

Wakefield Grammar Pre-Preparatory School

FAQs - School transfers



Children say the food is delicious and nutritious!

What lessons do you do?

We have a range of lessons during the week. In a 'typical' week we cover French, music, PE, games, swimming (dependent on year group), topic (including art, science, history, geography, design technology), P4C (philosophy for children), maths, ICT and English (including reading, writing, phonics, spelling, grammar and handwriting).

What after school clubs are there?

After school clubs change each term but some of the many we have run include: martial arts, coding, golf, football, multi-sports, dance, street dance, Latin, Spanish, reading and yoga.









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Will I get a buddy?

Before you come to our school we will pair you up with another child in your class. They will show you round on your first day and introduce you to your classmates and other children in your year group. Our children are very friendly and will ensure you do not get lost and know just what to do.

What PE do you do?

PE is taught by Mr Ward (our sports coach) and another member of PE staff from within the Foundation. Mr Ward teaches all PE including dance, athletics, gymnastics, core skills of throwing, catching, kicking, aiming etc. as well as preparing children for team games by teaching the skills and rules for many team sports.

Children also take part in games sessions with their whole year group and weekly swimming lessons.

How do you teach phonics?

Phonics is taught using the Read Write Inc. scheme. Phonics is taught from FSI to Year I and in Year 2, if needed. Phonics is taught in small groups according to where each child is in their phonic understanding and reading.









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What do you do at lunchtime?

Each year group has a set time to go in for lunch. They are brought in by members of staff and the staff support children in the dining hall. During lunchtime there are a range of activities outside as well as a number of clubs run by teaching staff.





What homework do you get?

Each term a homework menu is sent home. Children can choose which, and how many, of the tasks they complete. Children are also asked to read daily at home, practise their spellings and in Year I and 2 complete a reading comprehension and beat their own time on Times Table Rockstars each week. The children also have a scrapbook to record '95 things to do at WGPPS'. These are fun, family-orientated tasks to complete by the end of Year 2.

When do you go swimming?

Swimming starts in the summer term of FS2. These are taster sessions before weekly swimming lessons commence in Year I. These then continue through WGPPS.







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Do you stay with your class all the time?

Classes are together for the majority of the time. However, there are times when children are with different groups of children, for example in phonics or sometimes for swimming. The children are taught games as a full year group, which means they have opportunities to collaborate and form friendships with a range of children.

> What happens in After School and Morning Care?

All children are welcome to attend Early Morning Care and After School Care. There is a charge for both services. Children have the opportunity to take part in play, craft, watch films, play music and use ICT. Children in ASC have a snack and drink. Any child who is still in ASC at 4.30pm will have a light tea.

Do you have different teachers for different lessons?

The class is taught by their class teacher most of the time. However, we have specialist teachers for music and French. Our sports coach and specialist PE teachers teach PE and games and swimming teachers teach swimming, supported by staff in the pool.





