



# STARTING SCHOOL AT LAWN

Here is some useful information that will help get you and your child September ready!



## ***What will happen on the first day of school?***

Please bring your child to line up along the fence outside of school for 8:45am. The gate will be opened and our EYFS team will be there to greet your child and walk them down to the classroom.

The school gates are opened at 8:45am and closed at 8:55am. If you arrive after this time you must go to the school office.

Your child will have a peg to hang their coat on and a drawer to store their book bag. There will be baskets in the classroom for water bottles.



## ***What does my child need to bring in each day?***



### **Coat**

(suitable for the weather as we do spend a lot of time outside)



### **Water bottle**

(containing water only, please - no juice)



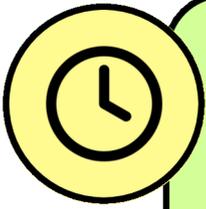
**A book bag** - we use these to send reading books home, reading for pleasure books as well as any paper copies of letters etc. that need to be sent home.

Please, please **do not put water bottles in book bags**, if they leak reading books will get damaged. **Do not send your child to school with a rucksack**, we simply do not have the room in the cloakroom to store them and they do not need them.

If your child has toileting issues and you need to send in spare clothes, this is fine, please speak to your child's class teacher about this.

In the warmer weather please send your child in with a sun hat. They do not need to bring sun-cream as this can be applied in the morning before they come to school.

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### ***What does the school day look like?***

The timetable of the day will be roughly as follows:

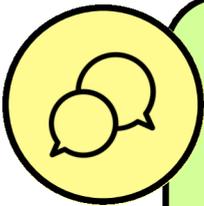
8:45-9:00	Arrive at school, have time to settle in and register
9:00	Little Wandle Phonics session
9:20	Getting busy in the provision
10:10	Snack time
10:30	Break time on the playground
10:45	Maths session
11:05	Getting busy in the provision
12:00	Wash hands - Lunch time
1:00	Topic session
1:30	Getting busy in the provision
2:00	Carpet time - discuss what we have been busy doing in the provision
2:10	Getting busy in the provision
3:00	Story time
3:30	Home time



### ***What happens at home time?***

At home time, the classes are brought down to the Foundation Stage gate. The teacher will hand your child over to whoever is picking them up. Your child will only be allowed to go with a parent or a named person.

**If someone else is allowed to collect your child please let the office staff know.**



### ***What do I do if I need to contact my child's teacher?***

If you need to speak with any of us, please **feel free to catch us at the end of the school day** - we will always be available at the gate after handover.

If there is something quick that you need to tell us, that is not of major importance, then feel free to message us using **Class Dojo**. We will always try to respond within 48 hours.

If you require a more formal meeting, then you can always arrange an appointment to meet with the class teacher.

**If you need to inform us of your child's absence or alternative collection arrangements, then please do this via the school office.** We ask that you do not use Class Dojo for this as we cannot guarantee that the class teacher will see this once the school day has started.



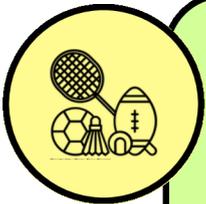
### ***What is Class Dojo?***

Class Dojo is a school communication platform and classroom management app that connects teachers, students, and families.

During the first week of school, your child will bring home a paper invitation for you to join Class Dojo. Please do this as soon as possible. We use Class Dojo as our main way of communicating with parents. Here you will be able to access newsletters, curriculum letters, PTFA information plus much more.

We also use Dojo Points as a reward system across the school.

Once signed up, you are able to contact us and we can contact you.



### ***PE at Lawn***

Once the children have started school you will be informed of your child's PE days.

As being able to dress and undress independently forms as part of the Personal, Social and Emotional Development Early Learning Goal for reception aged children, we ask that all children bring their PE kit to school and they will change here.

As we only do PE twice a week, the kit will be sent in at the beginning of each half term, kept in school and then sent home at the end of each half term to be washed.

Your child will be allocated a house colour (for those with older siblings at Lawn, it will be the same colour). Below is a list of items that need to be included in your child's PE kit.

#### **Indoor PE Kit items:**

T-shirt in house colour, plain black shorts, black slip-on plimsolls or trainers

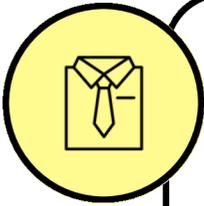
#### **Outdoor PE Kit items:**

Plain black or plain house colour jumper or hoodie, plain black joggers, house colour t-shirt and black trainers. No large logos.

For girls who wear tights as part of their school uniform - please pack a pair of socks for them to change into for PE.

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**This does include trainers/shoes!**



## **What does my child wear to school?**

Below is a list of items as part of our school uniform (required):



*Jumper or cardigan with the school logo on it.*



*Black trousers, shorts or skirts.*



*Silver and green tie*

*(for Reception Children, please purchase an elasticated tie - as the clip-on ties often fall off and get lost with the younger children).*



*White shirt or blouse (either long or short sleeved)*



*Black or white socks or black tights*



*Black shoes or boots*

- *No coloured socks, tights, footless tights or leggings*
- *No shoes with heels or 'Ugg' style boots*
- *No trainers*

Our school uniform can be purchased online at Tesco or by visiting one of our suppliers.

Summer green and white checked dresses can be worn in warmer months. This ordinarily would be Easter onwards.

**All long hair, regardless of gender, should be tied up using a small white, green or black hair tie or head band only.** No 'holiday' braiding for school or clip on coloured pieces, please keep this to the summer holiday.

**The only items of jewellery allowed in school are watches and small stud earrings, or items of a religious significance. Make-up including nail varnish and adhesive tattoos should not be worn to school.**

***We are all really excited about your child starting their school journey with us at Lawn. We hope this information is useful, for any further information, feel free to visit our school website or do not hesitate to contact us.***

**The Foundation Stage Team**