

Starting School Quick Checker for EYFS

What I need to know	How will this look for my child and I?
How do I access the school site in the morning?	<p>Please enter the school site via the main gate at the front of the school.</p> <p>You must enter the site via the green EYFS gates. A member of staff will be on the gate to help you and there are signs to show you where you need to go. You will then go directly to the Red Doors by your child's class to meet school staff.</p>
What time do I need to arrive?	<p>Please don't arrive before 8:35am.</p> <p>Class teachers will open the doors from 8:40am until 9:10am</p>
What if my child becomes upset when I leave?	<p>We will ensure that transition into school is as smooth and calm as possible. Sometimes, your child may be less keen to come into the classroom. In this case, a member of staff will be there to support you.</p> <p>The area near our story shed is a 'settle zone' if your child is distressed before drop off.</p> <p>We will always call you after to reassure you that your child is doing ok.</p>
What should I do if we arrive late?	<p>If you arrive after 9:10am, you will need to bring your child to the main school office and sign them in on our online signing in system.</p>
What is expected of me as a parent when I am on the school site?	<p>We request that you enter and leave the school site as quickly as possible. Please don't stay on the playground to chat with friends as we need to keep the flow of families moving during drop off and pick up times. Please observe social distancing wherever possible.</p>
Will I need to wear a face covering when I drop my child off?	<p>You are welcome to wear a face covering when on the school site and <u>must</u> wear one if you enter the school building.</p> <p>At present, children are not required to wear face coverings.</p>
What should I do if I have a question or message for the teacher?	<p>Please call the school office to pass on messages. The teacher will get back to you during the day.</p> <p>All urgent messages will take priority and you will be contacted by a member of our office team</p>
What will my child need to bring with them?	<p>You child will only need to bring a water bottle and a school book bag.</p>

	Please do not bring large rucksack style bags. A PE kit must be kept in school.
Will the school provide my child with a lunch?	We provide a hot school meal every day. You are welcome to bring a packed lunch if you know your child won't eat the lunch option but we would prefer the school meal option if at all possible.
Can I leave the school site from the front entrance?	No. We will be running a 1 way system and everyone MUST leave from the back gate at the back of the school.
What time must I arrive at school at the end of the day?	Please don't arrive before 2:45pm. Teachers will open the classroom doors from 2:50pm until 3:10pm
What do I need to do if my child is unwell?	Please phone the school office on the morning of the first absence. If the absence is Covid-19 related, please follow the Covid Quick Checker.

If you have any queries or questions, please call the school on 01376 323071

Or email head@johnrayinfants.essex.sch.uk to speak to Mrs Mills

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