

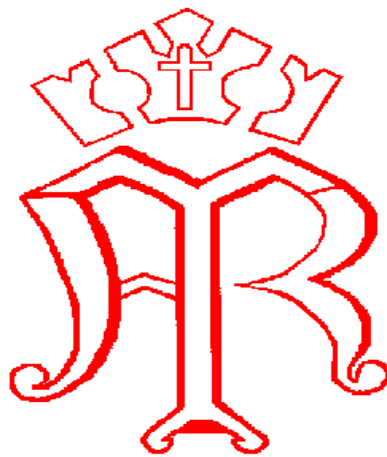


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Welcome to
St. Mary's Catholic Primary School
Early Years Foundation Stage

September 2020



Induction Booklet for
Reception Families



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Dear parents,

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you and your child to our school in September.

We want this to be the beginning of a happy secure and successful time for you and your child and our aim is to develop a supportive partnership where we can all work together.

We recognise that starting school can be an anxious time for parents and children. The aim of this booklet is to provide you with information and advice to make your child's transition into school as smooth as possible.

Meet our team



Mrs Morgan

Reception Class Teacher
Senior Teacher
SEND/CO



Mrs Smith

Reception Class Teacher
Music Co-Ordinator



Mrs Wall

Reception Teaching Assistant (HLTA)



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Learning Together- Getting ready for school

As a parent or family member you are your child's first and most important educators. The support you give your children has an enormous influence on their achievements. When children know their teachers and parents are interested, they are more likely to be successful learners.

Learning at home

Learning these skills will make a real difference to your child before starting school:

- Recognising their name
- Recognising letters and numbers in the environment
- Singing lots of songs and rhymes
- Listening games- What can you hear?
- Drawing, colouring, making and any physical activity
- Talking about thoughts and feelings
- Sharing books
- Encouraging your child to have a go at something new and develop independence (doing things for themselves)
- Dressing and undressing independently
- Holding a pair of scissors to cut along straight and wavy lines

Remember to praise your child for everything they attempt, even if they don't get it right first time.

Useful Skills

When your child starts school it would be helpful if they could do these things

- Take off their coat and hang it up
- Put on their coat and fasten it
- Change their shoes
- Dress and undress (including buttons)
- Use a knife and fork
- Use the toilet independently
- Wash and dry hands
- Share toys and take turns
- Help to tidy toys away



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Things your child will need at school

School book bag



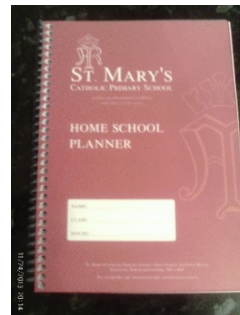
P.E Bag and P.E clothes



Water Bottle



School Planner



Your child will need these things for their first day at school:

- Book bag
- P.E Kit
- Water bottle
- School Planner

*Please make sure that everything is labelled with your child's name on it so that we can return any lost items to them.



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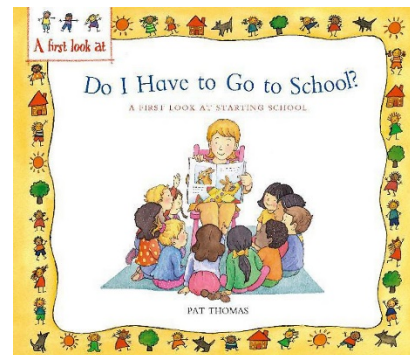
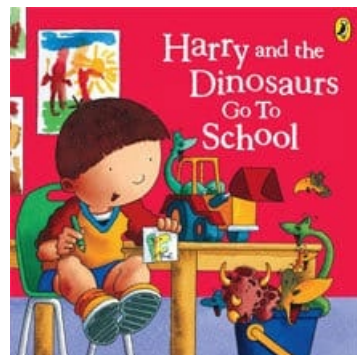
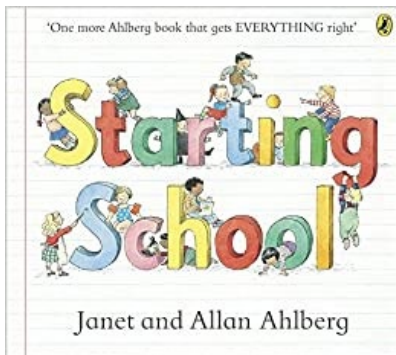
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Preparing your child for their first day

Your child's first day at school is an exciting time for them. You could follow these steps when helping your child prepare:

- Talk about school in a positive way
- Go shopping together to get things for school
- Allow time for your child to try on their uniform
- Encourage your child to talk to family and friends about starting school
- Plan ahead for changes in routine
- Share books about starting school
- Practise travelling to school together before the big day

Useful books



If you are unsure of anything and need advice please contact us at school.

We look forward to meeting you and your child in September.

Mrs Morgan and Mrs Smith

Reception Class Teachers