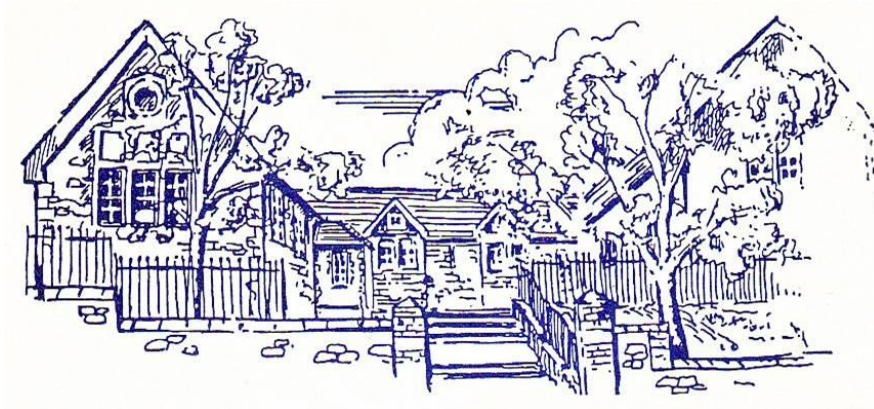


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FOUNDATION PHASE BROCHURE

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Year 1 - Miss F Hogarth
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General Information

We would like to welcome you and your child to the Foundation Phase at Old Road Primary School and hope the following information will be of help to you.

Children are admitted to our Cylch Meithrin Nursery once they are two and a half years old. The cost is £7.00 per session for 2½ to 3 year olds and £ 5.00 for 3 year olds. The times for our Meithrin are 9.00a.m. to 12.00

Our Meithrin and Early Years Class are located in the same building which is beneficial for our children to ease the transition from part time to full time as the children are used to the routine and all the staff.

The term they are 4, children will start full time education in our Reception 1 class. At first, to ease the transition between part and full time/home and school, your child may do a reduced day. This time will be extended as soon as your child is ready.

To aid the transition from home to school it is helpful if your child can use a knife and fork properly, go to the toilet unaided and put on their own coat.



Fruit Breaks

We encourage all our children to enjoy fruit during morning breaktimes. It is a long morning for children from breakfast to lunch and so a piece of fruit and a drink of water rehydrates and feeds so they are ready for their lessons. Apples and bananas are available for the children and the cost is £1.00 for the week payable on a Monday.

Water Bottles

We encourage all children to bring their own water bottles to school as it is so important to keep hydrated. Please ensure your child's name is clearly marked on their bottle. Bottles are sent home every evening.



Outdoor Learning

Meithrin/Reception/Year 1/Year 2

As part of the Foundation Phase your child will be using the outdoor classroom during the school week. Therefore as the weather gets colder and wetter, could you please ensure that your child wears a coat and hat etc. to school every day.



Reading Books

Reception/Year 1/Year 2

Reading books will be sent home with a Reading Record in which you can record your child's progress at home. It is so important to read with your child for a few minutes every evening or as often as you are able to.



Physical Education

Reception/Year 1/Year 2

On PE all children need to bring a PE kit (shorts, t shirt and trainers).



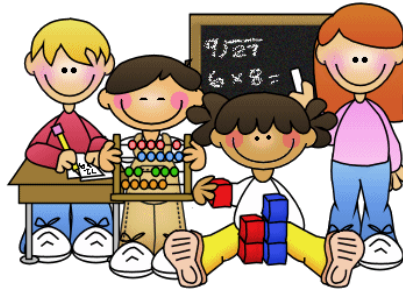
Health and Well Being

Please make sure if your child has a medical condition of any sort you inform the class teacher on your first visit and also provide details on the medical information form you will be provided with.

It is essential we have emergency contact details which are kept up to date regularly.

It is also important that your child is properly toilet trained before starting full time school. However, we do understand some will have occasional accidents when they first start school. We will change pupils who have wet themselves, however as we have limited washing facilities we are unable to change those who soil. On these occasions we will need to contact you.

Ensuring your child's hair is tied up will also help in the prevention of head lice.



What is The Foundation Phase?

The Foundation phase has seven Areas of Learning:

1. Personal and Social Development, Well-Being and Cultural Diversity
2. Language Literacy and Communication Skills
3. Mathematical Development
4. Welsh Language Development
5. Knowledge and Understanding of the World
6. Physical Development
7. Creative Development

The Foundation Phase places great emphasis on children learning by doing. Children will be given opportunities to gain first hand experiences through play and active involvement.

Emphasis is placed on developing their speaking and listening skills and to become confident in their reading and writing abilities.

Mathematics is taught so that children have experience on how problems are solved and how important mathematics is in their everyday lives.

Emphasis is placed on children understanding how things work and finding different ways to solve problems.

Learning will focus on experiential learning, active involvement and developing each child's skills and understanding

Personal, social and emotional well-being, to develop the whole child.

Positive attitudes to learning so that they enjoy it and want to continue learning!

Self-esteem and self-confidence to experiment, investigate, learn new things and form new relationships.

Activities in the outdoors where they have first-hand experience of solving real-life problems and learn about conservation and sustainability.



and finally...

We aim to make your child's transition from home to school as stress free and as smooth as possible. If you do have any concerns at all, please do not hesitate to contact a member of staff - we are more than happy to put your mind at ease.

Welcome to Old Road Primary School!

