing Body and Local Community, strive to enable all members of Drayton Green School to grow personally, academically and socially.



Ethos and Values

Our aim is to develop the whole person in an environment that is safe, calm and challenging. We operate as a school family, bound by the values of care, respect, trust, responsibility and achievement.

Every child is special and unique; each child really does matter: we have the highest expectations for all children and help each of them reach their full potential. We achieve this by delivering a broad and rich curriculum that provides children with opportunities to explore, enquire and reflect.

We are deeply committed to our motto and strive to achieve it daily for everyone through all we do:

Excellence, Empowerment & Enjoyment



Attendance and punctuality

Attendance is very important in Reception - aiming for 99% minimum!

Good attendance is important because:

- Improving attendance is in everyone's interests and it's everyone's business.
- Regular attendance is an indicator of safe, healthy, and successful children.
- The pupils with the highest attainment at the end of key stage 2 and key stage 4 have higher rates of attendance over the key stage compared to those with the lowest attainment (DfE, 2024).
- Regular attenders make better progress, both socially and academically and find school routines, schoolwork, and friendships easier to cope with. Regular attenders find learning more satisfying.
- Regular attendance encourages responsible learning habits and prepares children for higher education and for their working life.
- For the most vulnerable pupils, regular attendance is also an important protective factor and the best opportunity for needs to be identified and support provided. Research has shown associations between regular absence from school and a number of extra familial harms, including crime.



Attendance and punctuality

School gates open at 8.35 am. Learning begins at 8.45 am!

If your child is not in class at 8.45am they are late!

Home time is at 3.15 pm

As a parent you can help us by:

- Ensuring your child attends school on each day the school is open for the pupils unless there is an 'authorisable' reason to be absent. Only the school can authorise an absence.
- Following the school procedures for reporting absences.
- Arranging (where possible) all non-emergency medical and dental appointments out of school hours or during school holidays.
- Do not plan any holidays during term time. ☒ Keeping the school updated by telephone, email, or letter of any changes of circumstances.
- Making sure we always have your current contact numbers; this includes all telephone numbers, email addresses and emergency contact details.



Early Years Foundation Stage

The Foundation Stage begins in Nursery and continues through Reception.

We help the children to learn through a balance of child-initiated play activities and adult led learning.

Activities are fun and practical. In reception, we provide a balance between formal, direct teaching and an engaging, educational provision.



Areas of Learning in Early Years

Prime Areas:

Communication and Language

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Physical Development

Specific Areas:

Literacy

Mathematics

Understanding of the world

Expressive Art and Design



Communication and language Development





Personal, Social and Emotional Development





Physical Development





Mathematical Development

We learn how to calculate, and problem solve.



Understanding of the World

We learn and explore topics such as All About Me, Journeys, Space, Growing & Changing, Kings & Queens and Stories from the Past.



Expressive Art and Design

We learn, draw and paint in the style of a range of artists such as Joan Miro, Pissarro, Jackson Pollock and Van Gogh.



A typical day in Reception

Morning

- 8.45 Learning begins!
- 8.45- 9.00 Morning greeting, soft start activity, registration & class timetable
- 9.00-9.30 RWI Phonics
- 9.30-10.30 Outdoor play, snack time and free flow .
- 10.30-10.40 Tidy up time
- 10.40-11.00 whole class Literacy adult led teaching
- 11.00-11.15 Get ready for lunch-toilet, wash hands, coats and packed lunches
- 11.30-12.30 Lunchtime & lunchtime play outdoors

Afternoon

- 12.30-13.00 Afternoon registration, exercise, and tricky words reading
- 13.00-14.30 whole class Maths adult led teaching and free flow
- 14.30-14.40 Tidy up time
- 14.40- 15.00 Understanding of the World/Personal, Social and Emotional Development/ Expressive Art and Design/PSHE adult led teaching
- 15.00-15.15 Get ready for home time/ Storytime/adult led nursery rhymes and songs.



Snack and lunchtime in Reception



- Drayton Green is part of the Healthy Schools scheme. Every child in EYFS receives a piece of fruit or a vegetable every day. You do not need to provide a snack for your child as a snack is provided and accessible for all children in EYFS.
- Lunchtime in Reception is 11.30 – 12.30pm.
- **FREE SCHOOL MEALS FOR ALL-** Please remember that any child in school from Reception to Year Six is entitled to a free school meal. We hope all our families take advantage of this government initiative. School meals are freshly cooked on site each day by our catering company, ISS:
 - Termly menus are posted on the school's website
 - Vegan, vegetarian, fish and meat options including halal
- Please inform the school office if your child has any dietary requirements or allergies. These can be catered for!
- You can provide a packed lunch option for your child. **We are a NUT FREE** school and nuts should not be given in packed lunches or snacks. We have several children with a severe allergy to nuts, nut dust including direct contact with nuts to the skin.
- We do not allow children to bring nuts or nut products into school at any time. This includes peanut butter and Nutella spread in sandwiches, pesto pasta etc.
- We do not allow the children to share their lunch with friends.





How to help your child get ready to start school



The good news is there's a lot you can do to help your child prepare for school on both an emotional and practical level. The more you can practice these things and openly discuss starting school in a happy and excited way – the better chance your child will have of adapting to school life more easily

[Ealing Families Directory | How to help your child get ready to start school](#)



What can I do to get my child ready for Reception?

- ▶ **Toilet train your child. Children need to be toilet trained** and use the toilet, wipe themselves and wash their hands independently
- ▶ Have a good night sleep (12 hours a day)
- ▶ Eat breakfast every morning
- ▶ Practise getting dressed and undressed, putting on coats and shoes

Start by chatting to your child about school. In this way you can help your child look forward to:

- Making new friends
- Play time
- Fun activities in the classroom
- Learning new things
- PE and doing sports

You can also:

- Shop together for the uniform
- Have fun trying it all on
- Allow your child to pick a pack lunch box or bag and water bottle
- If the school offers a visit or walk-around – go with your child
- Walk past the school regularly with your child
- Look at the school website with your child and look at photographs of activities and events
- Read books with your child about starting school, start with looking at this booklet together.



What can I do to get my child ready for Reception?

- ▶ Singing lots of nursery rhymes and songs
- ▶ Reading stories and talking about them. Share and discuss books, thinking about what has happened and what may happen next (your home language is important)
- ▶ Lots of talking; promoting communication by discussing what you do over the summer etc.
- ▶ Play games together to ensure turn taking, good waiting and sharing.
- ▶ Name writing
- ▶ Lots of counting, both reciting and counting objects accurately. Learning to recognise numbers (1-10/10-20)
- ▶ Allow your child to hold the scissors correctly to cut out and stick pictures from magazines;
- ▶ Lots of drawing, colouring, playdough and Lego to help build up hand strength.
- ▶ Cook/bake together;
- ▶ **As a healthy school, we encourage children at all ages to walk, scoot or cycle to school.** There are numerous health benefits of walking, and it is vital for their physical development. We have a bike shelter near the Reception playground for scooters/bikes.



What will my child need for Reception?

Your child will need:

- ▶ To wear school uniform
- ▶ A change of clothes, including shoes, in a PE bag
- ▶ A book bag
- ▶ A water bottle
- ▶ Jewelry – stud earrings only!

Please label all clothing with names



Drayton Green Uniform



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Drayton Green Uniform

The children need to wear;

- a green jumper or cardigan with the school logo plain white polo shirt – with or without the school logo
- black or grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress black school shoes or plain black trainers (no logos)
- A plain black or green hijab
- No make-up or false nails and no jewellery except small stud earrings
- Please remember to wear a coat when the weather is cold or wet!

Please label all clothing with names



Induction and starting Reception

- ▶ Reception Booklet for parents and carers.
- ▶ Staggered start dates. You will be sent your child's start date and timings by the school admin team soon.
- ▶ Reception children stay and play sessions for families on Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd July from 3.40-4pm (15 families each day).
- ▶ Deadline for families to return all paperwork is Monday 7th July 2025.



Reception parents and carers on-line toilet training workshop at 9.15 am and on-line school readiness workshop at 10.30 by Rochelle Cummings School Readiness Practitioner as well as an on-line Oral Health workshop with Adele Francois Ealing Oral Health Promotion Team on Thursday 26th June 2025.

Healthy Eating and Fussy Eating

- Causes of fussy eating
- Packed lunch ideas
- Mealtimes
- Sugar intake

Communication and Behaviour

- Activities to support communication
- Managing challenging behaviour
- Where to seek help when concerned with communication

Parent Workshops

Toileting

- Signs of readiness
- How to get started
- Constipation, bedwetting, urine withholding
- Resources

Self help and care skills

- Dressing and undressing
- Coat trick
- Fine motor skills
- Oral hygiene



Oral Health Workshop for parents and carers

You are invited to join our free online workshop!

It's essential to look after our teeth. This informal session will give you information and knowledge on how to make healthier choices.



- Brushing tips and techniques
- How to protect our teeth from sugary snacks
- Tooth-friendly foods and drinks
- Advice on visiting the dentist
- And more!



Staggered entry for September 2025:

Most Reception children will start school on a staggered basis. This will allow staff to get to know each child personally and help your child to settle into their new class.

There will be **2 days of staggered induction for your child, either in the morning or afternoon.**

2nd September - (8:45 am – 12:00 pm) Go home for lunch

3rd September - (8:45 am – 13:00 pm) Stay for lunch

4th September - (8:45 am – 15:15 pm) Staggered for some children.

5th September - (8:45 am – 15:15 pm) All day

If you work full time and your child is used to full-time nursery provision, we can accommodate your child in the afternoons on the 2nd and 3rd of September.



Breakfast and After-School Clubs

We are extremely lucky at Drayton Green Primary School as we have many additional activities and services to support you and your child/ren.



Do you need childcare?

Where your child will feel safe, secure, have fun and learn. Play with their friends or make new friends. At Clubs for Kids we offer morning and afternoon provisions for children aged between 3-11 years. We offer a variety of activities and children will be provided with a healthy balanced breakfast during the morning session (7.45am – 8.45am) and a snack during the afternoon session (3.15pm – 6pm). We are open Mon – Fri, term time only. If you would like to book your child into either of these clubs or for further information, please contact Miss Antoniou on: Tel: 07939 915 939 or email:

management@clubs4kids.co.uk

- ▶ We offer after school clubs for children and parenting workshops to support both you and your child/ren. Check the school's weekly newsletter for all workshop topics, dates and times.



Questions?

Thank you for your time.

We look forward to seeing you in
September!