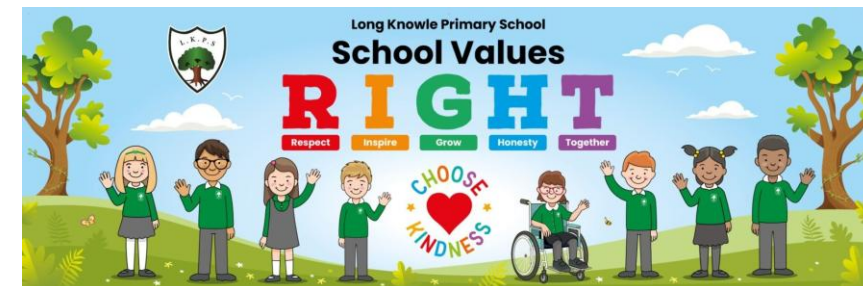




Welcome to Reception

September
2025

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Welcome To Long Knowle Primary School

Introductions to Staff- Who's who?

Starting school is a very special milestone. It's a new and exciting time in your child's new life.

They will make **new** friends, share **new** experiences, learn **new** skills and become more independent. It's also an emotional time for parents and carers. Our aim is to work in **partnership** to ensure that starting school is a positive experience for all involved.

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Preparing for school



To help your child prepare for school, you could:



Encourage them to dress and undress themselves.

Encourage them to use the toilet, wipe themselves and wash their hands.

Practice making marks with pencils, paint and sticks.

Practise snipping paper and spaghetti with scissors.

Complete jigsaws and play games that involve sharing.

Practise packing their school bag and the journey to school.

Share starting school stories together.

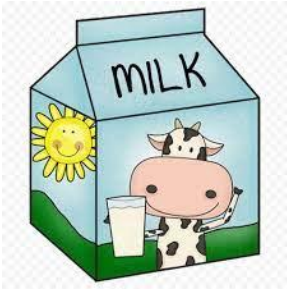


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What your child needs

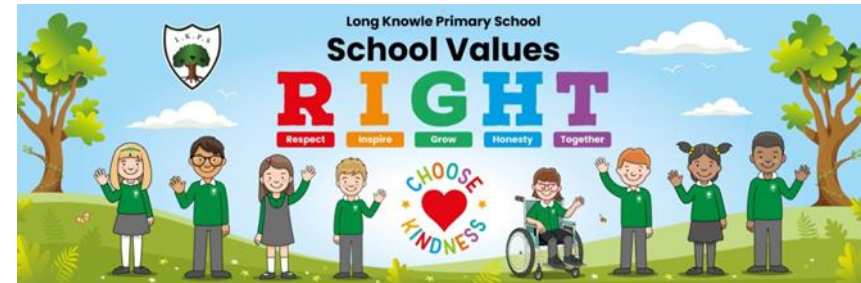


✓ We provide a clear plastic book bag –
You can also purchase a Long Knowle book bag on the school website if you wish.

✓ PE kit (please put name inside)

✓ A named water bottle. Children will also be able to have milk and fruit at snack time.

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School Uniform

- ✓ Green sweatshirt or cardigan with logo
- ✓ Grey school-style trousers or grey skirt or grey shorts (summer)
- ✓ Plain white or logo green polo shirt
- ✓ Green checked dress (summer)
- ✓ Black, white or grey socks/tights, black shoes.
- ✓ Dark green or black hair ribbon/bobble/hair band.



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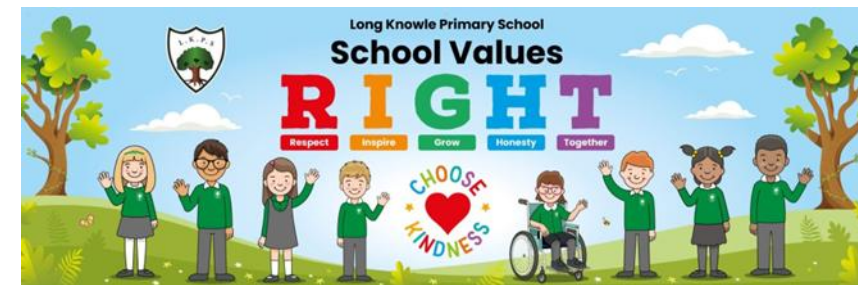




School Uniform – PE kit

- ✓ PE kit can be worn on PE days
- ✓ Children can wear their school jumper or cardigan on top.
- ✓ Black or navy-blue shorts, plain white tee shirt (without logo, not a football shirt), black pumps.
- ✓ In colder weather children may bring in a plain black or navy track suit. Trainers can be brought in for outdoor PE lessons.
- ✓ Long hair must be tied up for PE – please provide a bobble
- ✓ NO earrings in on PE days
- ✓ We do have pre-loved uniform for a small cost

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The Reception School Day

Is very flexible!





A typical school day

Morning Session

8.40-8:45am- Reception Door will be open and children will hang up their coats and start their morning work.

8:50 onwards - register taken and lunch choices

9.00am- Maths meeting eg The date, quick daily maths recap

9.15am - Phonics Input

9.40am-9.50am-English input

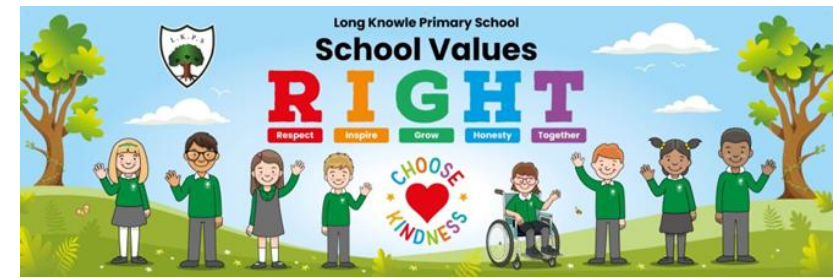
09.50-10.00am Snack

10am-11.30am Child Initiated Learning-
Indoor/Outdoor Free Flow
Teacher Directed Activities

11.30am-11.45am Maths mastery/Singing/Toilet Routine

11.45am-12.45pm- Lunch Time

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School Lunches

- Every child is entitled to a free school dinner. Our school meals are nutritious and children have a choice of:
 - Hot meal – vegetarian or not
 - Jacket potato with cheese or beans
 - Choice of sandwiches
 - Pudding or fruit
- However, if your child prefers a packed lunch, you can provide this also.
- Please use the QR code in your pack to order your child's lunch



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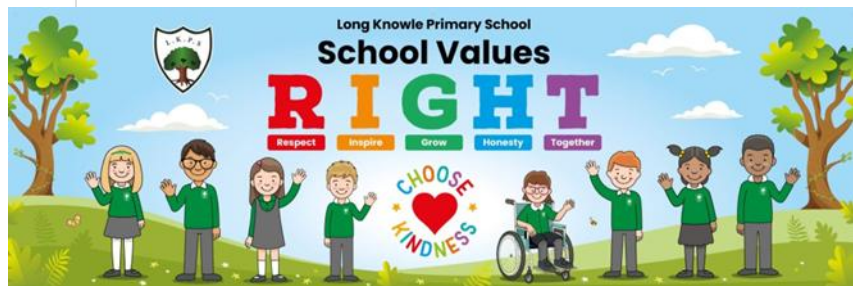
Afternoon Session



- 12.45pm-1.00pm- Registration
- 1.00-1.20 Power Maths input
- 1.20- 1.40pm- Topic/Physical Development/Music
- 1.40pm-2.45pm Child Initiated Learning- Indoor Outdoor Free Flow

- Teacher Directed Activities
- 2.45pm-3.10pm PSED time. Home time routine.
- 3.15pm-Home Time

- Please be prompt when picking up your child at the end of the day. If your reception child has older siblings, we ask that you pick your reception child up first.



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There are 7 areas of learning that shape the educational programme provided for Early Years. They are all equally important and are interconnected.

Communication and Language
Personal Social and Emotional Literacy
Literacy
Mathematics
Creative Development
Understanding the World
Physical Development



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How will the children learn in Reception?

Children learn through play.

Play is their work.

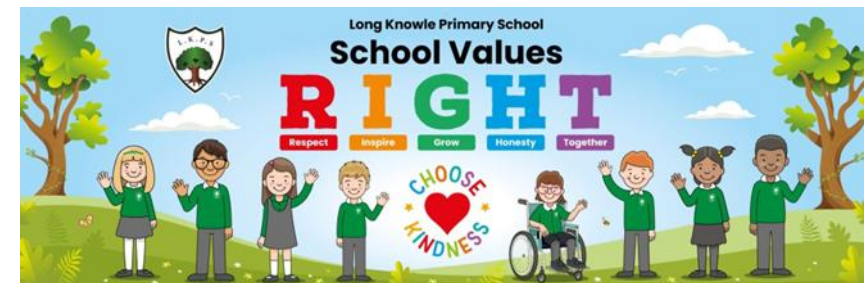


Children absorb new information and concepts if learning is presented through fun, creative, exploratory experiences.

Learning is personalised, considering their interests and needs.



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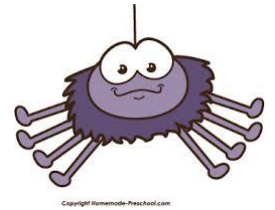
Supporting Learning at Home



Spend time together!



Share their home reading book at least three times a week for at least 10 minutes.



Practise their sounds and high frequency words.



Practise counting and singing number songs.

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Sharing Information



You can contribute to your child's learning profile

Please tell us what your child is learning to do outside of school, their interests and how they are developing day by day.



How?

We will send home 'WOW' notes for our new 'WOW' display. By emailing us using our reception email - More information in September.

Jot it on a post-it note. Or tell us at the door.



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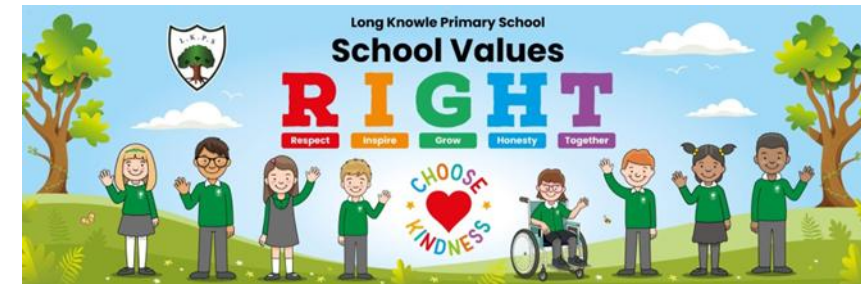


Sharing Information

- Open door policy- staff are available at the beginning and at the end of the day. (Please let staff dismiss all children safely at the end of the day)
- We use Microsoft Sway to share our newsletter
- We send emails and text reminders. Please keep all details up to date and let the office know when things change.



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Attendance

- It is important your child attends school every day.
- If they are not well enough to come to school – please ring/email the school office as soon as possible – preferably by 9:00am
- We will text or contact to find out where your child is.
- Part of our safeguarding role as a school.
- Keep school updated.



Attendance – Leave of absence



- Mrs Green is our Attendance officer
- If your child has a medical appointment – please let office staff know. We ask for an appointment letter/card – this is to update our registers.
- Leave of absence – any leave of absence request (including holidays) require a form to be completed.
- They are not granted but they enable school to know if your child will not be in school on a certain date.





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Supporting Families- Ms Roberts

- Sometimes we know that things can be tough.
- Things can go wrong and sometimes families and children need support.
- Family Support
- Ms Roberts can offer support for families and children in school.
- Please talk to us as a school so we can offer support to your child and family.



FOLK- Friends of Long Knowle

- We have a very active parent and carers 'Friends of' group at Long Knowle. We are like a PTA where we run events to help fundraise.
- If you would like to be part of the FOLK group please let Mrs Tew know at the end of the session.
- We have parents from all year groups. If you can only help on some occasions that is fine too!
- It is a great way to meet other parents. They are all very friendly :-)
- Sign up to easyfundraising- info in pack



— Any questions?

- Staff are around at the end of the meeting to speak to you if you have any questions.
- Final stay and play for transition.
- Current reception children and new to Long Knowle children will be invited to another stay and play on
 - Thursday 10th July 9-10am.
- Nursery will move up during their session and we will email new to school parents for confirmation of attendance.