



Welcoming - Kind - Polite - Successful

**Welcome to
Early Years Foundation Stage**



EYFS Vision

The EYFS (F1 and F2) at West Kirby Primary School ensures that all children have an equal opportunity to develop and learn in a safe and nurturing environment, where play and learning is effectively combined. Through engaging, practical learning experiences, we strive to equip all children with a love of learning and a natural curiosity. We are committed to giving our pupils the best possible start to their school life, teaching them skills to be successful and develop a positive wellbeing now and in the future.



How do we aim to achieve this?

- Successful learners who love learning, find out what they are good at, do their very best, make progress and achieve to their full potential.
- Confident individuals who know who and how to ask for support when needed and are able to lead safe, healthy and fulfilling lives.
- Responsible citizens who make a positive contribution to society and want to make a positive difference to the world.

Our Team



Mrs Bailey
Head Teacher



Mrs McCann
Deputy Head Teacher
& SENDCo



Mrs Catt
Early Years Lead & Class
Teacher



Miss Raraty
Class Teacher



Mrs Kenyon
Teaching Assistant

Early Years Foundation Stage Framework



Areas of Learning

Prime Areas:

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Communication and Language
- Physical Development

Specific Areas:

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts & Design



At the end of F2 children are assessed against the Early Learning Goals in these areas and transition into Year 1 begins.

Our Approach to Learning

- We know that children learn best when they feel happy and secure.
- Children learn in different ways and our environment and planned activities reflect this.
- Assessments take place on a daily basis through the form of observations of play and mark making, as well as through conversations and adult interactions - rather than formal testing.
- Planning follows a 2-year rolling cycle to ensure children receive a rich and varied curriculum, which enables them to learn, gain independence and make sense of the real world.
- Planning is also flexible to suit the interests and needs of our children.





New outdoor area provision coming September 2022



West Kirby Primary School



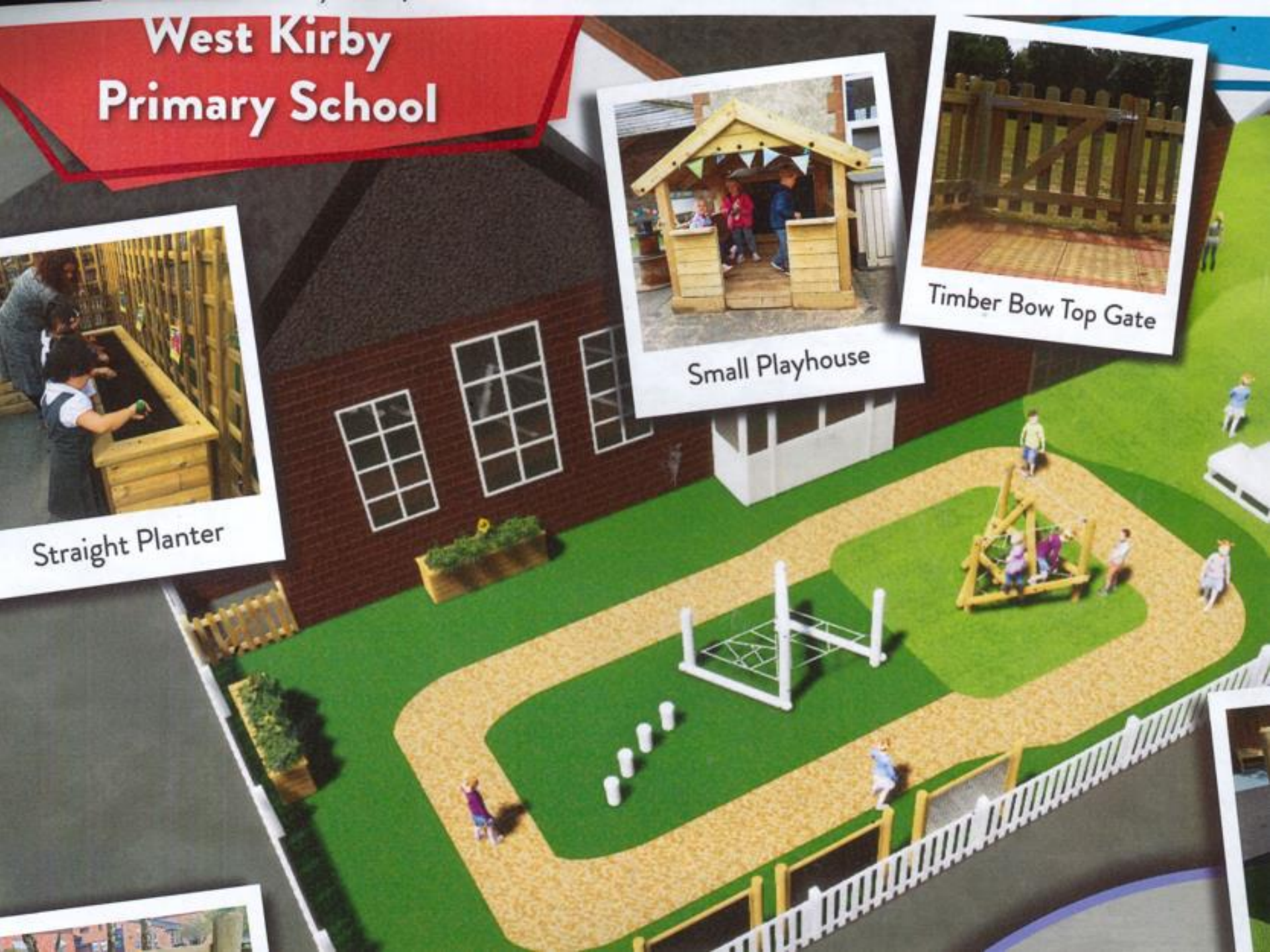
Straight Planter



Small Playhouse



Timber Bow Top Gate



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Welcome to our PTA...

PTA Clip



We're a friendly and proactive group of people who are passionate about helping the children get the best out of their time at **West Kirby Primary**.

Our main function is to raise funds to support the school and organise activities for children that contribute to their social wellbeing and provide those 'little extras' that make their time at West Kirby Primary School memorable.

We also provide a really good network for parents, carers and grandparents to bring school and home closer together.

Lastly, we're here for the simple reason that we want to get together socially, meet new people and have fun!



Meet The PTA Team...

- The PTA is run by a committee, who are all volunteers.
- At present we have a core group of about 12 parents who meet monthly to plan and organise events.
- We have a Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, Promotional Officer and 7 trustees.
- We also have nominated class representatives who pass information from the PTA to other parents in their child's class. Please do join your class WhatsApp group to keep in the loop about our activities and find out more.

PTA Calendar of Events...



Parent & Carer Socials...



What we have achieved...

Over the years we have raised thousands of pounds for the school, which has been used to buy equipment and host many fun activities for the children and parents.

We focus on raising funds for equipment that will keep the children healthy, promote social interaction and develop self-confidence.
Our activities are all about having fun!

Equipment funded by the PTA...

- Trim Trail
- iPads
- Ergonomic chairs and other furniture
- Planters and other improvements to the playgrounds
- Play and sports equipment
- Books
- Year 6 leaver hoodies



Here are some of the things you can do to support...

- Follow us on Facebook
- Join your class WhatsApp group where your PTA Class Rep can keep you updated on activities and events
- Bring us your thoughts and ideas for fund raising.
The PTA can help plan and deliver them.
- Help out at events – we know you can't always make the meetings, but we always need volunteers to help run events, wrap presents. Lots of support can be given from home.
- Use your skills – everyone has a way of contributing - providing prizes, securing prizes from local businesses, hands on crafting like face painting, nail art etc, gardening, cake baking. Please let us know if you've any special skills that might help raise funds or provide activities that the children will enjoy.
- Make a donation using our account details. If you've a specific cause you'd like to donate to then please let us know.





Summer Fair
Saturday, 9th July
11:30 – 2:00pm

You are all invited
FREE ENTRY TO ALL OUR
NEW FAMILIES

We hope to see you there.



Settling In



EYFS Garden Party

- Tuesday 28th June 2022 1:45pm-3pm

Please arrive at the School Office.

We would like to welcome all Parents/Carers and children to our school for an informal afternoon of games and fun! We will provide cakes and sandwiches, made fresh in our school kitchen.

Stay and Play Sessions

- Tuesday 12th July 2022 - AM: 9:30am-11am or PM: 1:15pm-2:45pm
- Tuesday 19th July 2022 – AM 9:30am-11am or PM: 1:15pm-2:45pm

Please arrive at the School Office.

We would like to welcome parents/carers into our EYFS provision to stay with their child and play, for either a morning or afternoon session on each of these days.

Please complete the Microsoft Form to RSVP.

Preschool/Nursery visits

- Summer Two





Starting in September



- Monday 5th September –Thursday 8th September
F2 children - Morning or afternoon session
- Friday 9th September
All F2 children in full time

F1 children - we will make contact with you about settling in sessions or a date to start if you were with us last academic year.

Children sometimes find parting from parents difficult at first, but staff are always on hand to provide reassurance and support. If your child is upset when you leave them, we will contact you once they have settled, to give you peace of mind.

Home School Partnership

- Tapestry online learning journal
 - Observations of learning – home and school
 - Celebrations – home and school
 - Weekly Memo
 - Home learning
- Book bags & record books
- Parent workshops
- Enrichment activities

We are here for you.



Attendance



GETTING **YOUR**
CHILD TO SCHOOL
REALLY MATTERS

THE TOTAL NUMBER
OF LEARNING
OPPORTUNITY
HOURS IN SCHOOL

= 975



DAYS OFF SCHOOL
ADD UP TO
LOST LEARNING



ATTENDANCE	ABSENCE	LOST LEARNING
95%	= 9 days	= 50 lessons
90%	= 19 days	= 100 lessons
85%	= 29 days	= 150 lessons



95% ATTENDANCE
SEEMS POSITIVE
BUT **A QUARTER**
OF A SCHOOL YEAR
IS LOST LEARNING
OVER 5 YEARS

HELP SUPPORT **YOUR**
CHILD TO MAKE EVERY
SCHOOL DAY COUNT

#EVERY
#DAYCOUNTS

Attendance

**From statutory school age*

- Regular school attendance is central to raising standards in education and to improving the life chances of all children.
- Regular attendance at school enables children to gain maximum benefit from the range of educational and wider opportunities available to them.
- The need for regular school attendance is given a high priority by all Wirral Schools.
- Regular attendance is 'on accordance with the rules prescribed by the school.' In Wirral schools, this is interpreted as **every day that the school requires a child to attend unless the absence has been approved by the Headteacher.**



Attendance



#EVERYDAYCOUNTS



HIGH ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL GETS YOUR CHILD'S LIFE OFF TO A *FLYING START!*



INCREASING ATTENDANCE BY JUST 5% CAN DOUBLE THE CHANCES OF GAINING GOOD QUALIFICATIONS

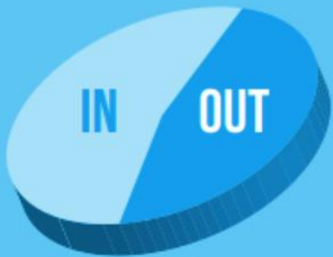


MISSING TWO DAYS A MONTH MEANS A CHILD MISSES **10%** OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

GOOD ATTENDANCE IN PRIMARY SCHOOL



Writing + MATHS SKILLS



THERE ARE **175** DAYS A YEAR NOT SPENT IN SCHOOL

PLENTY OF TIME FOR SHOPPING, HOLIDAYS AND APPOINTMENTS!



100s | **1000s**
OF SUBJECTS | OF CLASSES
ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES



TURNING UP JUST **5 MINUTES** LATE EVERY DAY ADDS UP TO OVER **3 DAYS** LOST IN THE YEAR!

MORE SCHOOL=



HIGHER GRADES



INCREASED CONFIDENCE



MORE FRIENDS



BRIGHTER FUTURE

Attendance



Responsibilities and Expectations of Parents & Carers...

- To ensure that your child attends school every day that the school is open unless there is a genuine and unavoidable reason that prevents them from this-F2.
- To ensure that your child arrives on time to school each day. A reason should be offered for any lateness – F1 & F2.
- To inform school as soon as possible, by phone or in person if your child is unable to attend any day – along with the reason for absence – F1 & F2.
- To make medical appointments outside school hours wherever possible and to inform school in advance of any medical appointments that cannot be scheduled out of school time – F2 and where possible F1.



#EVERYDAYCOUNTS



Attendance

**From statutory school age*



Responsibilities and Expectations of Parents & Carers...

- To take family holidays during school holiday periods, and to be aware that there is no entitlement to withdraw children for authorised leave of absence during term time. Any request for leave of absence during term time should be made in writing (using the correct form) and in advance to the Headteacher.

Changes in Government Regulations mean that as of 1st September 2013, there is no entitlement for parents to withdraw their children for authorised leave of absence in term time. A Headteacher can only grant leave if there are exceptional circumstances surrounding the request. If the Headteacher is satisfied that there are exceptional circumstances to warrant the granting of leave of absence, the Headteacher will then determine the number of school days a child can be away from school.

- To talk to us at school as soon as possible if your child becomes reluctant to come to school for any reasons, or if there are any other issues impacting on school attendance. This is so that any problems can be quickly identified and over come.

Attendance

**From statutory school age*



#EVERYDAYCOUNTS



97%

This is the expected attendance of all compulsory age school children.
If your child's attendance drops below this, this is where stepped interventions start to be implemented.

Phone call home, letter of concern, 1:1 meeting, fixed penalty notice (in cases of unauthorised attendance), attendance panel meeting, involvement of Wirral Attendance Officer.

#EVERY #DAYCOUNTS

Since the pandemic, education has been disrupted. This is why now, more than ever, **#EVERYDAYCOUNTS** in school.

Together we can make sure that **every child** has the opportunity to succeed and have the bright future they deserve.

WIRRAL ATTENDANCE SERVICE:

E: schoolattendance@wirral.gov.uk | T: 0151 666 3433



School Meals



Children may have a school meal or bring a packed lunch from home.

All pupils in F2, Y1 and Y2 are entitled to a school meal, free of charge. F1s pay £2.20 via ParentPay.

Packed lunches must not contain any nuts as we are a nut free school.



Our school meals are home-made and prepared by our in-house Catering Team and sometimes include fruit and vegetables in season grown by our pupils.

See our website for more details – Weekly Menus and Healthy Eating Policy.



Wrap Around Provision

WAVES

(We Achieve, Value, Encourage Success)

This is our Breakfast and After School Club. It runs daily, at school, during term time for children 4-11 years old and is managed by our own school staff to ensure consistency for the children.

Breakfast Club (includes breakfast): 7.45-8.40am - £3.50

After School Club (includes snack): 3.20-4.20pm - £4.50

3.20-5.45pm - £7.50





Preparing for School

- Practise dressing - putting on coats, pulling up trousers, putting on shoes, etc.
- Independence when using the toilet & washing hands.
- Practise using scissors and cutlery.
- Number activities – counting, matching, using real life situations.
- Encourage mark making and name writing – lower case except for initial letter (if your child is ready).





Uniform

All uniform needs to be named please.

F2

- White polo shirt
 - Royal blue jumper or cardigan
 - Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or dress
 - Blue check dresses in summer if preferred
 - Black school shoes – easy to fasten!
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- PE kit – light blue t-shirt, navy blue jogging bottoms/shorts & velcro trainers. Tracksuit on PE days.



**Our uniform policy can be found on our school website.*



Uniform

All uniform needs to be named please

F1

- White polo shirt
 - Navy blue jumper or cardigan
 - Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or dress
 - Blue check dresses in summer if preferred
 - Black school shoes – easy to fasten!
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- PE kit – light blue t-shirt, navy blue jogging bottoms/shorts & **velcro** trainers. Tracksuit on PE days.



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WKPS Book Bags



- F2s can purchase a blue book bag for £5.00 - available to order at the Graden Party tomorrow. Please bring cash.
- F1s will receive a clear plastic book bag for free in September.



Information Pack

When you pick up your information pack you will find a number of forms to complete and sign.

Please could you return these forms to school by Tuesday 12th July to allow time to process them before the end of term.



Any Questions?

Website: <https://www.westkirbyprimaryschool.co.uk/website>

Call: 0151 625 5561

Email: schooloffice@westkirby-primary.wirral.sch.uk

We are really looking forward to seeing you soon!

