

# St. Giles' C.E. Primary School



Welcome Pack- for Reception Parents

# Welcome to St. Giles' Church of England Primary School

St Giles' is a special place where the staff are dedicated to providing a stimulating, exciting environment where everyone feels valued and safe, ideas can flourish and pupils can realise their full potential.

By providing a well-structured and engaging curriculum, and by promoting good behaviour through our Christian ethos, we aim to enthuse in all children a love of learning as well as respect and care for each other.

We aim to ensure your child thrives at St Giles' C.E. Primary, feeling safe, having fun and enjoying success. We want our pupils' time in school to be memorable, build on what they know and can do as well as help them become lifelong learners. We highly value the partnership between home, school and church and encourage all parents to take an active part in the education of their children. The school cannot work in isolation.

We look forward to welcoming you and your child to our school.

Mr M Dakin

Headteacher



# September 2020

Your child will attend full time school from

**Monday 7th September.**

Your child is entitled to a free school meal.

We strongly encourage your child to have a free school meal .

**They will need:**

- A change of clothes in a named bag in case of accidents (socks, pants, trousers, top) **Autumn Term only.**
- A book bag which is available to purchase at the school office. Bring this to school every day.
- A P.E bag/ rucksack containing a named white t-shirt, black shorts, black pumps. In cold weather please provide your child with plain black jogging bottoms. PE bags are available to purchase at the school office.

**Please label all items of clothing for your child.**



# School Hours

## Start of the School Day Nursery/Reception

School gates are opened at **8.30am** for you to accompany your child into the Reception classroom. We would like all children in school by **8.45am**.

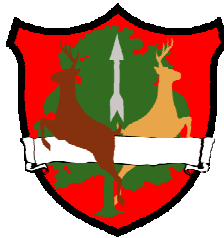
If the gates have been closed, please take your child to the school office entrance.

## End of the School Day Reception

School gates are opened at **3.15pm** - Please collect your child from the Reception classroom.

If you have any questions please speak to the Reception staff. If you would like a longer conversation with your child's class teacher please make an appointment at the school office. This ensures the teaching of your child is not compromised and quality time can be given to answer your questions fully.

# School Contact Information



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## Absences



If your child is absent from school, please ensure you contact the school office by **no later than 9:00am** to confirm the reason.

This will need to be done for **each day** they are absent.

You can leave a message on the school absence line by dialling 01902 368308 and then press 1.

Please note: If your child is absent for more than 3 days, you will need to provide medical evidence in the form of an appointment card, medication label or Pharmacy First Card etc.



### What if I need someone else to collect my child(ren)

If your child needs to be collected by someone else, you need to contact the school office by no later than 2:30pm. We will need you to provide the name of the person collecting and this person will need to sign a form upon collection of the child(ren).



# Lunch Time

We are committed to providing healthy, well balanced and varied meals and actively encourage children to try new things. All children in Reception will be able to have a hot meal **FREE of charge**.

Alternatively, your child can bring along a packed lunch and a drink in a named lunchbox. Copies of the school menu will be sent out during the school year.



# Snack Time

Each day your child will have a carton of milk and a piece of fruit. We also have a water fountain so that your child can access fresh water throughout the day.

# Welcome to Early Years



Beginning school is a major event in the life of a four year old and it won't be long before your child will be starting with us in Reception. There will be lots of new things to learn and of course you will want to ensure that your child is well prepared for this important event. We aim to make it a happy and memorable experience. We hope this booklet will provide some useful information that will help your child settle quickly into school.



# School Uniform

This is our school uniform:



| Girls:   | Boys:  |
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| School sweatshirt with logo or a plain red jumper/cardigan<br>White blouse or polo shirt<br>Grey or black skirt/tights/trousers or Red/white checked dress for the summer  | School sweatshirt with logo or a plain red jumper<br>White shirt<br>Grey or black trousers |
| P.E Kit  |  |
| Plain white t-shirt<br>Black PE shorts<br>Black PE pumps/ trainers<br>PE bags are available to purchase at the school office.<br><br>For outdoor PE children are encouraged to wear a plain blue/black tracksuit |  |

Please label all items of uniform

# 'Learning Together, Growing Together'



## Early Years aims to;

- Provide a safe, secure and caring environment where your child feels valued.
- Encourage your child to build relationships with other children and adults.
- Provide opportunities for your child to be confident to develop as an individual.
- Provide a secure foundation for your child preparing them for their future school years and life.



# Reception Staff



Miss Siviter



Miss Smith



Mrs Ward



Mrs Murphy

# The Learning Journey

Assessment in Reception is an on- going process and we note children's achievements throughout the year to build up a 'profile' of your child in a Learning Journey.



We would hope that you would share any achievements with us, however small you feel they may be. For example, taking part in swimming lessons or other out of school activities, learning to do up their coat, going to sleep on their own or eating all of their dinner. All of these small steps are part of their Learning Journey. Help yourself to our 'WOW' stars throughout the year. For every 'WOW' returned your child earns a certificate.

# Curriculum

We follow the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum which covers **3 prime areas of learning**



1. Communication and Language

2. Personal, social and emotional development



3. Physical development

**And 4 specific areas of learning**

Mathematics

Literacy

Expressive Arts and Design

Understanding of the World

The Reception year is the final year of the foundation stage. The foundation stage year is about learning through play with a mixture of adult led and child choice activities to develop all areas of the curriculum.

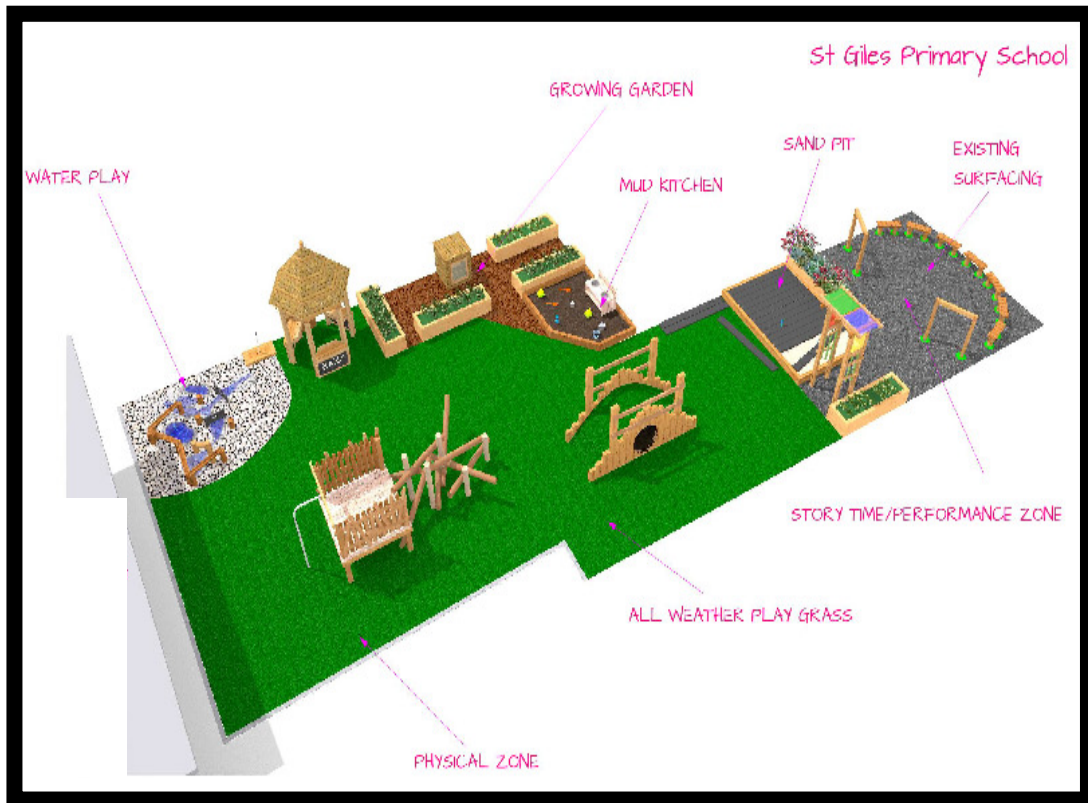
During the year we also plan and develop activities linked to the interests of the children in the class. This helps to inspire and encourages the children to learn as we develop their own interests and ideas.

You can find more information about the **Early Years Foundation Stage** at [www.foundationyears.org.uk](http://www.foundationyears.org.uk). The foundation years website also includes a range of resources and contacts.



# The Outdoor Classroom

We love to be outside as much as possible so you will need to remember a few things...



On sunny days your child will need a sun hat (only school logo hats to be worn). Please apply a high factor sun cream before your child comes to school.



On colder days your child will need to bring a woolly hat (non-designer/branded and of a single colour) scarf and gloves. We will provide all in one waterproofs and wellingtons.

# Working Together

All the fun activities that you do with your child at home are important in supporting their learning and development, and have a really long lasting effect on your child's learning as they progress through school. If you make the time every day to do some of the following things with your child it will make a real difference to your child's confidence as a young learner.



Staff can also give you advice about the kind of books or other activities your child might enjoy in Reception.

We also send home a termly newsletter so you know what your child will be learning about. You will also be invited for special celebrations.

The children will bring home tasks to do at home. Book Bags, that are available from the office, are useful to transport materials back and forth.

# Staying Safe and Happy

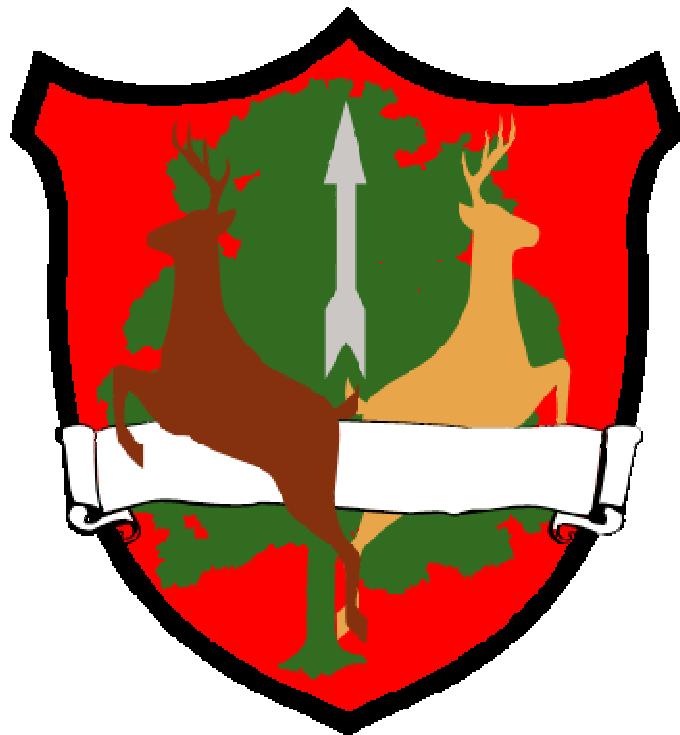
When you leave your child in reception you need to be fully confident that they will be safe. Please help us by following a few simple rules:

- Jewellery should not be worn as this can easily get caught on equipment and cause serious injury to a child.
- No smoking on the school premises.
- Parking- You can park in a side street near school or the Wakes Ground car park.
- If you need to collect your child during the school day please inform a member Staff in our school office.



I'm happy because I'm safe

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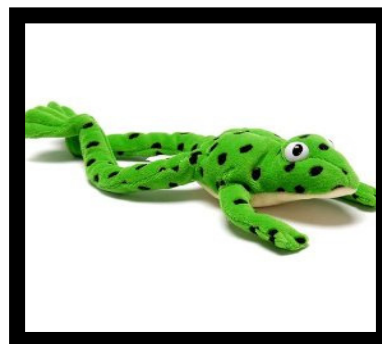


Welcome Pack- for Reception Children



# Welcome Pack- for Children

Hi my name is Fred and you will meet me in Reception.



Our outdoor learning area...

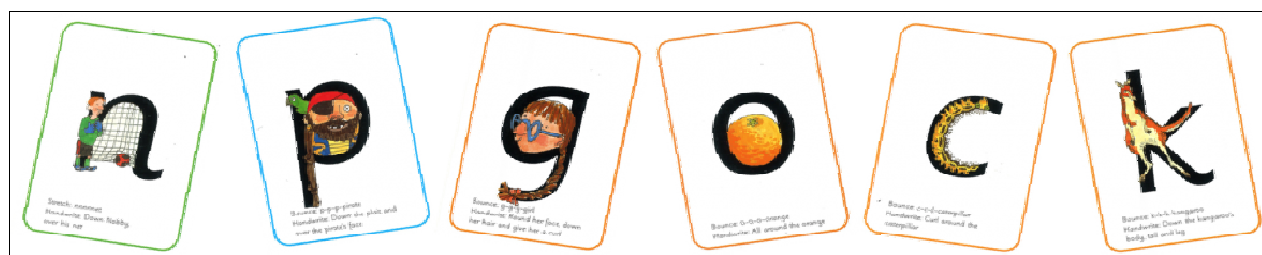


Our indoor learning areas...





# Letter Sounds



m a s d t  
i n p g o  
c k u b  
f e l h s h r  
j v y w  
th z ch qu x ng nk



# Letter Formation

a b c d e f











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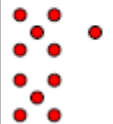


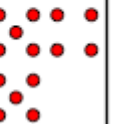
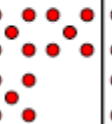
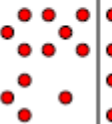
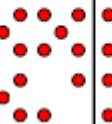
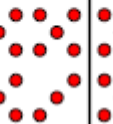
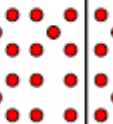
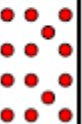
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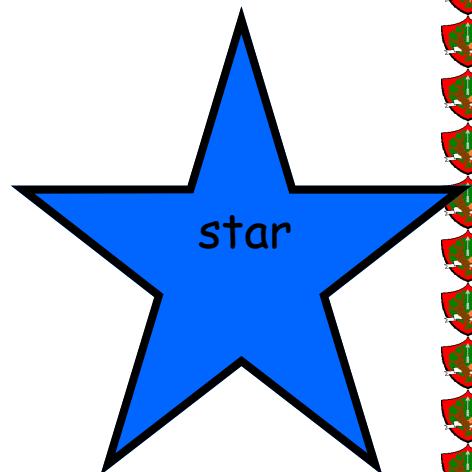
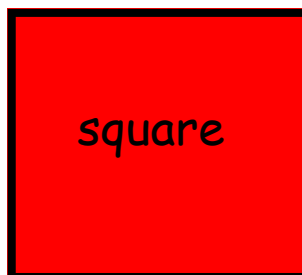
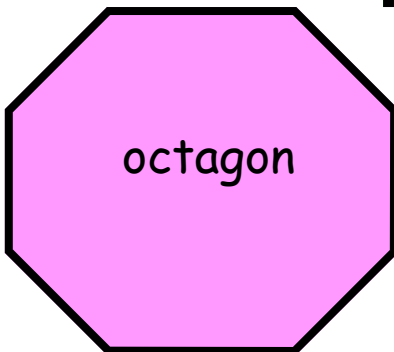
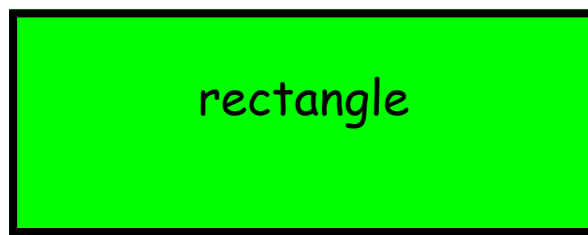
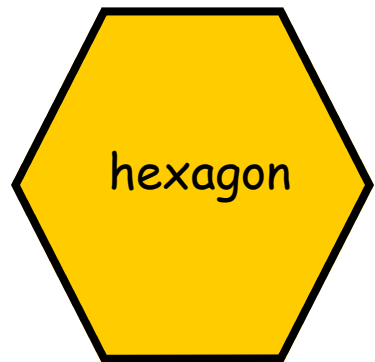
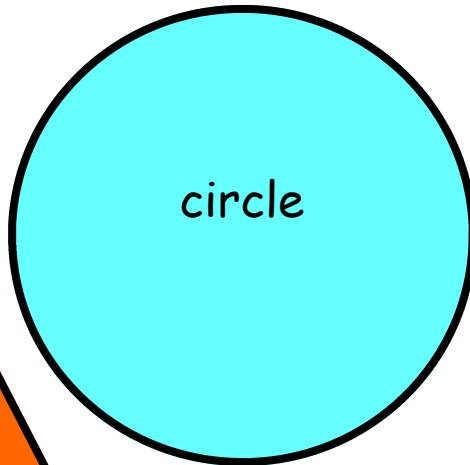
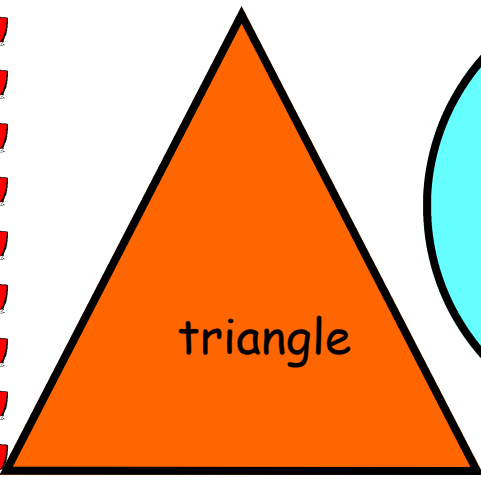
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# Mathematics

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# Number formation


Practise forming all numbers standing up, so children can use their forefinger and whole arm to 'write' the number in the air. Progress to the smaller movements required before write on paper.


|   | Rhyme to the tune of Skip to my Lou.                               |
|---|--|
| 0 | From the top, go all the way round.<br>To make the number zero,    |
| 1 | Go straight down and that it all.<br>To make the number one,       |
| 2 | Swing it round and then go right.<br>To make the number two,       |
| 3 | Swing it round and then once more.<br>To make the number three.    |
| 4 | Down, slide, cut in half.<br>To make the number four.              |
| 5 | Down, round, put on a hat.<br>To make the number five,             |
| 6 | Come on down and make a curl.<br>To make the number six.           |
| 7 | Slide to the right and slant on down.<br>To make the number seven, |
| 8 | Make a S and go straight home.<br>To make the number eight.        |
| 9 | Make a loop and come straight down.<br>To make the number nine,    |


# Colour by numbers

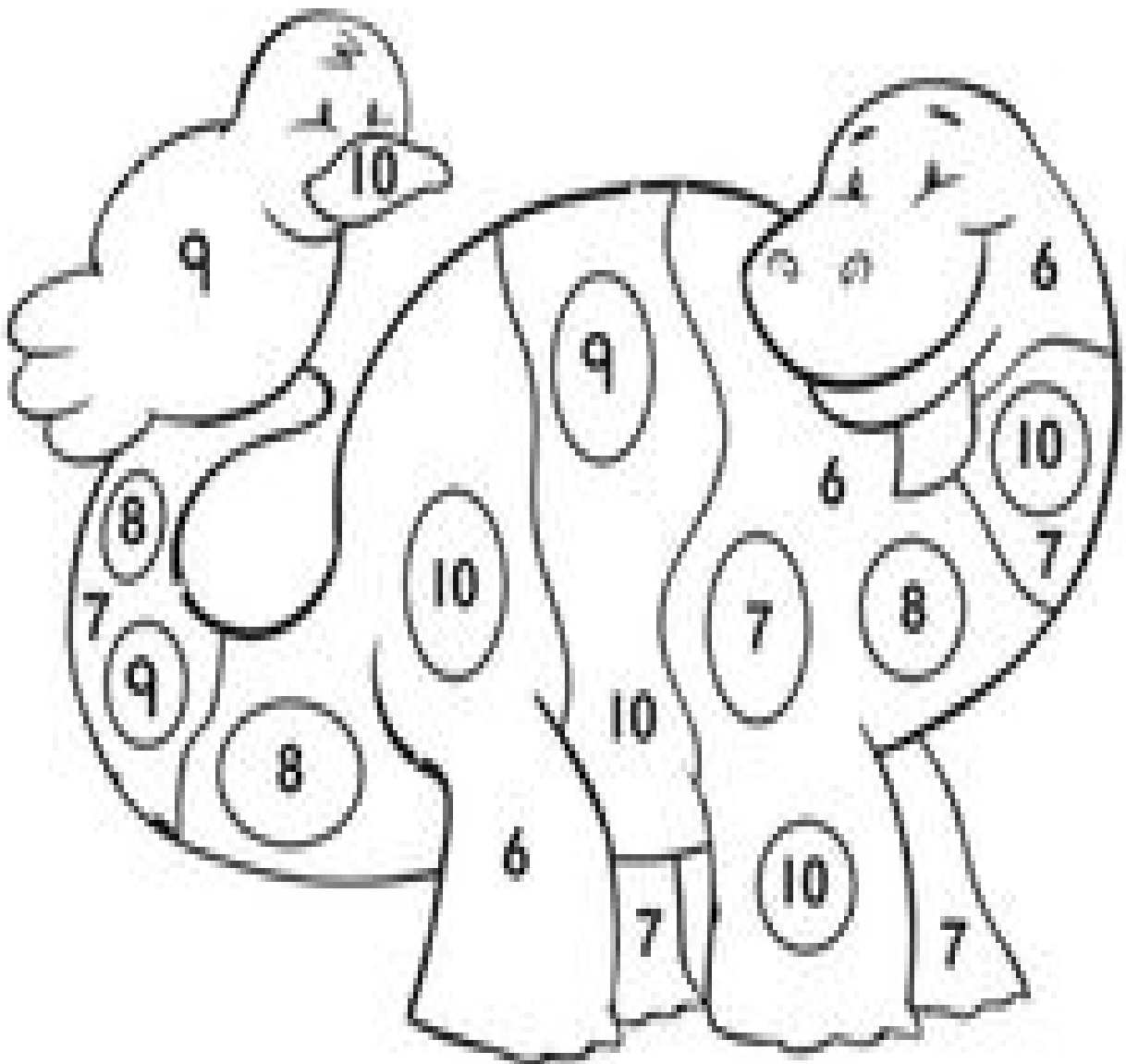
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# Cut along the dots

