

Welcome to High Street

NEW STARTER INFORMATION EVENING 2026

School Uniform

- Blue School jumper/ cardigan
- School Tie (optional for Foundation Stage)
- White Polo T-shirt/shirt/blouse
- Black/Grey Trousers/skirt
- Black sensible school shoes (not black trainers please)
- **Please ensure every item has your child's name in.**
- For the safety of the children, please do not send them in any jewellery
- Please tie back long hair
- All uniform can be ordered online
- Examples can be viewed on the school website.

PE and Spare Clothing

- Our school PE kit consists of:
- PE t-shirt in house colour (same colour as a sibling if already in school). House colours teams will be shared when class lists are finalised.
- Black shorts
- Black pumps/trainers
- Tracksuit (optional for the winter months)
- Please label each item of PE Kit clearly with your child's name.
- Please put a spare pair of underwear and socks in your child's bag in case of emergencies!

Snacks

- We are an accredited Healthy School, and we encourage all the children to enjoy a healthy lifestyle.
- We have two snack points in our day.
- Children will receive a piece of free fruit every day (e.g. apple, banana, orange, pear) and a carton of milk.
- Please send your child each day with a water bottle filled with fresh water. Please clearly name your child's water bottle.
- You may provide your child with an additional snack but please ensure that it is a healthy snack, for example, fruit, breadsticks, cheese. **No nuts or nut-based products please, no chocolate, sweets or crisps.**

Lunch and Free School Meals

- Children in the EYFS are entitled to a free school meal everyday (hot meal and a pudding).
- You will receive a login for Arbor which will allow you to choose your child's lunch with them each for each day.
- If your child is to have a packed lunch, please ensure that you clearly label their lunch box with their name. **No sweets, nuts or fizzy drinks please.**

Medical Information

- Please let us know about any medical problems e.g. asthma, allergies etc. - you should have received a form to provide this information.
- If your child is unwell, please keep him/her at home until they are fully recovered.
- If your child has sickness or diarrhea, please keep them off school for 48 hours as it is easily spread to other children and the staff.
- Please phone the school as soon as possible if your child is absent - it is our school policy to contact you if your child is absent and no call has been made.

The School Day

- Children will enter school independently and be supported to put away their belongings ready for registration.
- Reception follow a play-based curriculum
- Throughout the day children will take part in large group sessions/ carpet times, group times and work on a one to one basis.
- Children's play will be facilitated by the adults in Reception to support their learning.
- Children have 1 hour and 15 minutes for their lunch which begins at 11:30am.
- Children are supported at lunch time by Reception staff and familiar adults.

Further Information Meetings

- Welcome Meeting in September
- Help Your Child at Home with Reading and Writing – this will explain our phonics scheme to enable you to fully support your child at home

Communication

- Class Dojo – weekly updates, school updates, important notices, all school events
- Tapestry
- School Website
- Curriculum Slice
- Open door policy



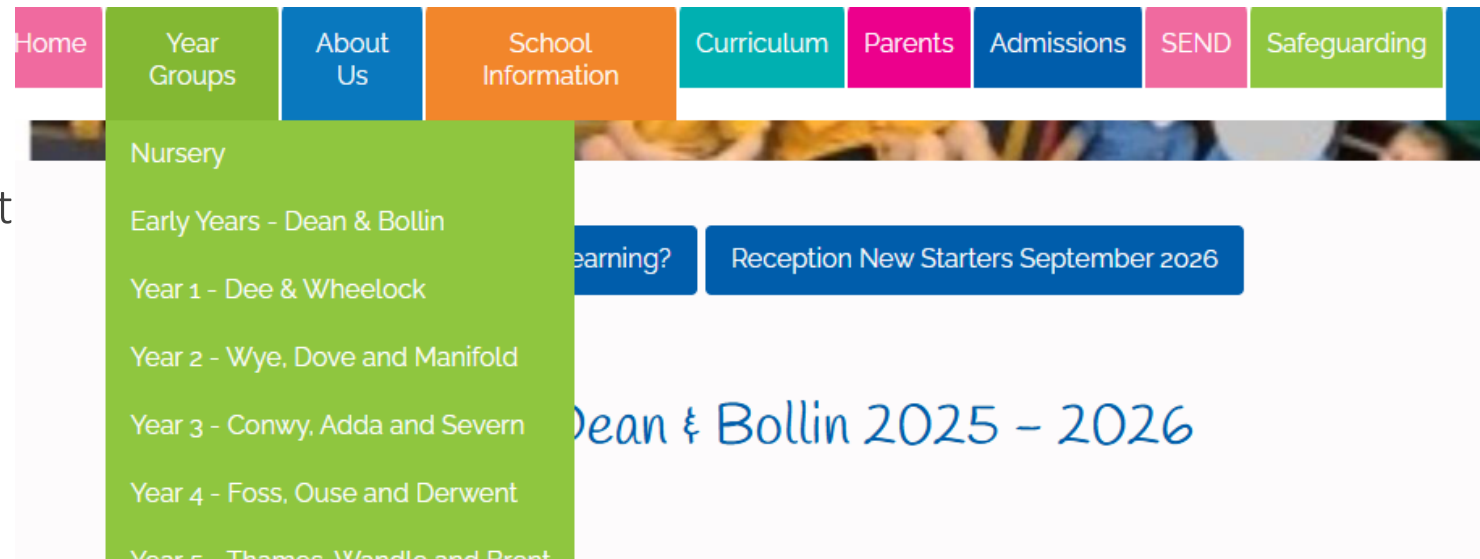
Classes

- We will email you a letter to inform you which class your child will be in and what house team.
- We will use information that you have provided to sort the classes in addition to our knowledge of the children if they currently attend our nursery.
- The children have free flow across the whole indoor & outdoor environment, so even if they do not sit with their friend or relative during registration, they will have lots of opportunities to mix with them during the school day.

Where to find information?

The following documents can be downloaded from our Early Years Page on the school website under the 'New Starters 2026' tab:

- Early Years Pupil Premium information
- Holiday Dates
- Cheshire West School Readiness Leaflet
- School Meals information
- Before and After School Club
- Importance of reading at home
- School uniform



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

- Show your child where their name can be found in all of their belongings
- Encourage them to be independent when going to the toilet
- Encourage them to dress and undress independently
- Practise independently putting on a coat and doing up the zip
- Play games with your child and don't always let them win
- Read stories and sing nursery rhymes daily



I will learn to read
but first I need to...

Rhyme

I need to recognise the sounds that letters make before I can read



Look at books

I need to be interested in words and books to read



Track

I need to follow objects with my eyes to read



Talk

I need an extensive vocabulary to understand what I read



Do puzzles

I need to differentiate size, shapes, lines and directions to read



Build

I need to use my fingers and hands independently to hold books and turn pages



... and I need someone to read to me every day!



HERE'S THE IMPACT OF **READING 20 MINUTES PER DAY!**

A student who reads

20:00

minutes per day

A student who reads

5:00

minutes per day

A student who reads

1:00

minute per day

will be exposed to
1.8 MILLION
words per year
and scores in
90th PERCENTILE
on standardized tests

will be exposed to
282,000
words per year
and scores in
50th PERCENTILE
on standardized tests

will be exposed to
8,000
words per year
and scores in
10th PERCENTILE
on standardized tests

Reading to children six to seven days a week puts them almost a year ahead of those who are not being read to.



Kind Requests

- Please label all of your child's belongings (book bag, coat, PE kit, uniform) and show them where to find their name.
- Keep your contact details up to date with the school office.
- Read daily wherever possible with your child and engage with the school phonics scheme RWI.

Finally...

- If you have particular worries and wish to specifically discuss your child's needs, we are here to help and support you.
- We can arrange a meeting to discuss any particular worries you may have, or you can contact us via email reception@highstreet.cheshire.sch.uk
- If you have any worries or concerns at any time, please don't hesitate to come in and see us and we will do our best to help you.
- Term starts on Wednesday 2nd September 8:45am – 3:15pm

We look forward to working with you and your child in September.

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