

St. Andrew's Early Years Induction Reception

2nd July 2026



Welcome to St. Andrew's



Head Teacher - Mrs James
Deputy Head - Mrs Clay
SENDCO - Mrs Davies
Vicar - Mrs Owen
Early Years Lead – Mrs Platt

Our Foundation Stage Team

Staff (ratio 1:12)

TEACHERS

- Miss Crowe Teacher
- Mrs Silcock Teacher

TEACHING ASSISTANTS

- Mrs Drakeley HLTA
- Miss Parkinson Teaching Assistant
- Miss Ward Teaching Assistant
- Mr Pollard Teaching Assistant (Friday)

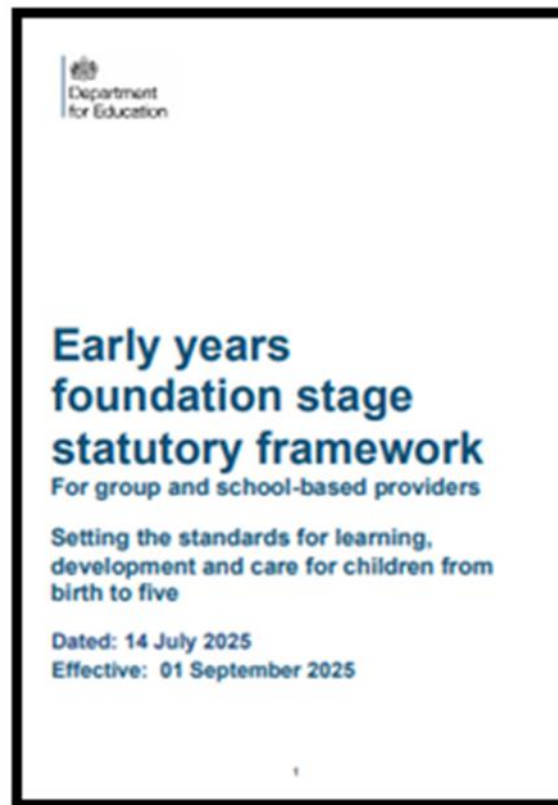
Our School

- Ethos
- OFSTED/Standards
- FSM/UIFSM
- Attendance
- Concerns



The Early Years Curriculum

- ‘The Early Years Foundation Stage’ – birth to 5 years



7 areas of learning

PRIME AREAS

- **Communication and Language**

Listening and Attention and Understanding
Speaking

- **Physical Development**

Gross Motor Skills
Fine Motor Skills

- **PSED**

Self Regulation
Managing Self
Building Relationships

SPECIFIC AREAS

- **Literacy**

Comprehension

Word Reading

Writing

- **Mathematics**

Number

Numerical Patterns

- **Understanding the World**

Past and Present

People, Culture and Communities

The Natural World

- **Expressive Arts and Design**

Creating With Materials

Being Imaginative and Expressive

READ, READ, READ!



**“Education is the Most
Powerful weapon
which you can use to
change the world.”**

Nelson Mandela



The Importance of Play

“Scientists have recently determined that it takes approximately 400 repetitions to create a new synapse in the brain – unless it is done with play, in which case, it takes between 10 and 20 repetitions.”

Dr Karyn Purvis

A Typical Reception Day



Special Events





Uniform and Other Essentials

- Girls – white blouse/shirt and tie, navy pinafore/skirt, school jumper/cardigan, white socks/navy tights, black shoes. Summer light blue gingham dresses after Easter
- Boys – white shirt and tie, grey trousers, school jumper, grey socks, black shoes. Summer white shirt and tie, grey tailored shorts
- Navy fleece (outdoor only)
- A named P.E. bag – black pumps, navy shorts (summer)
- A book bag (for all children) – not a rucksack – key rings
- A pair of wellingtons, coat, sun hat or cap
- No water bottles





Religious Education

- Church – Vicar Karen Owen
- ‘Golden thread’
- Prayer – Reflection areas
- Assemblies
- Ethos: gospel values, golden words, kind hands, kind mouths, kind feet



Supporting your child when starting school...

- Transition information – All About Me and Here I Come
- Meet your teacher forms – talk about us and the school
- Support the development of independence skills (handout)
- Transition mornings
- First Day at St. Andrew's – Reception full day
(Nursery teacher will be with them for first three mornings)
- Lining up behind the line outside Reception
- Welcome video on website
- Working wall



PTA



Important Future Dates



Reading, Writing and Assessment Meeting

Tuesday 13th October 2026

6pm – 7pm

Finally...



- Early Years Fund pays for additional snacks and resources - £35 year
- Birthdays – book – no lollies
- Homework – Reception
- Website – PWP
- School App - texts
- Questions?
- Visit to classroom with new teacher – prospectus for new parents

Thank-you!