



Great Waltham C of E Primary School

Reception Class

June 2025

Welcome Meeting

Our Christian vision is underpinned by Jesus' example of love for all and is summarised in 1 Corinthians 16:14.

'Let all that you do be done in love.'

We **ASPIRE** for all our children to be confident, happy and caring individuals, to love as Jesus shows us and to develop a love of learning, living responsibly in God's world.

We teach our children to:

- Love and live as Jesus showed us.
- Love ourselves and others.
- Love and celebrate differences.
- Love and respect the world God has provided us.



ASPIRE

To help achieve this vision we follow six core values:

Aspiration – we aspire to love one another as Jesus shows us and to be the best we can be.

Strength – we believe we can be better by being courageous enough to overcome the 'ow' moments.

Perseverance – we keep on trying even when we find things difficult.

Integrity – we are consistent, whole and honest in what we say, think and do.

Responsibility – we show love by taking care of ourselves, others and God's wonderful world.

Empathy - we see things from other perspectives which help us to be more respectful, tolerant and loving towards them.



EYFS Team



Miss Byford
Teaches Monday & Tuesday



Mrs Rolland
Teaches Wednesday, Thursday & Friday



Mrs Ford
Learning Assistant



Mrs Martin
Higher Level
Learning Assistant



Mrs Moore
EYFS Lead & SENDCo

School Staff



Mrs Boyle

Deputy Head & North
America Class Teacher



Mrs Goodwin

School Business Manager



Mrs James

Attendance officer & office
team



School uniform - please name everything!

Winter uniform:

- Grey trousers, skirt or pinafore dress
- White school shirt, short or long sleeved suitable for wearing with the school tie
- School tie – Velcro for the younger children
- School logo jumper, cardigan or tank top
- Black, white or grey plain socks
- Dark grey tights
- Black shoes – No trainers
- Plain coat
- Plain bag (EYFS school book bags only)

Summer uniform:

- Navy blue and white gingham dress to be worn with plain white socks or grey skirt and white collar short sleeved shirt
- Grey shorts to be worn with either black, grey or white socks
- School logo jumper, cardigan or tank top
- Plain coat
- Black shoes – No trainers or sandals



PE kit:

On PE days we ask all children to come to school in their tracksuit, this saves time on getting changed and allows us more time for PE.

- Navy school logo PE tracksuit
- Pale blue school logo PE t-shirt
- Navy Sport Shorts – Summer Only
- White socks
- Dark coloured trainers

Hair:

- Long hair must be tied up at all times.
- Hair ties to match uniform colour – navy or black
- No large bows

Earrings:

For reasons of Health and Safety school staff are not permitted to remove earrings from children's pierced ears under any circumstances, nor are they responsible for the earrings once removed. Therefore, we recommend children do not wear earrings to school. Due to health & safety, earrings must be removed prior to PE and cannot be tapped.

All logoed uniform is available from School Wear Plus – Chelmsford

www.schoolwearplus.com

Please ensure every item of school uniform is named so that it can be returned if misplaced. Lost property is only held for a short period of time.



A Day in Class Australia

- **Main Gate Opens at 8:30**
 - **Classroom door opens at 8:35**
 - **Pupils to be in class by 8:45**
- (Children who arrive after 8:45 will need to go to office and will be marked as late.)

Each day the children will need to bring:

- Coat
- Book Bag (supplied by school)
- Water bottle (water only)

8:45 – morning activity and register



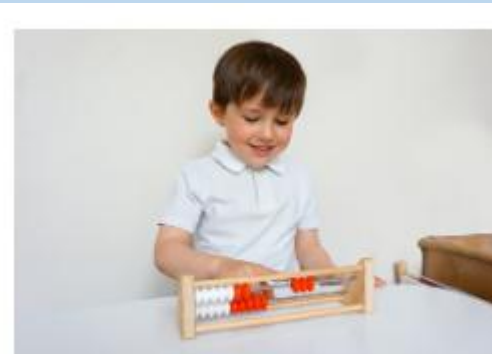
Learning Activities - Adult led



Daily Phonics Session



Whole Class Teaching Activities – based on weekly theme.



Mastering Number

Daily Math's Session



Child Led Activities

Characteristics of effective learning:
playing and exploring
active learning; and
creating and thinking critically.



Snack Time – Fresh Fruit and Milk



Lunch Time – 12:00

All EYFS / KS1 children receive a free lunch but if you think you might be eligible for Pupil Premium Funding, please speak to the office:

- trips
- uniform support
- clubs
- Y6 residential



Allergies

PE Sessions

Children come into school in their PE Kits and stay in them all day.



Forest Session



Children will be given the opportunity to explore our nature area. We will be outside for most of the afternoon (unless extreme weather conditions). Children will need wellies, a waterproof coat and waterproof trousers. These can be kept in school or brought in each session.



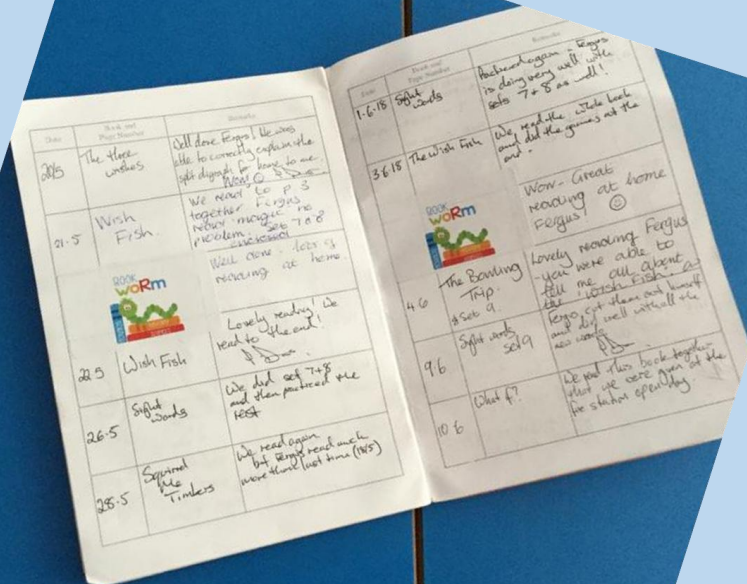
End of school day – 3:15

- Main gate will be open from 3:10
- Children will be released one at a time
- If children are going with different adults, please let a member of EYFS team or the school office know



Home Learning

Please listen to your child read four times a week and sign their home reading record.



Each week a home learning task will be set please help your child to complete this.



Let all that you do be done in love.

Year 6 Buddy's

Children will be paired up with their buddy in the first couple of weeks (no siblings/ cousins or family friends). Throughout the year we have planned opportunities for them to work together but they are also a fantastic support during playtimes and lunchtimes.



House points

Tigers are red

Leopards are blue

Lions are green



Rewards



PLATINUM AWARDS

given at the end of each half term
parents invite only



ASPIRE AWARDS
given weekly during
celebration assembly



Hot Chocolate Friday!



Breakfast Club and After school club

Breakfast Club operates from
7:30am to 8:35am



YMCA

**AFTER SCHOOL CLUB
OPENING FEBRUARY 2023**

YMCA Essex will be providing an after school club at Great Waltham Primary School — delivering a fun, quality childcare setting.

After School Club

- After school club closes at 6pm
- £13 per session
- Light tea given
- 10% discount for a full week

Book Now
www.ymcaessex.org.uk
01245 355677



Let all that you do be done in love.

Information & Contacting us



<https://www.greatwaltham.school/>

Telephone: 01245 360395

E-mail: admin@greatwaltham.essex.sch.uk

Office hours: Monday to Friday 8:30am - 4:15pm



Attendance & Holidays

When does my child need to be in School?

School gates open **8.35am** and close at **8.45am**

Your child should go straight into class and be in good time for registration.

Morning Registration: **8.45am**

Afternoon Registration: **1:00pm**

End of school: 3:15

What happens if my child is late?

If your child arrives between **8.45am** and **9.am** he/she will be marked late.

If your child arrives after **9 am** they will be marked as an unauthorised absence (late after registers closed)

Pupils who arrive after registration should report to the school office, and sign the Late Book. If a pupil is late regularly a meeting will be arranged with a member of staff to discuss reasons/ difficulties for lateness.



Let all that you do be done in love.

How you can help:

- Name everything!
- Get the children to practise putting on and taking off coats / jumpers and cardigans. Teach them to zip up coats/do up buttons.
- Get shoes/ trainers with Velcro – No laces until they can do them up themselves.
- Support children to be independent with toileting.
- Keep a spare set of clothes at school in a plastic bag just in case they have an accident.



Any questions?

