

Further Information

The Early Years Team will be in the playground each morning and handing over your children at the end of the day. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to come and speak to us!

Useful contacts:

School Nurse 0161 835 6076

www.vernonpark.stockport.sch.uk
www.foundationyears.org.uk



@vernonpark17
@vernonEyfs

Notes...



We can't wait to see you
in September!



Vernon Park



Primary School

An exciting place to learn, an exciting place to be.



Welcome to Reception

Welcome to the EYFS

At Vernon Park, we believe a child's learning experience should be happy, active, exciting, fun and secure; and support their development, care and learning needs. From birth to the age of 5, children in the Early Years Foundation Stage learn by playing and exploring, being active and through creative and critical thinking which takes place both indoors and outside. Therefore, Nursery and Reception is a very important stage of your child's school career as it helps them to get ready for their future learning and successes. The EYFS curriculum is split into 7 areas of learning, 3 prime areas and 4 specific areas. The prime areas are Communication and Language, Physical Development and Personal, Social and Emotional Development. The specific areas are Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design.

What the day looks like

In Reception, children will take part in a daily Phonics and Mathematics activities and, when appropriate, adult-directed activities. They will also have lots of time to direct their own learning through their play. They will move between the EYFS indoor and outdoor environment and will be taught at different times by different members of the EYFS team.

Reception Visits

At Vernon Park, we try our very best to ensure your child's transition through the school is as smooth as possible. To help your child settle into Reception, we offer an initial home visit followed by school visits for both you and your child before they start in September. These visits will provide you with an opportunity to share any important information and for your child to meet their new teacher.

Toileting

Children will be fully toilet trained by the time they enter Reception. We appreciate that some children may have some medical difficulties. Please inform us if your child has any issue with regard to toileting themselves independently.

Twitter



Keep in touch with us on Twitter:

Photos of children at work

Reminders about upcoming events.

School news.

Star of the Week photos.

@vernonpark17- Our main school feed

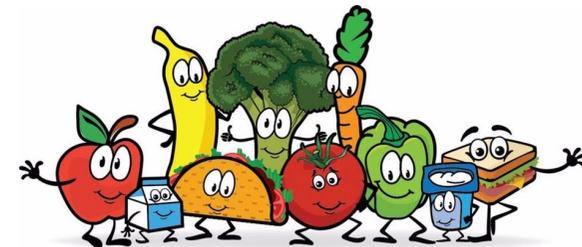
@VernonEyfs- A feed dedicated to the Early Years classes (Nursery and Reception)

@VernonparkP- Our Friends of Vernon Park (PTA) feed

School Dinners

School dinners are ordered and paid for at the following website: <https://live-kitchen.co.uk/cashless/login.aspx>.

Please select your child's meals in advance. If your child does not enjoy a particular meal choice, your class teacher will let you know or you will receive a slip from our lunchtime staff.



Dropping Off and Collecting

The school day runs from 8.55am to 3.15pm. We open the cloakroom doors at 8.50am and close them at 8.55am when the bell rings. Reception children come in the through the gate under the covered shelter in the infant playground. They are also collected from the same place. At home time, we release the children one at a time as we see their grown up. We will ask you to give us a list of adults that you have authorised to collect your children when we meet in September. Please bear with us, as this can take some time to begin with as we have lots of new faces to learn - we will speed up!

Book Bags

All of the children must have a book bag which needs to come to school with them everyday. It is used for sending home letters, child-initiated work, homework, reading books, (when the children are ready), and phonic sheets. Please check it daily for anything new and empty it regularly. It is important that their reading books and diaries are kept in their book bag. The children will be taught reading every day through 'Read Write Inc'. (Please look out for our Parent Workshop sessions for more information about how we teach reading.)

Inhalers

If your child has asthma, please ensure that they bring an inhaler and spacer to be kept in school on their first day. The inhaler must be kept in its original packaging with your child's name on. We will send them home at the end of each term for you to check how much is left, use by dates and to clean their spacer.

Meet the Team



Mrs Lee
Headteacher



Miss Green
Deputy Head



Mrs Adams
Nursery Teacher



Miss Toolan
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Ellison
S and L Therapist



Mrs White
S and L Teacher



Mrs Stone
S and L Teacher



Mrs Blower
S and L Support



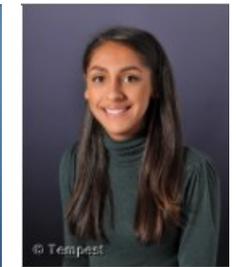
Mrs Atkins
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Brown
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Thomas
Teaching Assistant



Miss Spencer
Reception Teacher



Mrs Ogden
Teaching Assistant /
HLTA



Miss Lee
Teaching Assistant/
HLTA



Miss Dakin
EYFS Lead /
Reception Teacher



Dennis
Site Manager

School Uniform

At Vernon Park, we expect our children to maintain a high standard of appearance by wearing school uniform. The following options are available:

- Yellow school polo shirt / navy polo shirt / white polo shirt
- School sweatshirt / navy sweatshirt or for girls, navy cardigan
- Grey trousers or shorts
- Grey or navy skirt / pinafore dress
- Pale blue and white checked summer dress
- Grey, white or navy tights or socks
- **Black shoes**- not trainers, canvas shoes, Velcro fastenings unless your child can fasten laces.
- No jewellery except **small studs** for children with their ears pierced
- For hygiene reasons, hair that is long enough must be worn tied back with a plain fastening

Spare Clothing

We have some spare uniform at school, however we recommend that you send some **spare socks and underwear** to school just in case of any 'accidents'. These can be put into a clearly labelled bag and hung onto their coat peg.



Outdoor Clothing

In the Foundation Stage, we spend time each day learning in the outdoors, whatever the weather. Therefore, it is really important that your child has appropriate outdoor clothing. They will need the following:

- Warm and **waterproof coat** with a hood
- In Winter, a **woolly hat, scarf and gloves**
- In Summer, a **sun hat** which will cover the back of the neck
- **Wellington boots** - for our visits to the Environmental Area.



We will have a weekly Forest School session. On this day children should come to school in old clothes, not their school uniform. Teachers will let you know when Forest School sessions are at the start of the year.

Labelling

We ask that you ensure **all** items of your child's clothing and school equipment are clearly labelled with their name, including coats, lunch boxes, water bottles, shoes. Lost items can then be returned easily.

Water Bottles

The children have access to drinking water throughout the day. Please send a water bottle to school each day with your child's name clearly labelled. We ask that you do not put this in their book bag in case of leakages and please only put water in the bottle, no juice.

