



Burton End Primary Academy Reception Class Information



At Burton End we hold an inclusive, child-centred approach to learning at the heart of our Early Years provision. We follow 'In the Moment' Planning and 'The Curiosity Approach'.

In the moment planning enables us to teach children without interrupting their play. Children are encouraged to plan how to spend longer periods of time exploring their own learning through play. During this time, skilled practitioners observe what children are doing, interact with them and teach their next step in learning.

The Curiosity Approach uses authentic resources to bring curiosity, awe and wonder to the learning environment. The intent is to add value to pupils' play, with their needs and interests met through carefully planned invitations to play.

This year we pleased to announce that we are undertaking the training to become an official, Accredited Curiosity Approach EYFS setting!



Throughout Reception, and the rest of the school, children are taught the school's RESPECT values, Characteristics of Effective Learning and the Co-operative Learning Values from the Literacy programme the school follows: Success for All. By focussing on teaching these positive learning dispositions, our children become curious, resilient, self-aware and empathetic learners.

We believe in the power of reading to open the world to our learners. As a result, the majority of our formal, teaching sessions are taught through the use of books. This includes our phonics session, maths session and Curriculum sessions. The use of high-quality texts gives our children a love of reading and these texts are available throughout the Reception classrooms.

We also strongly believe in the outdoor as our third classroom. Our children are encouraged to learn and play outside all day, no matter the weather. The outdoor environment and nature offers a teaching experience adults and classrooms cannot provide!



At present we are unable to say what we will be able to provide your child next summer for their transition activities, but we will keep parents updated with guidance as we receive it from the government.

For new parents there is a virtual tour found on our website and a limited number of socially distanced tours outside of teaching hours. We hope that this will still provide the opportunity to experience the ethos of our school.

We know that all children are unique and have their own needs, and as an EYFS team will happily work with parents to ensure the best start possible to their school life here at Burton End.

With Covid-19 precautions currently in place, we encourage you to use our website and virtual tour. However, if you would still prefer to meet us and visit our environment in person details of how to book an appointment will be posted on our website.

For more information please visit www.burtonendschool.co.uk or call our lovely Admin team on 01440 702376