

# SS Peter & Paul RC Primary School

Nursery Parents Induction Meeting  
2020



# Aims of the Session

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- Share the ethos of SS Peter and Paul Primary School
- Meet members of staff
- Learn more about the curriculum your child will follow
- Find out arrangements for your child starting nursery school
- View the nursery environment if you wish too.

# **SS Peter & Paul RC Primary School Mission Statement**

We would like everyone involved in the life of our school to explore and promote God's values so that everything that happens in our school demonstrates God's love for everyone.

Together with the Spirit we will create an oasis where every child matters.

## About Our School

We are a Roman Catholic primary school that has been established in Tyne Dock since 1889. The present school was built in the late 1960's.

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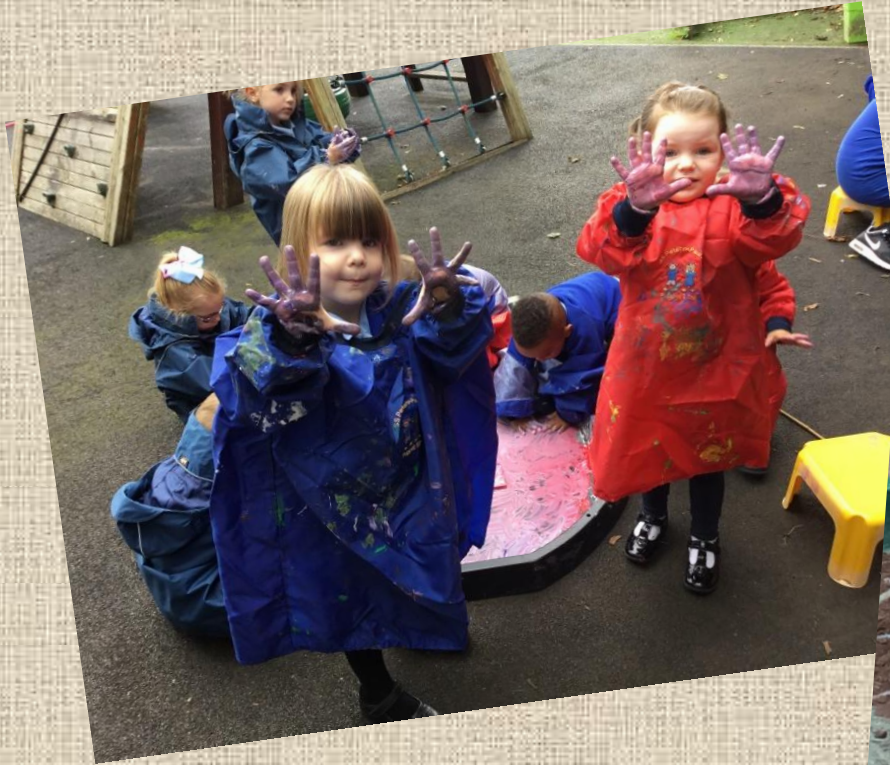
We are a close-knit family school with a developing Pastoral System to help your child and the school's staff to grow together in a positive and caring way. We have many links with the parish and the parents. *We encourage you to be actively involved in your child's education.*

*Ss Peter and Paul School is a voluntary-aided parish school which means that it is supported, pastorally and financially by the church going people of our Parish.*

Parents who do send their child to a Catholic school do so because they desire for the children to have not only a good secular education, but also a meaningful, spiritual and moral education.

We expect parents who send their children to our school to be in sympathy with our ethos.

# Nursery Class



# What is the Early Years Foundation Stage (E.Y.F.S)?

- The E.Y.F.S. is the stage of education for children from birth to the end of the Reception year.
- It is based on the recognition that children learn best through play and active learning.

It is developed around 4 themes that underpin the EYFS

A Unique Child- Observe what a child is learning

Positive Relationships- What adults can do

Enabling Environments- What adults could provide

Learning and Developing- Children's achievements through the above

## Religious Education

R.E. is taught in accordance with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle's agreed syllabus. This is the new **COME and SEE** Religious Education Scheme. As a community we regularly celebrate Mass and the children prepare class liturgies and religious-based assemblies.



To equip our children to take their role in today's society we ensure that all elements of our children's development are incorporated into our R.E. curriculum and school ethos. (Social Moral Spiritual and Cultural) We ensure that children have an awareness and appreciation of other world religions.



Parents have the right to withdraw their child from collective worship. However as parents have made a conscious decision to send their child to a Roman Catholic school the Governors do not see parents wishing to take up this option.



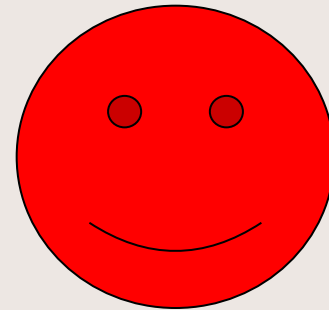
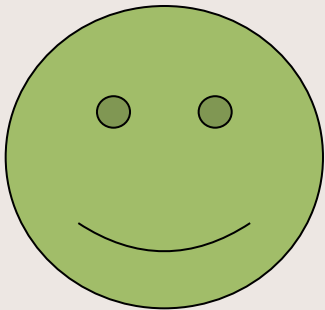
# Safeguarding - Child Protection

- Designated Safeguarding Lead- Mrs M Butt
- Deputy Designated Lead- Mrs P Wetherelt

Follow legislation 'Keeping Children Safe in Education' (updated in 2016)

## **Behaviour Policy**

Positive Behaviour strategies



# Induction into Nursery

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## Home visits

- We offer home visits as part of our induction into nursery. This helps the children meet staff in an environment they are comfortable in.
- Very informal so please don't worry.
- Children are more at ease during their stay and play visit and upon starting at nursery as they can relate back to seeing staff at their home

Home visits for September 2020 starters are a little different this year due to COVID-19. This year, we will be doing Virtual Home visits and asking you to complete forms online.

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## Stay and play visits

- Parents/carers stay with their child for the visit.
- We recommend staying around 45mins to an hour
- Chance to meet the staff/other children.
- Opportunity to ask any questions or raise concerns.
- Time to explore the Nursery with your child

Due to Covid-19, we are unable to offer stay and play sessions in the way that we usually would.

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## First Week

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September

- We do a gradual intake so children aren't overwhelmed in their first few days.
- Your start date will be arranged with you during your Virtual Home Visit.
- Children accessing 30 hours will be phased into nursery at a pace they are comfortable with.

# What can you do to help your child's learning when they begin school?

- Sharing books every day, talking about the pictures, guessing what happens next, talking about the characters etc.
- Encourage any kind of mark making, shopping lists etc.
- Encourage children to talk about anything and everything.
- Practise counting at any time-climbing the stairs, shopping, insects etc
- Play simple board games/jigsaws.
- Sing number rhymes and songs together.
- Support any homework that comes home- reading, sounds and number work

# Uniform

- Royal blue sweatshirt with the school badge (optional)
- Light blue polo shirt (badge is optional)
- Grey school trousers/jogging bottoms/leggings/skirts or pinafore.
- Sensible footwear- trainers are fine for Nursery. We recommend Velcro shoes as we encourage children to be independent in self care from the very beginning.
- In the summer light blue gingham dresses or shorts can be worn with the blue polo top.

Children are **NOT** allowed to wear **ANY** jewellery.

Wearing an Elastoplast to cover jewellery is **not an option**.

Please ensure that **all items of clothing are labelled** with your child's name on (Very important).



# The First Few Days ...

There can be a lot to remember in the first few days, but please do not worry as your child will quickly be teaching you the routines!  
The main ones to remember to help you out.

**ALL CLOTHING  
NAMED!**

**A BAG OF  
SPARE  
CLOTHES/SHOES.**

**A WATER  
BOTTLE TO BE  
BROUGHT  
EVERYDAY.**



# Other matters

- Please let us know if someone different is collecting your child.
- Morning session is 8:50-11:50. Afternoon session is 12:20-3:30.
- Children accessing 30 hour provision bring a packed lunch and there is a charge of £2 per day.  
Lunch time is 11:50-12:20 and children eat in the main school hall.

## Medical

- Any sickness, diarrhoea, must be followed by at least **48 hours absence**.
- Head lice are common! Please check regularly and treat as recommended.
- Any absence requires a telephone call to the school office by 9:15am

# Assessment and Reporting

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In Nursery and Reception we use the assessment and reporting app, 'Evidence Me' to record and share the children's learning.

This enables us to capture significant moments of learning in the children's lives, to monitor their development, and create reports to share their progress.

As parents you will be connected to the app and will be able to see the observations being made in the setting. More importantly you will be able to add your own from home which is extremely valuable to us in learning more about your child.

As part of the induction process you will be invited to set up the 'Evidence Me' app at home.



Thank you  
We look forward to a happy  
partnership in your child's first year  
at nursery and beyond.

