

Induction Evening FAQ's

1) How do the catering team ensure children with allergies are protected but also get the same hot food?

Please inform the office of any allergies, they can then provide you with access to an allergy menu to order from via the app, this will ensure all children are being catered for and have the appropriate meal.

2) Where can I buy waterproofs from?

Aldi/Lidl middle aisle offers are great for waterproofs but are seasonal. Alternatively, vinted or other pre-loved online sites may avoid spending too much. Waterproofs will become very mucky and do not need to look clean, just be fit for purpose. Wearing separate jacket and trousers are usually better than a one-piece. Children can find it challenging to put one-pieces on independently so if your child has one of these, please practise getting in and out of them over the summer.

3) Is there a uniform list?

Information on uniform can be found on our school website along with where to purchase uniform. Please follow the link: [Uniform - Woodland Grange Primary School](#)

4) Do children need a book bag?

Yes, all children require a book bag and a water bottle. It would be great if these were brought in from the very first day to allow children to get into the routine of putting them away when they first enter.

5) If forest school is once a year, when is it?

We will update you with plenty of notice once we have finalised the dates for our forest school sessions.

6) What can we expect from a home visit?

Two members of staff will come to your home, we will ask some questions and fill out some paper work with you. We will also have a little play with your child so that they have the opportunity to see us in their safe space. This is for external children only as pre-school children have been offered a home visit when they joined pre-school.

6) How can we book a story session please?

Please ring the office to arrange these, this is for external children only, not pre-school children as staff will be attending pre school to do additional story sessions.

7) When do we find out which teacher our child has?

You will find out what teacher your child has during the teddy bears picnic, this is also when you will be informed of your scheduled home visit.

8) Do we need to apply for the free school meals or is it automatic?

All children receive a hot lunch in Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1. You do not need to apply for this.

However, some children may be eligible for Free School Meals throughout the duration of their stay at primary school and you should apply for pupil premium support. If you are able to do this, then we can provide additional support for your child.

Children will qualify for FSM (Free School Meals) and accordingly pupil premium – if you receive any of the following benefits:

- Income support
- Income-based jobseekers' allowance

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- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of pension credit
- Child tax credit, provided that you are not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of £16,190 or less
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you have stopped qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after the 1st April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

9) Could you please let me know if there is any after-school care or any extra-curricular activities available for the Reception Class?

Our extra-curricular clubs start from Year 1 at Woodland Grange; therefore, the Foundation stage children are unable to attend these. We do have pre and after care available for all ages. If this is something you would be interested in, please speak to the school office as spaces for these can fill up quickly. You will need to collect a form which will need to be completed and returned before the end of term. Pre and after care will commence once the children are full time only (7th September) and is not available during the part time starts.

10) What are the arrangements for the morning break? Will the children be given milk and a snack or fruit?

We do not have a set break-time in Foundation stage, children will be provided with a morning fruit snack. We do not serve milk, children are encouraged to bring in water bottles to drink out of throughout the day, these can be refilled at school if needed.