

Welcome to Reception

We are looking forward to the new school year and to sharing the start of your child's school journey with them. In preparation for September, please find some important information below, which will help prepare you and your child for Reception.

2026-27 Reception Team



Mrs Anderson



Mrs Cheshire



Mrs Smith



Miss Wood



Mrs Warrington



Mrs Lee

Key Information

Our curriculum will be inspired by our Autumn Bookshelf that is filled with exciting, high-quality texts that enable us to centre our curriculum around six different character traits (Bravery, Citizenship, Curiosity, Gratitude, Integrity and Kindness).

School Day

- The school day begins at 8.45am and ends at 3.15pm – please aim to have your child ready to enter the school building at 8.45am promptly as we will be starting lessons every day at 8.50am.
- Pupils will typically have a morning break as well as access to our outdoor area throughout the day.
- Lunchtime will commence from 11:45am with afternoon registration at 12:45pm.
- An example of a typical weekly timetable will be made available in September on the [Reception page of our website](#) and at our Induction Evening.

Practicalities

- Children are provided with a fruit or vegetable snack each day as well as milk (this is currently provided for pupils by the Government until they are 5 years old). An oat milk alternative will be provided for any child with an allergy to milk.
- If you would like to send in your own snack, please ensure that this is a piece of fruit or vegetable only.
- Children in Reception are eligible for Universal Infant Free School Meals entitlement. You are of course welcome to send your child in with a packed lunch (please remember nothing in these should include nuts).
- Children should have their water bottle in school every day. They will have access to this throughout the school day.

- Please provide a pair of named wellies in a plastic bag that are to be kept in school.
- Pupils in Reception wear their PE kits in place of regular school uniform on their PE day (day TBC)
- Our uniform policy can be found [here](#).

Reading

- 1 x phonetically decodable reading book will be sent home weekly alongside a recommended read each Friday.
- Please comment in your child's Reading Record when you have read with your child.
- Your child's reading books and Reading Record should be brought into school each day.
- Your child will take part in daily Guided Reading with an adult.

Home Learning

- The purpose of Home Learning is to consolidate and extend learning.
- The activities are designed to be fun and engaging. Sometimes your child may need support to complete these tasks.

Home School Communications

- The Reception team are available at the gate every morning and at the end of the school day.
- Your child's Class Teacher should always be your first point of contact should you have any questions.
- Parents' Evenings will take place twice throughout the year. The provisional dates for these will be shared in our Annual Planner in September.
- Feedback can be shared with Class Teachers, Parent Council Reps and Parent Governors. Please let the Reception Team know if you are interested in becoming a Parent Council Rep for your child's class.

Drop-off and Collection Arrangements

- Reception children will enter school through their own classroom door from the playground. Please support a successful start to their day by being on time. Whilst we appreciate it can be tricky to say goodbye on some mornings, it can be helpful to keep this brief and for children to enter school independently from the moment they start. In the event your child is upset, don't worry as the Reception team will do all that they can to reassure them and engage them in their school day. As we are sure you already know, children are often absolutely fine minutes after you have left.
- The children will be dismissed from their door onto the school playground, directly to their parent/carer. If the person collecting at the end of the day is different to usual, please inform the school's admin team before pick-up so that Class Teachers are aware and know who to look out for.

Reception Highlights...

- Tapestry and Instagram updates
- Nativity performance
- Educational visits throughout the year, including one off site visit per term (e.g. Cockfields Farm).
- Year group assembly performance
- Author visits (virtual and in person)
- Science investigations
- Singing circles and in-class musical performances
- Opportunities to learn outside of the classroom



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[Cheadle Hulme Primary School](#)

or, our year group page:

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