

EYFS School Readiness and Transition Policy

Parents Partnerships

Working in partnership with parents is central to the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS). Here at Moss Valley, we value the importance of parental involvement in your child's learning journey. We believe that a successful education is a result of collaborative enterprise between parents, staff & children. Parents are the most influential people in children's lives, therefore sharing information on your child's learning and development is crucial in the progress they make. Throughout the year, parents/carers will be invited to a number of meetings to discuss their child's learning targets. Parents will also be involved in termly parent meetings, where Teachers will discuss progress and next steps.

Nursery and Reception Workshops

- School Readiness Parent Welcome Meeting – key information on supporting the prime areas of learning
- Bed Time Story Workshop – Maximising reading experiences at home
- Stay and Play Sessions – Enjoy planned activities with your child in their classroom
- Messy Mathematics Workshop – Supporting children with early number & shape

Meet the Teacher Morning

During the summer term, children in Nursery and Reception will be invited to spend the morning in their exciting new classroom. Children can meet their new teachers, friends and explore their new classroom.

EYFS Graduation

Towards the end of the summer term, reception children will be invited to an EYFS graduation, where they will celebrate their own achievements in EYFS and welcome the next chapter of their journey into the National Curriculum. Parents/carers also have the opportunity to meet their child's new class teacher and discuss any questions/queries with them.

Stay and Play Sessions

During the summer term, new Nursery and Reception starters will be invited in for a play and stay sessions at school. Children will be able to interact with their new peers, explore the classroom environment and enjoy one of our school dinners with their caregiver, supporting the transition of lunch times.

Home Visits

Home visits are a vital part of our transition process, as it is an opportunity to meet new children and their families in their familiar environment. During the visit, we will complete an all about me booklet to gather information to support your child's transition. Children will also receive a 'Welcome to Nursery' social story with photographs to prepare them for their new teachers & classroom over the Summer holidays. Home visits are scheduled to take place in the Summer term.

Welcome Meeting

Once you have accepted a place at our wonderful school, parents are then invited to our welcome meeting. At the meeting you will meet our lovely EYFS team, who will discuss key information to ensure a smooth transition into our Nursery setting. You will also gain an insight into our EYFS curriculum and the exciting things we offer during your child's Nursery year.

Working in Partnerships with other Professionals

During the summer term, the EYFS team at Moss Valley will contact any EYFS Nursery settings that children are transitioning from in order to build up a holistic picture of the child and ensure a smooth transition. This could include other services such as speech and language therapists, social care and any other services that involve a child's education.

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