



Admissions September 2020

In normal circumstances we would invite prospective parents to visit us in the Autumn Term on a normal school day.

We are very proud of our school and the atmosphere within it and we would have liked to share this with you.

However, due to COVID-19 restrictions we are unable to do this, so we have put together a selection of information for you which may help you with your decision.

If, after looking at this you have more specific questions, then please just email sue.hedges@taw.org.uk who will help you with your query.

Welcome to Reception

The following slides will give you a little more information about the curriculum and routines of the Reception Class in our lovely Moorfield Family.

We are sorry that you can't have a proper look around!



Aims

- Our aim in Reception is to help your child to develop the following skills so that they can be good learners now and in the future:
- Finding and exploring;
- Using what they know in their play;
- Being willing to have a go;
- Being involved and concentrating;
- Keeping on trying;
- Achieving what they set out to do;
- Having their own ideas;
- Using what they already know to learn new things;
- Choosing ways to do things and finding new ways



But most of all our aim for all of our children is to be Confident, Independent, Happy and Excited!



The Curriculum in Reception covers 7 areas of learning

- Communication and Language
- Physical Development
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding of the World
- Expressive Arts and Design

TOPICS

Each half term we follow a theme which we use as a basis for all of our work , for example.....



- People Who Help Us
 - Space
 - The Farm
- Traditional Tales
- Ourselves



Learning Areas

In Reception all areas of learning take place in both our indoor and outdoor areas, facilitated by the teacher and teaching assistants.

There is a “free flow” between the two areas during lessons so that children can move happily between activities in both.



PHONICS

Every day your child will take part in a phonics lesson with the teacher

Phonics is..

- Learning the letter sounds and then the phonemes made up of 2 or 3 letters
- Learning to blend sounds together to read
- Learning to segment sounds in words to spell

When we are able we run parent sessions to help with phonics and reading practice at home

Learning to Read

We want children to develop a love of reading and books!

Children starting in Reception will be given a reading pack with reading books and letter sound flashcards for you to practice with them at home. When your child knows the letter sounds, they will begin to bring word flashcards home.

Children also have a home school reading diary so you can let us know when your child has read at home

Children read to an adult one

to one in school and we also share books in small groups (guided reading)



Challenge Time

Reception children love this session! Resources are put out and children are asked to make something linked to our theme of the week, for example

“ Can you make something to help Jack get up the beanstalk?”

This helps children to develop the skills of Planning – Making – Problem Solving – Reviewing how things went



Treetop Day

- One day a week– whatever the weather – children go outside in the woods to learn.





The day is very busy!

- Register
- Assembly
- Carpet time – maths or literacy focus
- Activities
- Morning break
- Phonics
- Activities – maths or literacy focus
- Lunch
- Carpet time
- Activities
- Afternoon break
- Story time and home

Communication is very important

It is very important to us that we communicate well with our families.

COVID-19 has made this more difficult but we hope to return to more normal ways of working by September 2021

- Our normal ways of communication are:
- Talk to staff at the door/gate
- Telephone the school
- Make an appointment to visit your child's teacher
- Newsletters and general correspondence is via email
- Have a look at the website and blogs www.moorfieldprimaryschool.co.uk
- Follow the school's Twitter account @Moorfieldprim
- Reading diaries and curriculum newsletters
- CHAT Tuesday – you can pop into the Reception classroom after school anytime until 4pm to look at children's work and have a chat
- Parents' Evenings once a term

Wider School Information

- At Moorfield Primary School we like to give the children lots of opportunities for learning outside of the classroom.
- Sport is very important. We are part of the Telford and Wrekin Sports Partnership and children regularly take part in both team and individual events.



Music

We have enhanced our music offer in school and can offer music lessons in conjunction with Music Heroes

Currently children can learn from a selection of woodwind instruments, guitar and keyboard

We have an active choir that take part in local events such as the Big Sing, Christmas Light Switch on, Carnival and also bigger events such as Young Voices in Birmingham



Residential Trips

Residential Trips are an important part of our Curriculum.

Children have the opportunity to go on a residential trip in every year group from Year 2 up until Year 6

These trips encourage our children to become more independent and help staff to form better relationships with their class. Trips are always well attended and most of the children go on all of the trips.

The current trips on offer are:

- Year 2 – Edgmond Hall Outdoor Learning Centre– 2 night stay
- Year 3 – Kingswood Activity Centre – 2 night stay
- Year 4 – Arthog Outdoor Education Centre – 4 night stay
- Year 5 – York – 2 night stay
- Year 5 – France – 5 night stay

We do lots of activities with the children and they always have a full itinerary of experiences. We have included some photographs of some of the trips on the next slide.



Other regular events

Every year we organise or take part in lots of events:

These include:

World Book Day

Red Nose Day

Children in Need

Grandparent's Tea Party

Newport Carnival

The Big Sing

Class Assemblies

Class Lunches

Photography Workshops

To name a few!



Before and After School Care

We have a very successful wraparound care facility which is usually very flexible but has been restricted this year due to COVID-19. Once again, we hope that this has returned to normal by September 2021, so we have given information about how we would normally arrange this, rather than our current restricted offer.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club runs from 7.30am to 8.15am if you want your child to have breakfast with us. If you wish to use Breakfast Club as a drop off facility then you may drop off between 8.15am and 8.30am but no breakfast will be served. There is no car parking on the school site at peak times, so this has proved to be a useful facility and no booking is required.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE

We have a variety of After School activity clubs which run from 3.15pm to 4.30pm. They change every half term but usually include clubs such as Cross Country, Dodgeball, Minecraft, Arts and Crafts, Forest School, Drama and Choir.

MORE MOORFIELD

More Moorfield is run in the demountable classroom at the side of our school and is in two sessions:

3.15pm to 4.30pm and 4.30pm to 5.30pm

If your child takes part in an activity club until 4.30pm then we can arrange for him/her to then go to More Moorfield for the second session so that they can stay in school until 5.30pm.

Bookings are advised, but are also very flexible and you can book childcare on the day if you are running late or have an important coffee date!

For more information about pricing of our childcare, please email sue.hedges@taw.org.uk who will give you the information you need.

School Meals

We have our own kitchen on site and meals are provided by Telford and Wrekin Catering Service.

We have an on-site team who love to learn about the children and their dietary needs.

If you do join us in September 2021 and you need to talk to the cook, we can arrange this for you.

Prospectus

- We hope that this slideshow has given you lots of information about our school .
- There is more information contained on the website in the form of our prospectus which you will find on the “Key Information” Tab.
- Please take a look around the website, our blogs and our Twitter account @MoorfieldPrim to learn a bit more about us, our ways of working, our children and our staff.

What Next?

We do appreciate that there may be questions about our school that remain unanswered at the moment.

We also know that the decisions about choosing schools are very important to you and we are here to help.

If you would like more information about our school, please email our School Business Manager sue.hedges@taw.org.uk and she will be happy to direct your query to the right person.

We are genuinely sorry that we have not been able to meet you to show you around our school, but we hope to meet some of you very soon!