

# Welcome to Birklands Primary School



Early Years Foundation  
Stage

# EYFS Teachers



Miss Stretton



Miss Tanner

# *When is my child starting...*

**My child is currently in Birklands Nursery and will still be Nursery age in September...**

- Starts school on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September and continues with their normal hours (could be mornings/some full-days/full-time). If you are wanting to increase hours, please let Miss Stretton know.

**My child is currently in Birklands Nursery and will be Reception age in September...**

- Starts school full-time on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

**My child is currently in at an outside provider and will start in Reception in September...**

- Starts school full-time on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

**My child starts in at Birklands as a Nursery child in September (should have already been contacted by Miss Stretton)**

- Follows a settling in process that starts week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> September.

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

For the two weeks, children will be split into two groups for registration purposes, consisting of a mix of Nursery and Reception age children. They will spend time with all of their peers in the unit and all members of staff.

After the first two weeks and getting to know the children, the Reception 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

8:35am	<p>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.</p> <p>Start of the morning session for Nursery age children.</p>
11:50am	<p>End of the morning session for Nursery age children – collection from same door as mentioned above.</p>
11:55am-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 – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July

## Transition Mornings

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July (9:00am – 11:45am) (Birklands Nursery children arrive normal time)

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July (9:00am – 1:00pm – Children stay for lunch) (Birklands Nursery children arrive normal time)

‘Starting at Birklands’ 1:1 meetings (10 minutes each)

Afternoon of Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July, Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July

Please fill out the ‘Starting School Questionnaire’ and bring to the 1:1 meetings or hand back to Miss Kennerley.

Access the school website (Information → New Starters → Scroll to the bottom of the page) to find a transition document to familiarise your child with the school.



# Whole School Transition – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July

**My child is currently in Birklands Nursery and will still be Nursery age in September...**

- Attends their normal hours, e.g. mornings/all day, on these two days.

**My child is currently in Birklands Nursery and will be Reception age in September...**

- Attends their normal hours e.g. morning/all day on both days. If only attends morning, **please collect at 1:00pm on Tuesday** so they can stop for lunch on this day.

**My child is currently in at an outside provider and will start in Reception in September...**

- MONDAY** - Attend the morning session (9:00am-11:45am). Please come to the Main Reception and you will be directed towards the EYFS Unit; you will also collect your child from here at 11:45am. -
- TUESDAY** - Any children new to Birklands will attend the morning session and stay for lunch (9:00am-1:00pm). Please come to the Main Reception and you will be directed towards the EYFS Unit; you will also collect your child from here at 1:00pm.

**My child starts in at Birklands as a Nursery child in September (should have already been contacted by Miss Stretton)**

- Follows a settling in process that starts week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> September. **Does not attend whole school transition in July.**

# *1:1 meetings with new parents.*

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

Afternoon of Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July, Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

Please fill out the 'Starting School Questionnaire' and bring to the 1:1 meetings or hand back to Miss Kennerley.

Any new Nursery parents for September should have already had a time arranged last week.

# Key Dates

<b>Transition Dates</b> (Current Nursery and all of Reception)	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July (9:00am – 11:45am) Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July (9:00am – 1:00pm) <i>Any Nursery AM children need to stay for lunch on this day.</i>
1:1 Meetings with EYFS Staff ( <i>Only for new Reception starters to Birklands</i> )	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July (1:00pm – 3:00pm) Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July (1:00pm – 3:00pm)
Start of the School Year (September)	<b><i>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.</i></b> Reception start full-time. Existing Nursery children continue with their hours – let Miss Stretton know if you are wanting to increase.  <b><i>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September:</i></b> New Nursery children start school following transition programme.

# What you will go away with now...

Birklands Welcome Pack (Contact information, permission forms etc.)	<i>To be returned on the transition day to EYFS Staff.</i>
'Transition document with photos' link.	<i>On the school website. Information → New starters → Scroll to the bottom.</i>
'Starting School' questionnaire (in pack)	<i>To be returned to Miss Kennerley or 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.