

Meet the Teacher

Miss McDonald, Ms Adams, Mrs Pimenta & Ms Linda

Nursery and Reception

- ▶ Nursery and Reception children explore the same themes and topics throughout the year, helping to create a shared learning experience and a sense of community within the class.
- ▶ For some subjects (Literacy and Mathematics), the class is split into year levels. Subjects such as RE and art are taught together but with differentiated learning outcomes.
- ▶ Topics will be taught to a two-year cycle, meaning the content covered this year will be different from the next.
- ▶ Our continuous provision ensures that every child is both supported and challenged, enabling them to make excellent progress from their individual starting points.

Timetable

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:30	Register/Handy helper/Days of the week	Register/Handy helper/Days of the week	Register/Handy helper/Days of the week	/Register/Handy helper/Days of the week	Register/Handy helper/Days of the week
9:00	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy	Literacy
9:15	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics	Phonics
9:45	Continuous Provision	Continuous Provision	Continuous Provision	Continuous Provision	Continuous Provision
10:00	Fruit & Milk	Fruit & Milk	Fruit & Milk	Fruit & Milk	Fruit & Milk
10:30	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths	Maths
	Continuous Provision	Continuous Provision	Continuous Provision	Continuous Provision	Continuous Provision
11:30	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
12:45	Register	Register/ Collective worship	Register/ Collective worship	Register/ Collective worship	Register
1:00	PSHE	Expressive Art and Design	Understanding the world	RE	
	Continuous Provision	Continuous Provision	Continuous Provision	Continuous Provision	Continuous Provision
2:00	Fruit & Milk	Fruit & Milk	Fruit & Milk	Fruit & Milk	Fruit & Milk
3:00	Home time	Home time	Home time	Home time	Home time

Phonics

- ▶ We use Read Write Inc. reception have started to learn sounds this week and will start bringing home sound cards to practice.
- ▶ Nursery will start later in the year. We will focus on rhyme and syllables first.
- ▶ Please say the letter sound when reading or writing with your child at home.
- ▶ When sounding out words it can be helpful to chin walk or finger counting the sounds.

Homework

- ▶ The most important thing you can do is read to your child (20 minutes a day)
- ▶ Later in the year the Reception students will start to bring home leveled reading books. Nursery will bring home a weekly story book.
- ▶ Each week on Seesaw we will put suggestion on how you can support their learning at home. These will be activities or tasks that relate to the learning we have been or will be doing in class.

Attendance and Punctuality

- ▶ Nursery children are entitled to 15 hours of funded education per week. Children accessing their 15 funded hours attend Monday to Wednesday from 8:30am-3.00pm
- ▶ Families who are eligible for 30 hours funded childcare and have a valid 30-hour code can access full-time provision. These children attend 8:30am-3:00pm each day.
- ▶ Reception children are in school Monday to Friday from 8:30am-3:00pm.
- ▶ If your child is ill, please call the office to inform us.
- ▶ Holidays during term time are usually unauthorised and may lead to attendance action/fines.

Safeguarding

- ▶ Everyone has a responsibility in keeping children safe.
- ▶ Please inform us of any changes at home
- ▶ Keep us informed of any changes in address, phone number or who can collect your child.
- ▶ The school will always act in the best interest of the children.
- ▶ Parents are asked not to use mobile phones on school premises.
- ▶ If you have any concerns you can speak to me or Mrs Pratley.

Uniform

- ▶ In winter, the students need to wear a plain black or navy jacket.
- ▶ Please make sure that everything is labeled (including their book bags and bottles).
- ▶ Please no bracelets and necklaces. If your child has their ears pierced, please make sure they are a small stud.
- ▶ Could all parents please provide a spare change of clothes to keep at school.
- ▶ Children need a blue polo top, blue jumper with school logo, navy shorts/tracksuit bottoms and black shoes with Velcro.
- ▶ Children can wear their own clothes on their birthday.

Classroom Management

- ▶ We use the terms red choice and green choice.
- ▶ For red choices there is a 1, 2, 3 system. Once children reach 3 they have a 2 minute reflection time.
- ▶ Children learn best when school and home give consistent messages.
- ▶ Children must be respectful, kind and ready to learn at school.

Communication

- ▶ Short messages can be given at the gate in the morning. If you need to speak after school please wait until all of the children have been dismissed.
- ▶ If you would like a longer meeting to discuss something please email the office admin@marycps.brent.sch.uk
- ▶ You will receive information about events in school newsletters and via text.
- ▶ We use Seesaw in EYFS to communicate. You will receive a login in the next week.

Reception Baseline

- ▶ A short, one-to-one assessment with your child's teacher
- ▶ Focuses on early language, communication, and mathematics skills
- ▶ Helps schools understand your child's starting points
- ▶ No preparation needed - it feels like a series of fun activities!
- ▶ It takes place in the first 6 weeks of school.
- ▶ It gives a snapshot of your child's learning on entry and supports planning for next steps
- ▶ Results are not shared with children and do not affect their learning in any way
- ▶ It's gentle, informal, and designed to help us get to know your child better.

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Thank you for coming!