

Our School Virtues

In the EYFS we focus on 5 virtues, helpfulness, confidence, kindness, determination and patience. We give out stickers to promote these virtues in the classroom. Each week we focus on a particular virtue and on a Friday we choose a child to take home the virtue teddy. This also forms part of our reward system and the class work as a team to fill our marble jar. Once the jar is full the children choose a class treat, which could be anything from a pyjama day to bringing in our bikes and scooters.



We encourage you to add observations of your child at home to enable us to share in their learning at home and at school. We will give you further information in September about how to

access the website.

In school we use Google classroom to communicate and update parents on what is going on in the classroom.

You will receive information on setting up your child's account in July.



Foundation Stage Profile and Parents' Evenings

Children will be assessed during the year on all areas of development. Staff will discuss children's progress with parents individually during parents' evenings throughout the year and an end of year report will be given out in July.

Attendance in September

There will be a gradual transition into school in September to help children settle into new routines and get used to the classroom environment in smaller groups.

Mon 5th Sept	Home visits	Mon 12th Sept	All nursery 1-3pm
Tues 6th Sept	INSET DAY	Tues 13th Sept	All nursery 1-3pm
Weds 7th Sept		Weds 14th Sept	Begin usual sessions
Thurs 8th Sept	All nursery 1-3pm	Thurs 15th Sept	Usual sessions
Fri 9th Sept	All nursery 1-3pm	Fri 16th Sept	Usual sessions



Welcome to Porthleven School Nursery 2022

The Early Years Foundation Stage at Porthleven School is made up of 2 classes in one big classroom called the Aquarium. This year the two classes will be mixed Reception and Nursery children. This enables us to have smaller class sizes and make good use of the whole classroom as well as our new outside learning space.



Nursery and Reception children will be in Angelfish Class with Mrs Trounson

Supported by Mrs Crayford



Nursery and Reception children will be in Rainbowfish Class with Mrs Wood

Supported by Mrs Bird



We will also have support from Miss Mitchell and Miss Evans.

We are currently finalising our plans and will let you know which class your child will be in as soon as possible.



Rainbowfish class will use the door on the infant playground to enter and exit the building.

Angelfish class will use the door in the EYFS garden to enter and exit the building.

Doors will open at **8.45am**, registration is at 8.55am.

EYFS children will finish school at **3.10pm**.

(Please note this is 5 minutes earlier than the rest of the school.)

Nursery Sessions are 9am - 12 or 12-3.10pm

Or a **full day** from 9am -3.10pm

All Reception children are currently entitled to Universal free school meals. There will be a selection of hot and cold options to choose from.

Nursery Children are able to order a school meal for £2.34.



Water is always available in the classroom. We have fruit for a morning snack which is provided by the governments 'Fruit and Vegetable Scheme'.

Milk is also available for children under 5 with the school milk scheme.

We have four house teams: **Cookworthy**, **Gibson**, **Methleigh**, and **Penrose**.

If children have older brothers and sisters in school they will be in the same house team. For families new to the school you will be informed of your child's house team.



The PE kit is: school jumper, black shorts; plimsols or trainers and a t-shirt in the house team colour.

Children will **come to school in their** PE kit in on their PE day. We will confirm our PE day at a later date.

From the 1st July school uniform will be available from Whirlwind Sports in Helston or online at

www.whirlwindsports.com/schools

The uniform is:

Black Shoes and grey or white socks/tights.

Blue fleece, sweatshirt or cardigan

Black/grey tailored trousers, skirt or pinafore.

Pale blue or white polo shirt or blouse.

Blue Check Summer Dress



Please name all items and update worn name labels.



Please could you supply wellies for your child for outdoor play.

Forest school sessions will take place weekly we will confirm days at a later date. Children need old, warm clothes and waterproofs if possible. We do have a limited number of waterproof jackets and trousers that we can supply if needed.



Reading

"Sharing a book with a child is fun - it's a time for closeness, laughing and talking together. It can also give children a flying start in life and help them become lifelong readers."

Booktrust.org

Reading with your child is so important and should be a fun activity. In September, all children will be able to bring home weekly library books for you to read to them at home.

If you read just **one** book a day to your child, they will have been read **1825** books by their 5th birthday.



Every Day Counts.

Every Book Counts.

Phonics

The nursery will begin by playing lots of games with rhymes, sounds, music and their voices. They will be learning to listen, and enjoying lots of stories and songs together.

The school teaches phonics using the Read, Write Inc scheme. There is a nursery element to this that will be introduced in the Summer term and we will give you further details when we're ready to start.

Nursery children will be introduced to Fred the Frog who helps children learn to blend. We play lots of games with Fred talk. This is when children hear the sounds c - a - t and can begin to identify the word cat.

