



**MEASHAM CofE
PRIMARY SCHOOL**



Measham CofE Pre-School Induction Booklet

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Welcome to Pre-School!

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome to Measham
Preschool!

We're so excited to have you and your child joining our school family. At Measham, we believe that a strong partnership between home and school helps every child to thrive.

By working closely together, we can make your child's time with us happy, rewarding, and full of wonderful learning experiences. In this booklet, we've included some helpful information about how you can support your child as they settle in.

If you ever have any questions—big or small— please don't hesitate to pop in, call, or chat with us. We're always here to help. We can't wait to begin this exciting journey of learning and growing together!

**With warmest wishes,
The Pre-School Team**



Meet the Team

We'd love you to get to know the wonderful people who will be caring for and supporting your child every day. Our team is made up of warm, dedicated, and compassionate staff who are passionate about helping children feel happy, confident, and ready to learn.



Mrs Kirsty Newman
Pre-School Room Leader



Mrs Cree Wheatley
Pre-School Room Assistant



Mrs Sarah Jones
Pre-School Assistant

Independent Learners

We try to encourage children to become as independent as possible. The first stage, is to develop each child's sense of personal responsibility.

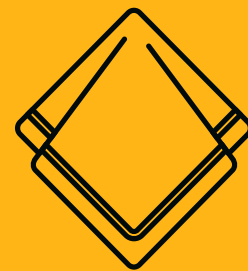
To help your child develop these skills encourage your child to:



Practise dressing and undressing by themselves including putting on their shoes.



Practise putting on and doing up their own coat.



Practise using a handkerchief properly.



Practise going to the toilet, then washing and drying their hands.



Please name ALL items of clothing. This will help children to recognise their name. e.g. Matthew Smith.



Please name and bring a water bottle everyday.

For ease in school we suggest marking shoes with your child's name and with a cross (X) on the inner side of both shoes. When they are put together correctly as a pair, the crosses are together.

Ensure all your child's belongings are clearly labelled, it makes their job of taking care of them so much easier.

The Pre-School Curriculum

Our Pre-School curriculum at Measham focuses on developing strong speaking and communication skills and our Early Years environment has many opportunities for this.

The curriculum we provide is based around four main themes:

- A Unique Child
- Positive Relationships
- Enabling Environments
- Learning and Development

Throughout their time in Pre-School, the staff will plan, work with and assess the children in 3 prime areas and 4 specific areas.

The 3 prime areas are:

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Communication and Language
- Physical Development

The 4 Specific areas are:

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

At the end of the year the Pre-School staff will work with EYFS staff to talk about next steps for your child and comment on the journey that they have been on in Pre-School. You will receive an end of year transition summary at the end of the year.



The Pre-School Environment

Our Pre-School is a bright, exciting, and engaging place to learn! Your child will have plenty of opportunities to explore, play, and discover at their own pace. Through carefully planned activities, we nurture their natural curiosity and love of learning.

Children also enjoy spending time in our wonderful outdoor area, where they can experiment with sand and water play, build and create in the construction zone, and explore many other hands-on learning experiences.



Sensory Play



Reading Area



Extensive Outdoor Play Area



Arts & Crafts

Photographs

We love to celebrate the wonderful things our children do at Pre-School and often capture these special moments in photos. Sometimes, we may wish to share these images on our school website, in newsletters, or in local newspaper articles to showcase our children's achievements and activities.

We ask parents and carers to give permission for how their child's photos can be used. You'll have the opportunity to choose exactly where you feel comfortable for images to be shared. Please be assured that we always use photographs thoughtfully and with the utmost care and professionalism.



Frequently Asked Questions



What time does Pre-School start and finish?

- The morning session starts at 8.45am and finishes at 11.45.
- The afternoon session starts at 12.15 and finishes at 3.15.
- We also run a lunch club for any children that are staying all day.
Please bring a nut-free packed lunch for your child on those days.



How do I collect my child at the end of the session?

- Follow the path around school and come in through a wooden gate into the Foundation Stage playground. We ask our parents to wait outside the Pre-School classroom door and school adults will release your children safely at the end of the day.
- Please ensure that if someone different is collecting your child, please let the school office and Pre-School staff know. In the interest of all children's safety we will not release children without having confirmation from a parent or carer.



How much do the sessions cost?

- Children that are 3 years old are entitled to 15 hours of Pre-School funding, please contact the school office for further information.
- Our sessions cost £4.65 an hour.



Will my child receive milk and fruit in school?

- Yes, all children will receive milk and fruit during the school day following parental agreement.

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Can my child bring toys into school?

- We ask children not to bring their own toys into school as they may get lost or broken. We have lots of exciting toys to play with in school. If your child would like to bring in a comfort toy, please let the Pre-School staff know.



Can I bring my pushchair or buggy into the classroom?

- We ask parents not to bring buggies and pushchairs into school, but to leave outside under the canopy.



When should I bring my child back after sickness?

- We ask that children stay off 24 hours after a bout of sickness or diarrhoea.



Can my child wear nail varnish, stick on tattoos and jewellery for school?

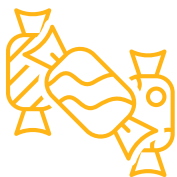
- We ask that children do not wear nail varnish in school.
- We ask that children do not wear stick on tattoos in school.
- We ask that children only wear plain stud earrings if they have pierced ears and no other jewellery.

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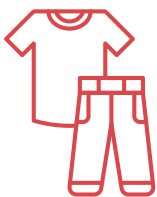
When I change my mobile number should I let the school know?

- We ask all parents to alert the office immediately of a change in mobile number as we may need to contact you in an emergency.



Can my child bring sweets in for their classmates on their birthday?

- Yes they can bring in sweets to share with their class. Please send nothing containing nuts as we are a nut-free school.



Should I provide a change of clothes/spare underwear for my child?

- Yes, we ask all parents to provide underwear and spare clothes for their child.



What uniform is required?

- Pre-School uniform will be available from the school office. Children are asked to wear a red polo shirt, a school cardigan/jumper and comfortable bottoms (trousers, skirts, leggings etc).
- Children should wear comfortable and appropriate shoes.

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Is there parking available?

- For obvious safety reasons we ask that parents do not enter the school grounds in a vehicle under any circumstances when collecting or dropping off their children.
- There is a car-park nearby in Peggs Close which is wisely used by many parents. Please be aware that the police do make spot checks to ensure that our parking is both safe and thoughtful to the people living near the school.



Do you have a Parents and Friends Association (PFA)?

- Our parents are very successful in supporting the school. They work hard to raise funds and are able to provide all sorts of things which contribute to the life of the school.
- Every parent is automatically a member of this association – you will be made very welcome at meetings and events. Details of meetings and forthcoming events will be included in school news letters. Some meetings are during the day and some are in the evening.



How do I communicate or contact the school?

- Each morning, at the start of the school day, we try to make the children our priority, as you would expect. If you would like to speak to the teacher, the end of the school day is the ideal time.
- If it is a matter of urgency either speak directly to the class teacher or come to the school office.
- In any emergency, please call the school office. We want to support you and your child's teacher in getting messages to the right place quickly.
- You can make an appointment to meet with Mr Izzard-Snape, Executive Headteacher to discuss matters of any kind.
- We will also be holding some parent support sessions to assist you in helping your children in their learning. Other information is provided through our school newsletter and school Facebook page.

Parents & School Working Together

We're really looking forward to working together with you to support your child's care, growth, and development. We love seeing and hearing from our parents and carers, and we truly value a close partnership between home and school. We'll keep in touch regularly to share all the wonderful learning that's happening in Pre-School.

We also love to hear about your child's achievements at home — whether it's earning a swimming certificate, riding their bike without stabilisers, or getting dressed all by themselves for the very first time! Every success, big or small, is worth celebrating.



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