



9:00am/11:00 /1:30pm

Welcome and arrive

9:10am /11:10/ 1:40pm

1:1 parent/teacher 'chat' –
10 minutes or so per family
(children stay in classroom
with teaching assistant)

Approx 10:00am/12:00/2:30pm

Teacher talk –
'All About Padnell
School'

10:30am/12:30/3:00

Home!



Coming in and leaving school



- Before the doors open you are welcome to wait in the playground. Children can use the playground equipment, but they **remain your responsibility until the doors open.**
- All children come in through the middle doors.
- Doors open at **8.40am** and close at **8.55am** for the start of day.
- A Year R teacher will always be on the door in the morning. Should you have any messages for the class teacher please send an email via the office to keep the flow going. Conversations with the teacher can take place more easily at the end of the day.
- Home time: **3.05pm.**
- If anyone other than the parent is to collect, please inform the office via email and send in a photo of the person collecting, or if it's a known-to-us parent then let the teacher on the door in the morning know.

Uniform and names, names, names...!

- Please ensure everything is clearly named especially if it's a hand me down! Be aware that written-in names get 'washed out' after a while.
- **Children are to be in uniform from Friday 4th September.** Please name shoes/plimsolls and lunch boxes.
- To be kept in school:
 - PE kit in named PE bag (not backpacks please) **PE day is a Wednesday.**
 - Old set of clothes/waterproofs for Joey's Field in a named bag
 - Wellies - needed all year round (Forest School).
- Please ensure shoulder-length hair and longer is tied back (for both boys and girls). Please use black, white or purple hair accessories
- Stud earrings only and these have to be removed at home or taped for PE
- Clear, school water bottles should be brought in ready-filled daily. Children have free access to these. **Water only please.**
- Named book bags to be brought into school daily (1 keyring only please!)



Snack and lunch



- Children have milk and fruit daily at snack time. This is free but from the week of their 5th birthday, milk has to be paid for. Order through Coolmilk on the school website. You will need to register with Coolmilk to receive the free milk.
- School meals are **free** in infant school. Weekly menus are on the school website. You will need to pre-order your child's lunch at home.
- Staying for lunch begins Friday 11th September (week 2).
- Children will have their lunch in the hall altogether and will go to the big playground to play afterwards.
- Initially whilst children settle, Year R staff are in the hall supporting the lunchtime leaders. In addition 4 of our Year R LSAs are also lunchtime leaders.
- Children's independence is encouraged right from the start e.g. carrying and clearing their trays, cutting up their food, etc.
- Children are encouraged to try all that is on their plate and have to eat at least one of their vegetables before having their pudding.
- If your child is having a packed lunch please ensure they are nut free and contain healthy choices and that they can open all the packets!

Wrap around care

- Before/after school care on site is called 'Kids Club'.
- Opens at 7.30am, closes at 5.00pm.
- This needs to be booked and paid for in advance via ARBOR and can be used from the 15th Sept when the children attend full-time/stay all day.
- Planet Padnell at the Juniors can also be used however for Year R children Kids club is the preferred option.

Tapestry



We use Tapestry for:

- phonic weekly 'help at home' sheet
- a way for you to see what your child is learning
- observations of your children



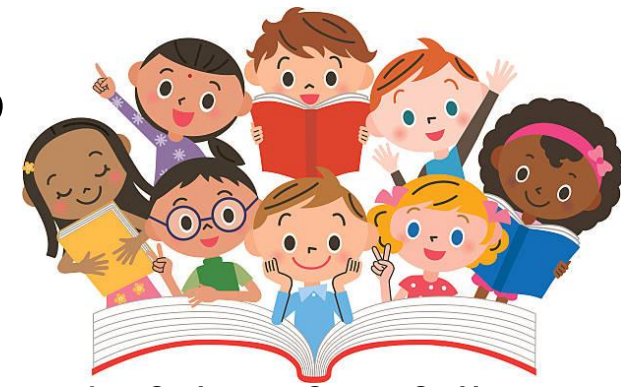
We ask that if you have any queries which are not related to your child's learning, please speak to us at the end of the day or email the school office who will pass it onto us.

Please add observations of any photos of proud moments or achievements your child would like to share with the class.

Please 'Like' the observations and comments to show you have seen them and we will aim to do the same with comments from you.

Please let us know if you still have problems gaining access to your Tapestry account.

Reading and Phonics



- Book bags are to be brought in to school daily with the reading book and reading record inside.
- Book bags should be checked and emptied regularly please.
- Children will bring home their first book on Friday 25th September at the end of their first full week in school. Initially these books will be wordless and have pictures only. This will support their early language skills and enable them to 'tell the story'.
- As the children begin their phonic lessons; acquiring sounds and beginning to blend, their reading books will match the set of sounds they are working on. The week's phonics cards and keywords will also be in their reading folders for the children to share and practise with you at home.
- 'Read' with your child 4 x a week and record this in their reading record. Last year there was a reading reward – we will update you as and when this begins.
- Encourage your child to look for sounds around their environment eg. in books, on signs, on packets, etc.
- Children have the opportunity to choose a library book every week on a Wednesday after October half term.
- Phonics – we follow Twinkl phonics. We are holding a parent talk which will explain all about phonics and how it works on Wednesday 23rd September. Please attend if you can.

Number



- We do Maths learning daily, starting with an episode of **Numberblocks** to support and embed their understanding of the number system.
- As with phonics and reading, number practise with you at home is the key to embedding learning.
- Play counting games
- Sing number songs
- Look for numbers in the environment
- Count out objects around the home
- Count up to 10, etc.

Newsletters

- You will receive a whole school newsletter (Padnell Post) by email on a Friday
- You will also receive a separate half termly newsletter with information specifically for Year R.
- All letters can also be found on the school website

Rules & Values

- We try to embed in our children our GROW values and Padnell rules right from the outset and our policy focuses on positive reinforcement.
- All children start in the treehouse at the beginning of a session. We share with the children what we are looking for which will be related to one of the GROW values or rules (green behaviours).
- The children move their picture to the sunshine if they demonstrate our values.
- Children also have the opportunity to work for a democratically-chosen class reward by earning coins.
- Children move to the rainbow if they show the value more than once and on this instance they will receive a rainbow sticker – please talk to them about their sticker.
- The Golden Acorn is received for something hugely significant for your child and a message is sent home.
- Green, yellow and red behaviours.



I am a STAR

- We love celebrating achievements from home using our 'I am a star' stars. Please fill them in and post in the class box. Ask for more when you need them.



- Significant outside of school achievements eg. swimming, football, can be brought into school on a Friday for children to share with their class and then will be celebrated by Mrs Young in assembly. Year R attend this from the end of the Autumn Term, until then these will be celebrated in class.

Additional dates and reminders

- Thursday 10th September – Head-teacher coffee and chat. 8:45am – 9:45am – parent hub
- 23rd September – Phonics talk in school hall with Mrs Glanville – 9am-10am
- 22nd October – Year R Sharing Assembly
- ‘All About Me’ page
- Chatter-tubes
- Bring in a photo of your child with their family to add to our display

