



WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS!



The beginning of a new chapter in your child's life - an exciting journey of learning and discovery

Welcome to Reception

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We are delighted you have chosen our school.

You will get an email to fill out relevant paperwork. This will depend on whether your child is already part of our Nursery or is new to the school.

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Home visits

Optional home visits for children **new to the school**
Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd of July

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Paperwork

Make sure all the paperwork is completed by **Friday 26th June**.
Details below.

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Get ready

Order school uniform and/or get nearly new uniform from our PTA.
Details below

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Stay and Play

Open to all children - just come along!

Tuesday 9th June 3.30-4.15

Thursday 18th June 3.30-4.15

Details below

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Parent Meeting

Wednesday 24th June 4pm

For all parents

Meet the teachers and find out about the school day, routines and the Reception Curriculum.

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Move up Morning

For all **Reception children**.

Thurs 9th July

9.15-11.20 in their new class

11.20-12 Lunch time with 1 parent

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Starting School

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Tues 1st Sept INSET school closed

Weds 2nd Sept INSET School closed

Thurs 3rd Sept 8.40-12pm

Fri 4th Sept 8.40-1pm

Full time (8.40-3.15) from Mon 8th Sept

Nurturing, Resilience and Achievement for All

In a little more detail...

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Welcome

As a school and learning community, we are proud of the pastoral care and education we provide for the children, aiming high to achieve 'Nurturing, Resilience and Achievement for All' (our school motto). We believe it is the values and ethos of our school that makes it unique, and we ask all members of our community to share in these values – children, staff, and parents. They help us create a nurturing environment and family feel, enabling us to stand out as a place for children to learn and develop.

We aim to work with all our families, so please contact us with any questions, concerns or offers of help! You will find lots of information and helpful links on our [website](#) including the Parent Handbook but there are also links throughout to help you navigate the start of your child's school journey.

The journey to Reception is slightly different depending on whether your child is already part of our Nursery or whether you are new to our school. We have tried our best to signpost this but please ask if you are unsure.

Week starting 8th June: If you are **new to our school** you will need to [Register your child's full details with us](#): you will receive an email with your Arbor login and instructions on how to complete the on-line registration – further details can be found on the school [website](#).

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Stay and Play

This year we are offering stay and play sessions. This is a chance for children and parents to come and meet the teacher, see the classroom and participate in a range of activities. This helps the children feel familiar with their new classroom and gives parents the chance to ask questions or share information.

These sessions are **open to all** children - come to one or both - no need to book just sign in at the school office on the day.

Tuesday 9th June 3.30-4.15pm

Thursday 18th June 3.30-4.15pm

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Optional home visits

For children **new to the school**, we are offering optional home visits on the **2nd or 3rd of July**. These will be a 20min visit to chat with two of our Early Years staff. The aim of the visits is to help our teachers get to know your child better, their likes and interests and any support they may need. It is also a good opportunity to share sensitive information or ask questions on a 1:1 basis.

Expect a phone call from the Reception Teacher to arrange a suitable time

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Parent information Meeting

Wednesday 24th June @ 4pm (entry via the School Office)

Meet the teachers and find out about the school day, routines and the Reception curriculum. Even if you attended for an older sibling please come along as things change each year! The meeting is really just for parents so please try to avoid bringing children if you can.

If you are unable to make the meeting, handouts will also be shared via the school website. You can collect them from the school office if you prefer.

Top Tip: You can bring any paperwork we have requested too (including your child's birth certificate, if they're joining our school for the first time in September).

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Paperwork /Admin

Deadline Friday 26th June

For **new parents** make sure you have:

- Completed the registration email- (Please contact Mrs Hatch on 01279 836006 if you have any difficulties with this)
- Downloaded the [Arbor App](#) and completed permission questions.
- Told us about any medical needs your child has even if they do not require regular medication in school.
- Show your child's birth certificate to the school office.

For **all parents**:

- Completed and returned the 'All about me' form - this helps us know more about your child.
- Respond to the email to request/order School Milk (free for under 5s).
- Requested a complimentary meal for you and your child on Move Up Day (see 6 overleaf)
- Registered your child for Universal Infant Free School Meals on the Hertfordshire [website](#)

Top Tip: Click on the 'Reception, Year 1, Year 2' link.

PLEASE DO THIS EVEN IF YOUR CHILD WILL HAVE A PACKED LUNCH!

- Told us about any allergies your child has this is really important for the kitchen staff and teaching staff via the catering [website](#).

Universal Infant Free School Meals: Currently, all children in Reception are entitled to free school meals through a government funding scheme. There is no cost to parents, and it is available to all families regardless of income, but please register to access this. The registration process also checks if your child enables school to access additional funding through the Pupil Premium Grant – you find out more about this on our [website](#).

Birth Certificates: Schools are required to check birth certificates when children join the school. If you did this when they joined our Nursery, we don't need to see it again. Please show an original birth certificate to the school office (or bring to the parent information meeting!). This is copied and added to your child's file.

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Move up morning: Thursday 9th July

For all Reception children.

- 9.15-11.20 in their new class
- 11.20- 12 Lunch time with 1 adult guest

Your child will need:

- A coat in case of wet weather, we will use our outside space (even if it's raining)!
- A small bag (such as a backpack or book bag, though a carrier bag will be OK too) - to carry things home
- If they need an asthma inhaler or other medication, please bring it with them and hand it to the teacher when you arrive. We will ask you to complete a form so we can administer it if needed. (If we already have theirs in Nursery, we will bring it across).

Arriving:

If your child already attends our Nursery, please bring them to Nursery as normal. Mrs Cutmore will take the children across to Reception Class at the right time.

For children new to our school, please come to the **Nursery Gate** for **9.15am**. One of the teachers will come to open the gate. You will be able to bring your child to the Reception class door, where you will say goodbye!

Top Tip: Some children can be distressed at first but often settle quickly if they can see that their parent is happy and relaxed. They very quickly start enjoying the activities in class. It will fly by!

Parents return at 11.20am to the Main Entrance.

At 11.20am, the children will come to the dining hall and meet you there. Then you can both stay for a complimentary lunch (we have space for one adult for each child). This is an opportunity for you and your child to sample one of our cook's delicious meals. **Please complete the online booking form [HERE](#) by Friday 26th June.** The children will be able to leave with you when they have eaten their lunch.



Need help? Have a question? Think you've missed some information?

Please just get in touch and we'll do our best to help you along the way.

Mrs Wendy Hatch, Office Manager Mrs Row Perryman, Finance Administrator

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Get Ready - June onwards...

Order school uniform - see details of our uniform [HERE](#). Children will also need a pair of wellies in school on forest school days. Most items are available through any good clothing store that sells school clothing. Embroidered items can be ordered online through our supplier - [ALL SAINTS PRIMARY: Top Form Schoolwear](#).

You can also ask about Nearly New Uniform available through our PTA uniformpta@allsaints.herts.sch.uk Please name all school uniform including shoes - if you purchase from stikins using the code 36162, our PTA get a small donation.

School Readiness- look back at the information from the parent information session to help your child get ready for school. For example being able to recognise their name or get themselves dressed.

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Starting Reception

We look forward to welcoming your child in September. To help them settle, and get used to the very busy day at school, we have a staggered start.

Tuesday 1st Sept: INSET Day school closed to all pupils

Wednesday 2nd Sept: INSET day School closed to all pupils

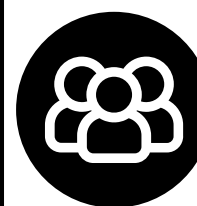
Thursday 3rd Sept: 8.40am - **12pm**

Friday 4th Sept: 8.40am - **1pm**

From Monday 7th Sept children in full time- 8.40-3.15pm

Need wrap around care? See the options for breakfast club and Night Owls (after school club) on our [website](#). For breakfast club enquiries contact Mrs Perryman (finance@allsaints.herts.sch.uk). Please contact Night Owls directly.

Get Involved



- We are a friendly school, and want to include parents in what we do. All parents are automatically members of the PTA, but you can join the PTA committee or network of regular helpers. Email pta@allsaints.herts.sch.uk to find out more.
- We always welcome parents to help with reading and other school activities. See the website for the forms to help out during the school day.
- Find us on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#)
- Keep up to date with fortnightly newsletters (emailed and on the [website](#))
- Log on to Tapestry to keep up to date with your child's learning and see communication from teachers.