



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:

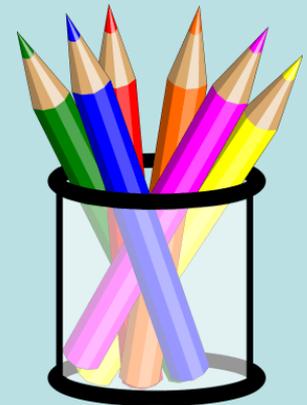
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts & Design



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



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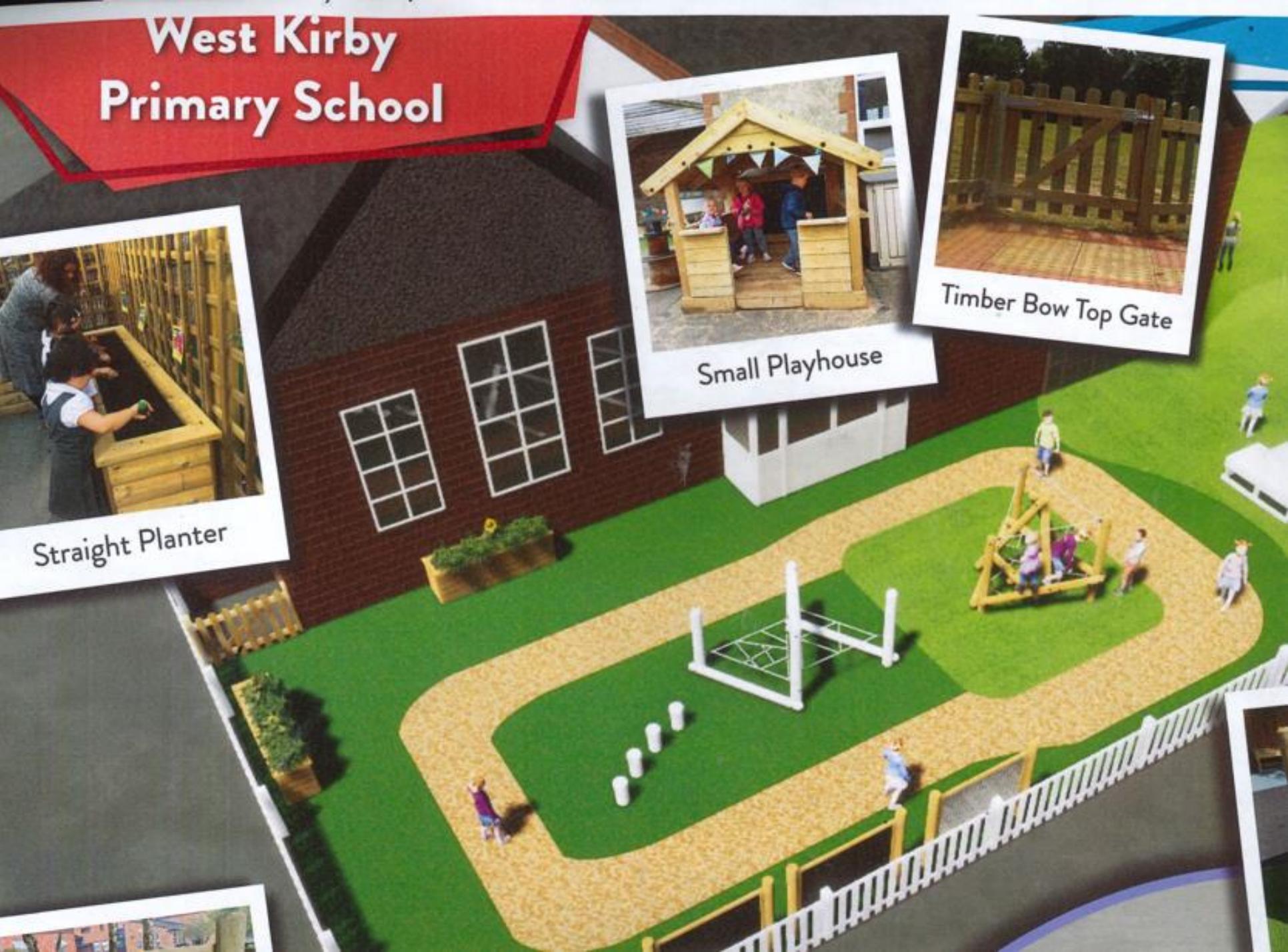
Straight Planter



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...

**HELLO Spring**

West Kirby Primary PTA  
Spring Coffee Morning

Parents and carers join us for cake, coffee and a catch up!

Don't forget to have a mooch around our mini stalls and find that perfect gift for someone special.

Friday 25th March  
08:45 till 09:45

West Kirby Primary Presents:

## BREAK the RULES DAY

**Our School Rules:**

- \* School uniform must be worn
- \* Hair must be neat and tidy
- \* No Juice in your water bottle
- \* Socks must match
- \* Nail varnish must not be worn

Here's how it works:

**Break the Rules for April Fools**  
Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> April

West Kirby Primary School PTA

**BUT ...For every rule (listed above) that is broken you must pay the fine of 50p payable to your class teacher**

**THIS OCTOBER!**

**PUMPKIN DECORATING & CARVING COMPETITION.**  
Win two tickets to Benty Farm's Spooky Walk!

- Decorate or carve a pumpkin.
- Email picture to- westkirbyprimarypta@gmail.com
- £1 per entry.
- Closing date- Tuesday 19th October.

**HALLOWEEN JARS**

- Find a Jar.
- Decorate it as spooky as you like!
- Fill it with lots of treats (no nuts please).
- Send it in before Thursday 21st October.

Halloween jars on sale after school  
Thursday 21st October!

**SCARY HAIRY DAY**  
Thursday 21st October

£1 entry and come to school with the scariest, craziest hair!

WKPS PTA

**PTA Easter Craft Workshop**

WONDERFUL EASTER AFTER-SCHOOL CRAFT SESSION FOR ALL TO ENJOY.

Monday 4th April- EYFS  
Tuesday 5th April- UKS2  
Wednesday 6th April- KS1  
Thursday 7th April- LKS2

To book onto a session, please fill out a form and return it to school.

WEST KIRBY PRIMARY PTA

## Bake Sale

Calling all from F1, F2, Yr2, Yr4 & Yr6  
We are asking for contributions of cakes and bakes to sell at our stall.

You can bake it or bake it!

Please bring to school  
Friday 18th February

Polite reminder:  
We are a nut-free school

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**SUMMER RAFFLE**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Upload your logo here

Go Ape Voucher, Karma Restaurant, Café Vouchers, KuKu, Viking Golf, Jumping Josephs, Mini Monsters, Yogasmiths plus many more!

Draw Date: Saturday 9th July 1:45pm

All monies and unsold tickets to be returned to the promoter before the draw date.

£100 strip - £5.00 book

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Super Express - 3 Working Days Despatch

**Ice Lolly Sale**

# 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.



A colorful poster for the PTA Summer Fair. At the top, "PTA" is written in green, and "SUMMER FAIR" is written in white on a yellow banner. Below this, the date and time "Saturday 9th July 11:30 to 14:00" are written in red. The school name "WEST KIRBY PRIMARY SCHOOL" is in blue. A red banner below that says "ADULTS - £1 CHILDREN - FREE". A list of activities follows, including a 40ft Inflatible Assault Course, Penalty Shoot out, Bouncy Castle, Fairground games, Owl Encounter, World of Exotics (reptiles), Green Onion BBQ, and Pimms Corner. The poster is decorated with colorful bunting, clouds, and flowers. At the bottom, a green banner says "We can't wait to see you there!".

**PTA**  
**SUMMER FAIR**

Saturday 9th July  
11:30 to 14:00

WEST KIRBY PRIMARY SCHOOL

**ADULTS - £1**  
**CHILDREN - FREE**

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!

- 40ft Inflatible Assault Course •
- Penalty Shoot out •
- Bouncy Castle •
- Fairground games •
- Owl Encounter •
- World of Exotics (reptiles) •
- Green Onion BBQ •
- Pimms Corner •
- and much more!

We can't wait to see you there!

**Summer Fair**  
**Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> 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 28<sup>th</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup> July 2022 - AM: 9:30am-11am or PM: 1:15pm-2:45pm
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022 – AM 9:30am-11am or PM: 1:15pm-2:45pm

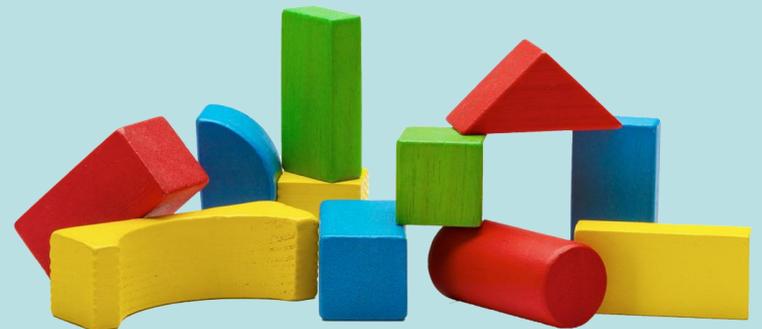
Please arrive at the School Office.

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 5<sup>th</sup> September –Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September  
F2 children - Morning or afternoon session
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> 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

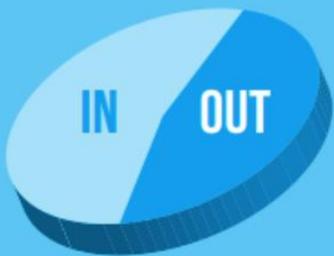


MISSING TWO DAYS A MONTH MEANS A CHILD MISSES 10% OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

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 OF SUBJECTS | 1000s 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto: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!
- 
- 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:schooloffice@westkirby-primary.wirral.sch.uk)

We are really looking forward to seeing you soon!

