Parent Transition & Information Guide 2026/2027

WALKERINGHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Welcome to Willow Class

Children return to school for the 2026-2027 academic year on Wednesday 2nd September at the usual start time of 8:50am. On return to school, children will enter 'The Nest' classroom. At the start of the

day children will hang their bags and coats, take part in a story sharing session, answer the register and then Year 1 and Year 2 pupils will walk through to 'The Den' to start their day and Nursery and Reception will stay in 'The Nest' classroom to begin their learning.

If you have a message, please do this through the school office and Mrs Whelan or Mr Scoffield will pass on the appropriate information. If you need to speak to Miss Haigh, she will be available at 3.30pm on the playground or via Class Dojo.

Nursery
Our main priority for the Nursery children is to transition them into their new class, promote a love of learning through play-based activities and begin their phonics learning journey through songs and rhymes.

Reception
Our main priority for Reception children is to continue building on their foundational knowledge of maths and phonics, begin their journey to independently write a sentence and explore the world around themselves through play and structured activities.

In Reception, we will explore a range of topics throughout the year. Our topics will be relating to the world around us and our interest.

You can find more information regarding our EYFS curriculum through our class Curriculum Maps on our school website:

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Staff

Miss Haigh is the class teacher and will teach all main learning in the class.

Miss Humphrey and Mrs Scoffield are the classroom teaching assistants.

PE

PE is taught by a sports coach on a Tuesday delivering above and beyond the curriculum PE sessions and by Miss Haigh on a Thursday. All pupils will need to come into school in their PE kits on those days every week.

A reminder that PE kit is plain navy shorts or jogging bottoms, plain white or light blue polo shirt or t-shirt, navy blue jumper and trainers.

For more details regarding PE kit or school uniform then please refer to the school website
https://www.walkeringham.notts.sch.uk/uniform-information/

Homework

Nursery

In Nursery, the expectations regarding homework at Walkeringham Primary School are as follows:

Reading: To help grow a love of reading within your child please try to share at least 3 stories a week with them at home. Children will be given a sharing book weekly to take home.

Reception

In Reception, the expectations regarding homework at Walkeringham Primary School are as follows:

Reading: Children should be reading their phonics reading book at least 3 times a week although we do encourage 5 reads a week. Please record a simple comment in their reading records so we know when your child has read. Reading books and diaries need to be in school every day and phonics reading books will be changed weekly or as necessary.

Phonics: Your child will be given a phonics recap sheet detailing all our phonics learning from throughout the week. Please support your child by looking at this sheet with them at home and discussing any new sounds covered in class.

Snack time:
At snack time, each day the children will be offered a fruit snack.

If your child would like to receive milk this needs to be purchased separately via the cool milk website https://www.coolmilk.com/. All children entitled to free school meals will receive milk (this does not include universal free school meals). Milk is free for all children until their 5th birthday but does need to be applied for on the above website.

We have lots of exciting things planned throughout the year that we are excited to share with you. Any photos or information will be shared via Class Dojo. If you have any questions or would like to contact your child's teacher, please send a message via Class Dojo (https://www.classdojo.com/).