

Archibald First School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Full time Nursery Place

We are so excited to be able to tell you a little more about what school and Nursery will look like in September.

Following the recent government guidelines Early years will look slightly different to the way we would normally run. However, our focus will continue to be about having a happy, fun and stimulating place to learn.

Unfortunately, we will be unable to run as a big Early Years Unit, instead we will be forming two separate bubbles of children, one of solely Nursery children and one of solely Reception children.

Nursery children will use half of the unit and Reception children will use the other half. They will not mix. However, both sets of children will have access to a range of indoor and outdoor learning opportunities which support the 7 areas of learning for the EYFS curriculum. We will have a strong emphasis on PSED, settling in and making new friends.

Due to the current COVID19 situation we are putting in place a one way system around the school grounds. This is for all of the children and their parents. Start and finish times of the school day need to be staggered in order to reduce the amount of people on site at any one time. We ask that children are brought to and collected from school by one adult only.

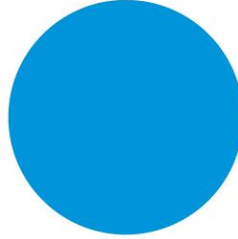
During the settling in period Nursery children will need to arrive and depart through the school main office entrance and/or the large black Nursery gate.

Please find information about your child's first visit and their phasing in arrangements for Nursery on the next page, these are slightly adapted timings from the original ones we sent out with your pack. We are also in the process of putting a video on Tapestry to help you to understand the different ways in and out of school. You will find maps and other year group videos available on our school website too.

This is the phasing in for September 2020 and will not suit the needs of every child. The phasing into school nursery experience is very important and it is vital that we get this right for **your** child. Therefore, we will see how the children go and discuss any necessary changes with you.

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Nursery children need a water bottle daily and a suitable coat. The children will be having their lunch within the Early Years classroom supervised by Mrs Hewitt and Mrs Yule. They will need a home packed lunch or they can have a school packed lunch. Unfortunately, no hot school dinners will be available for Nursery children in the Autumn term.

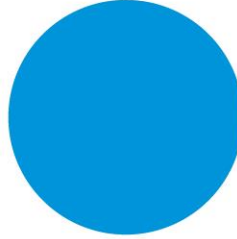
We know this is a lot of information to take in and we hope the videos on Tapestry will help to make things a little clearer, however, if you do have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to get in touch.

We thank you for your time and cooperation.

Yours Sincerely
Mrs Nelson, Mrs Watson and Mrs Ward

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Updated 2020 Nursery Phasing In Arrangements

First session:

1 hour - Tuesday 8th September 12.15-1.15pm
(Enter and Exit via school Main School Office)

Second session:

Wednesday 9th September 12.45-2.45pm
(Enter via Main School Office – Exit via Nursery black gate)

Half days:

Thursday 10th September 8.45am – 11.15am
(Enter via Nursery black gate – Exit via Main School Office)

Half day with lunch:

Friday 11th September 8.45am – 12.15pm
(Enter via Nursery black gate – Exit via Main School Office)

Full sessions start:

Monday 14th September

(Enter and Exit via Nursery black gates)

Nursery full time pattern from then on:

Monday to Friday - 8.45am -2.45pm

(Enter and Exit via Nursery black gates)

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