

Arnold View Primary School



Information for full timers

Welcome to Arnold View Foundation
Unit

About us

We are looking forward to your child starting full time with us in September. They will be in Busy Bees class.

F2's (full timers) will follow a curriculum that is a 'bridge' between the play based learning of F1 (part timers) and the more structured learning of Key Stage 1.

There are 3 teachers in the Unit-The F2's are taught by Mrs Wilson (Foundation Unit Leader and teacher of Busy Bees group) The F1's are taught by 2 teachers who share the role. There are also teaching assistants in the Unit, who support the children's learning.

School day

The school day for full timers is 8.55am until 3.30pm. Please enter the Unit through the double doors. Part timers start their session earlier at 8.45am to allow them time to settle before the full timers arrive. A member of staff will open the doors to you at 8.55am when the school bell goes.

After encouraging your child to hang up their own coat and store their lunchbox on the shelves under the coat pegs, please bring your child to the carpet area where they can store their book bag in their personal tray and place their filled water bottle in the yellow tray. Children then sit on the carpet for register. We have Literacy and Maths lessons in the mornings and topic based activities in the afternoon. The children also have free choice time throughout the day to access the other activities in the Unit and to use our outdoor environment.

Lunch time is 12-1pm. After lunch, from 12.30-1pm the full timers have playtime in the outdoor area, supervised by lunchtime staff.

At 3.30pm, full timers will leave by the double doors. We will send your child out to you only when you have acknowledged you have seen us.

If you are sending someone different to collect your child, please phone and let the office know, otherwise we will have to phone you to confirm this.

To avoid accidents or broken equipment, please do not allow your children to play on the climbing frame/tractor or with any of the equipment before or after school.

Thank you.

Practical information

Reading books

Your child will receive a reading book and a planner during their 2nd week in school. They may begin with a book with no words which enables us to assess their speaking skills and vocabulary. A book with words will be given when appropriate, according to your child's knowledge of letter sounds. Your child will be heard read individually once a week in addition to other reading activities we undertake as a class. We recommend that your child reads to you little and often, rather than once a week for a long period of time. The school target is for each child to read at home at least 3 times a week. Please sign the planner when you have read with your child. Planners are checked each week to identify children who are not reading at home and who may therefore need more support in school. I will be offering an informal meeting during the Autumn Term to share how we teach reading and writing and how you can help your child at home.

Letters

Most letters will be sent to you via Scholarpack. Any paper letters to go home will be placed inside your child's bookbag. If staff need to send you a message, we will either speak to you in person, send a message on Class dojo or write it in your child's planner.

Please check bookbags each night so nothing is missed.

PE

We do PE twice a week. Your child will need a PE uniform. This is navy shorts and a navy or white T shirt for indoor PE and in the Summer term only, they will need trainers or plimsolls for outdoor lessons. Footwear is not needed for indoor sessions.

Please no jogging/tracksuit bottoms as these pose a risk when the children are climbing on the apparatus. PE kits should be in a named bag and kept on your child's peg for the duration of the half term. We will send the kits home each holiday to be washed.

It would be very helpful if your child could practise getting undressed and dressed by themselves over the Summer holidays.

Milk and snack

Each day your child will be provided with a carton of milk and a piece of veg or fruit. Milk is free until your child's 5th birthday when you can then choose to pay for daily milk. If your child does not drink milk, they can have a drink of water from their water bottle.

Lunches

Children can have a school dinner or bring a packed lunch. Children having a school dinner are provided with water to drink or may bring a carton of fruit juice.

As we hold 'Healthy Schools' status, children are encouraged to bring a healthy packed lunch. Children are discouraged from bringing chocolate bars and we do not allow fizzy drinks. As with school dinners, water is provided or children may bring a juice carton. As we have children in school with severe nut allergies, please do not put any items containing nuts in your child's lunchbox.

Please ensure your child knows each day if they are having a school dinner or a packed lunch as this is recorded in the register.

Water

We encourage the children to drink water throughout the day. Please provide your child with a named water bottle and send it filled each day. Please do not send juice or flavoured water in your child's water bottle.

Uniform

Uniform information can be found in our school prospectus. To avoid mix-ups and lost items, please clearly label each piece of your child's uniform, especially PE kit.

<https://www.mynametags.com/>
<https://www.just-schoolwear.co.uk/>
<https://www.schoolwearsolutions.com/>

Absences

If your child is unwell and not attending school, please phone the school office on 9560967 by 9.30am. Also if you are running late or your child has an appointment, please ring to let us know. Please be aware that if your child has been sick or has a stomach bug, they will need to stay off school for 48 hours to ensure it is not passed on to other children. Attendance is monitored very closely so please ensure school is informed of the reason for any absence.

If there are any other pieces of information you would like,
or if there is anything you are unsure about, please do not
hesitate to contact me.

Lisa Wilson
Foundation Stage Lead

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Price List



Named Water Bottle £3.00

Book Bag with Handle £3.75



Book Bag with Strap £5.75

PE Bag £3.50



Available from the School Office