



WELCOME TO THE MOSLEY ACADEMY

Happiness

Acceptance

Independence

*Be the BEST that
»» YOU can be! ««*

Responsibility

Kindness

Honesty

ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

- The Mosley Academy is a thriving, village school with 212 children across Reception to Year 6
- We are a member of the John Taylor Multi Academy Trust within which there are 14 Primary schools, 6 Secondary schools and 1 all through school, all of whom work very closely together to ensure the best outcomes and opportunities for children.



INTENT FOR EYFS AT MOSLEY

Vocabulary
rich

Ready to
learn

Active
learners

Awe and
Wonder

Hands-on
approach

Text
Based

Love
Learning

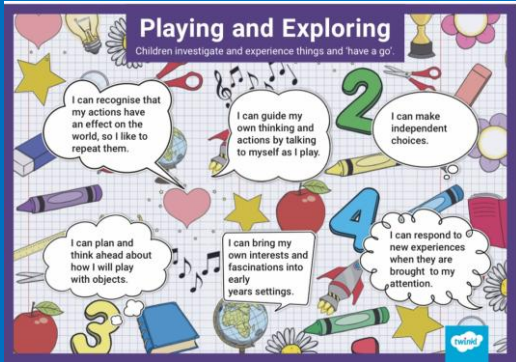
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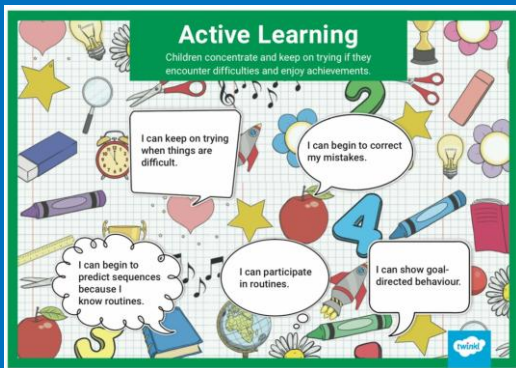
THE EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE (EYFS)

- The EYFS is the national framework for children's learning and focuses on children aged 0-5 years.
- The philosophy underpinning the EYFS is that every child is unique and that they should be provided with an environment and opportunities that enable them to build strong relationships to be independent learners.
- These principles fall under
 - A unique child
 - Positive relationships
 - Enabling environment
 - Learning and development
- For more information on the EYFS, please visit the school website where you will find a parent guide and welcome booklet (soon to be uploaded with updated staff pics!)

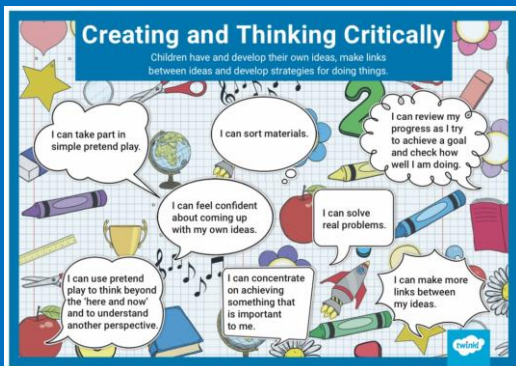
- The **Characteristics of Effective Learning** are also a key part of the EYFS curriculum. These important skills are key to how a child learns.



- **Playing and exploring** focuses on how the child:
 - Plans and thinks ahead
 - Is guided by their own thinking and actions
 - Makes their own independent choices
 - Responds to new experiences and has their own interests and fascinations
 - Is willing to 'have a go'.



- **Active learning** is all about how a child:
 - Displays positive, regulated behaviour
 - Participates in routines and gets to know these routines well
 - Begins to self regulate and perseveres when they find something difficult.
 - Enjoys achieving what they set out to do



- **Creating and thinking critically** looks at how a child:
 - Takes part in pretend play and uses play to think beyond the 'here and now'
 - Has their own ideas and solves real life problems
 - Makes links between ideas
 - Choosing ways to do things

- The EYFS is made up of 7 areas of learning and development that are identified as Prime or Specific areas.

- **Prime Areas**

- Personal, Social and Emotional development
- Physical development
- Communication and language

- **Specific Areas**

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the world
- Expressive art and design



These areas are split further into different strands making 17 areas in total that we assess against at the end of the Reception year.

THE EYFS ENVIRONMENT



Play has a vital role in learning within the Reception.

Our provision enables children to be active learners. We call this going on an adventure!

It encourages independence, decision making and all the characteristics of effective learning.

Learning happens best when it is 'hands-on' - we provide first-hand, real-life experiences for the children that are inspiring and exciting.

Play provides children with the chance to explore ideas, express emotions and apply new learning in different situations. Our environment is the third teacher!



MOSLEY FOREST ADVENTURES



- Reception take part in Forest Adventures every week with Miss Twells and Mrs Weston/Miss Fern
- Children are provided with waterproof puddle suits at school. Children will need their coats/layers in colder weather –plus wellies in school already!
- We ask parents to please provide your child with a pair of named wellies that can be brought in from day one, and kept in school all year round (for OPAL)
- Outdoor Play And Learning OPAL is an important part of our school!

A TYPICAL DAY IN EYFS

- 8:40 – 9 am – Register and morning task
- 9:00 – 9:20 – Phonics/ Guided reading
- 9:20 – 10:10 – Adventures +Guided Group Work
- 10:10 – 10.30 – Snack time
- 10:30 – 10:45 – Drawing Club
- 10:45 – 11:40 – Adventures +Guided Group Work
- 11:45 – 12:50 – Lunch time
- 12:50 – 13:00 Register and afternoon task
- 13:00 – 13:20 – Maths
- 13:15 – 14:15 – Adventures +Guided Group Work
- 14:15 – 14:30– Snack time
- 14:30 – 15:00 – Curriculum input
- 15:00 – 15:20 – Story and home time



UNIFORM (PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING!)

- Children DO NOT require rucksacks/backpacks – LOGO bookbags only in Reception please
- Children will play outside in all weathers – please ensure they have a waterproof AND warm coat
- We expect all children to wear grey trousers / skirts / pinafore dresses
- White polo tops / shirts
- Royal blue LOGO jumper / cardigan
- Black socks / white socks / grey tights
- Black shoes (NOT TRAINERS) or smart ankle boots (in colder weather)
- Jewellery is not permitted to be worn (excluding religious articles, we ask parents to inform us in advance of)
- Hair should be tied back at all times - neat and tidy, not in eyes
- No smart watches
- No nail varnish



PE UNIFORM (PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING!)

On PE days, children come to school dressed in their kit which consists of;

Black tracksuit bottoms/ leggings / shorts / skirt

Royal blue LOGO t-shirt

Black / white socks

Trainers for outdoor sports

Children may wear a LOGO school fleece / sports hoodie on colder PE days too

No other logos on PE tops please. PE days are still days to look smart and is part of our school uniform procedure!



PE... MORE DETAILS!

- We will let you know what day Reception children will have their PE lessons
- Children should come to school dressed in their PE kits on PE day
- Please ensure all jewellery is removed and left at home on PE days*
- We require ALL children to remove earrings themselves prior to PE lessons; adults cannot support with this
- We strongly encourage parents NOT to get their children's ears pierced until the start of the Summer Holidays so that adequate healing time is allowed before children begin PE lessons again in September
- We do not allow taping of earrings as per AFPE guidance

* Religious articles are excluded but discussions with the headteacher and PE subject lead must take place to ascertain appropriate health and safety precautions prior to PE lessons





SCHOOL LUNCHES

- Our catering provider is Mellors and they provide carefully selected meals that are nutritionally balanced and based on the likes/dislikes of children in school
- Children in Reception-Year 2 are entitled to receive a Universal Free School Meal (this is not a means tested benefit and is open to all)
- Example menus are available on our website here: [download.asp](https://themosleyacademy.co.uk/download.asp) (themosleyacademy.co.uk)
- Please talk to your child about the foods they do and don't like and encourage them to try new things
- Where possible, look over the menu before school each day and chat with your child about what they will choose to have at lunch
- If your child has any allergies, we MUST be made aware of these prior to your child starting school in September
- We strongly encourage parents to take advantage of the UFSM offer so that children have access to a broad range of food types and meal choices
- We are a NUT SAFE environment and do not allow nuts of any type or in any form in school



WRAP AROUND CARE

- Early Birds !
- Breakfast Club runs from 8 am until 8.40 every day in the school hall. Please book via MCAS for the half term. It is priced at £5 per session this includes breakfast. Toast, toppings and cereal plus apple juice, milk, water, squash is available too.
- Night Owls !
- 3.30 until 5.30pm Monday to Friday. 2 wrap around care staff will run the sessions. Light food will be provided eg sandwiches, pizza, snacks etc. Fun and games in addition to chill time! (£13 until 5.30pm or £7 until 4.30pm)
- Additional after school activities through Inclusive Kids Club and Soccer Stars. Booking in September- clubs run until 4.30 pm. Bookings and cost through external providers

SNACKS

- At Mosley, we follow Public Health Agency's guide to health snacks. This is available here: [download.asp \(themosleyacademy.co.uk\)](https://themosleyacademy.co.uk/download.asp)
- We insist that children only bring fruit, vegetables or PLAIN bread-based snacks in from home. Please do not send in a lunch box- two snacks only max
- Where children bring in snacks that are not in line with this Government guidance, staff may encourage them to leave this in their bag to have after school and will offer a healthy alternative (such as fruit) instead
- Children in Reception - Year 2 all receive a piece of free school fruit, provided by the Government fruit scheme
- Children must only have water in their bottles, no juice/flavoured water/fizzy drinks
- Children are also offered milk everyday from school, during lunchtime, up until the term after they turn 5 years old.



TOILETING

- If your child is not confidently 'toilet trained' please speak to a staff member to inform us of this before your child starts school
- We encourage parents whose children have accidents more regularly to keep named, additional underwear/clothing in their bags
- At Mosley, we have a noncontact intimate care procedure, details of which are available here: [download.asp \(themosleyacademy.co.uk\)](https://themosleyacademy.co.uk/download.asp)
- In the event of a toileting accident (which happens to all children from time to time and is nothing to worry about) staff will verbally guide children through cleaning and changing themselves
- If a child becomes distressed or is in a state that they're unable to sort themselves, we will call parents to attend school
- Please help (teach) your child to wipe their own bottom ready for starting school. For more information you can see the Gov potty training guide: [The Potty Training Guide - Starting Reception](#)



COMMUNICATION

- Each week Miss Twells will send out a class newsletter filled with information about what your child has been learning
- Children will also have their learning journeys recorded on SEESAW. We strongly encourage parents to engage regularly with their child's SEESAW account, adding likes/comments to school recordings and uploading your own WOW moments from home – we love to celebrate these with the rest of the class!
- The whole school receive a weekly newsletter informing of forthcoming events, information, diary dates etc
- Each Friday, we hold a 'Celebration Assembly' where children are awarded certificates. Children are welcome to bring in awards received outside of school (swimming certificates, sports awards, Rainbow/Cubs awards etc) too and these will be presented to your child in front of the whole school!
- Parents Evenings are held twice yearly – once in Autumn term and again in Spring term
- End of year reports are sent in July and will report on your child's progress against the Early Learning Goals

KEY DATES – AUTUMN TERM

- First Day at school - Thursday 3rd September
- Book Bus – Wednesday 16th September
- Nasal flu spray – Friday 18th September
- Phonics workshop – Thursday 24th September
- Break Up – Thursday 22nd October

Inset Day – Friday 23rd October

All dates are on the weekly newsletter.. Please sign up to MCAS in the new school year. They are also available on the school website, calendar dates.

STAFFORDSHIRE CONNECTS | FAMILY HUB SCHOOL READINESS

- Talk about the things that will happen on the first day e.g. Miss Twells will show you your coat peg and tray when you arrive.
- Ensure your child feels comfortable with the different parts of the day and knows what to expect e.g. using the toilet, washing their hands and eating dinner in the school hall.
- Encourage your child to know and recognise their full name
- Practise putting on school uniform and coats
- Practise identifying which shoe is LEFT and which shoe is RIGHT
- Learning how to share, remember their manners and get to know other children
- Practise tidying away their own things independently
- Practise using scissors and building up their motor skills
- Use a knife and fork to eat their dinner (adults will be there to help cut up food for children)
- Wipe their own bottom after going to the toilet.

DAY ONE



- Ensure you're on time, doors open at 8:40am and finishes at 3.20pm. School starts at 8.50 am prompt.
- Remember your school bag, a named water bottle and named snack
- Ensure your child does not bring any toys into school – we know how upset they would be if they got lost or damaged
- Please make sure no cosmetics / trinkets (such as lip balms and key rings) are secretly packed in their book bag
- Give them a HUGE hug and the biggest smile you can
- Let them walk into school independently wherever possible

KEEPING IN TOUCH

- Use the messaging service 'MCAS' to keep you up to date with everything that is happening in school. You will need to download this.
 - We need your most up to date phone number.
 - You will receive the messages in September. Speak to the office if you need help with this.
 - We are a paperless school and so all letters are uploaded MCAS.
 - 01283 247465 or office@mos.jtmat.co.uk
 - [The Mosley Academy – Home](#)
- Please always talk directly to us with any questions, comments or concerns – we work hard to work together and this is always the best option for your child. Parent whatsapp group can be helpful, but we ask that you respect the school community and talk directly to school if you have any worries or concerns, and follow our social media code of conduct.
Thank you.*

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