

Buswells Lodge Primary School



Welcome to
Foundation Stage
One



Staff in FS1

Teacher

Mrs Dimmock

Teaching assistants

Mrs Gee

Mrs Smith

We are the Toucan class.



The Curriculum

Most children start at Buswells Lodge Primary School the term after their third birthday. Foundation Stage One is part time and the children attend in the morning.

The curriculum covers the seven areas of learning, which are further split into more detailed aspects of learning. In FS1, we concentrate on the prime areas as these are the building blocks for the specific areas.

Prime Areas

- Communication and language
 - Listening, Attention and Understanding
 - Speaking
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
 - Self-Regulation
 - Managing Self
 - Building Relationships
- Physical Development
 - Gross Motor Skills
 - Fine Motor Skills

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 Art and Design
 - Creating with Materials
 - Being Imaginative and Expressive

The School Day

Term Starts:

Tuesday 26th August

School day starts at:

8: 45 am

Classroom door opens at:

8: 40

School day ends at:

11: 45 am



School Uniform

It is expected that your child will attend school in their school uniform every day.

Trousers or jogging bottoms: grey or black

Skirts or leggings: grey or black

Dress: Grey pinafore dress or blue and white check summer dress

Polo top: White

Shirt: white

Jumper: Blue



Uniform with the school logo on can be purchased from [Uniform Direct](http://www.uniform-direct.com). You can either order online at www.uniform-direct.com or visit their shop which is located in town at 54-56 Humberstone Gate, Leicester. LE1 3PJ.

You can also purchase items without the school logo from large supermarkets.

Play Based Learning

In FS1 we plan lots of activities that help prepare the children for full time school. We operate a play based curriculum where children learn through play.

Play based learning involves lots of messy activities both indoors and outdoors and although aprons are provided, they may come home messy.



Outside Area

Our outside area includes water play and mud. We do have protective clothing but the children may come home dirty.



Milk and Fruit

Milk and fruit are provided free of charge every day.



Drinks

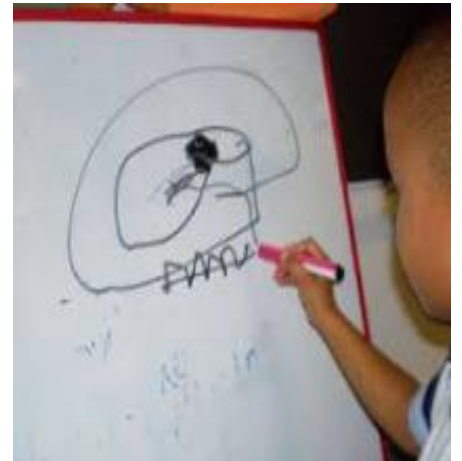
Please provide your child with a bottle of either water or cordial.

Please do not send in glass bottles or fizzy drinks.



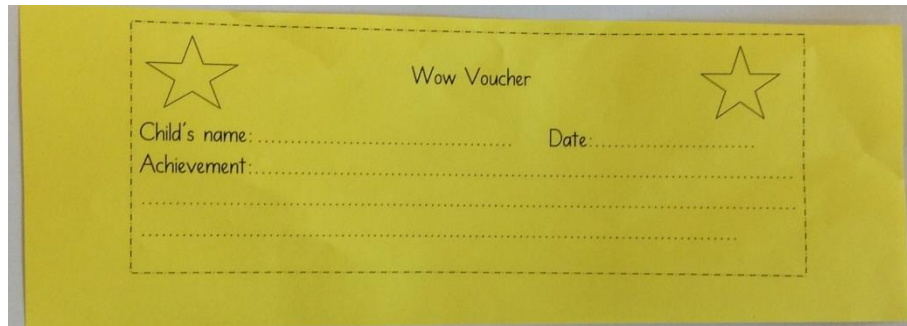
Adult activity days

We will be inviting you in during the year for some different activity days.



Wow vouchers

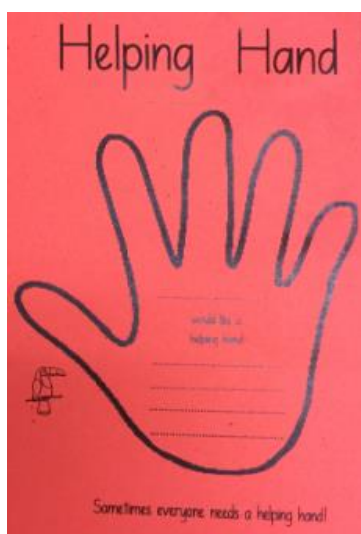
When your child achieves something at home please fill in a Wow voucher to let us know what they have done e.g. put their socks on.



These can be found on the classroom door.

Helping Hand

If your child needs some support with something we have covered in school, we will send home a helping hand. Once they are confident, e.g. can now count to ten, fill in the back of the helping hand and return it to school.



Homework

Please share a book with your child each night.

There is a box of books outside the classroom that your child can choose a book from.



Other ideas for how you can help your child at home are on the school website. You can scan the QR code that is on the door to the classroom.

Preparing your child for school

Before your child starts school, it will help them if they can do some things independently, for example:

- Be able to go to the toilet by themselves.
- Wash and dry their own hands.
- Put on their coat and fasten it.
- Drink from a cup without spilling.
- Wipe and blow their own nose.
- Listen to others and stories.



General Points

Attendance

If your child cannot attend school, please phone the office to inform us of why they are off school.



Picking up

You will need to fill in a form stating who is allowed to pick up your child. If a different person arrives to pick up your child, they will not be allowed to take them. In the case of an emergency please phone the school office to tell them who will be picking up your child.