



Crawley Ridge Infant School

Reception 2026/27 Intake Induction



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Meet our Senior Leadership Team

Mrs T Demir
Headteacher



Miss E Saunders
Assistant Headteacher
for curriculum and
assessment



Working days: Monday,
Tuesday & Wednesday

Mrs C Roberts
Assistant
Headteacher for
Inclusion and SEND



Working days: Wednesday,
Thursday and Friday

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Meet our class teachers

**Mrs A
McDermott**
Bluebell Class
Teacher



Working days: Monday,
Tuesday & Wednesday

**Mrs V
Culverhouse**
Bluebell Class
Teacher



Working days: Thursday &
Friday

Ms S Pickering
Snowdrop Class
Teacher



Mrs V Robinson
Snowdrop Class
Teacher



Returning from Maternity
leave after Easter



Preparing your child for school

A happy, confident and independent child.



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A smooth start...

Talking about school

Establish a good bedtime routine

Reading with your child

Getting to school on time

Talk to us!



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- Dress and undress
- Fasten zips on coats
- Putting on socks and shoes
- Washing hands with soap



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Toileting

- Encourage children to go to the toilet by themselves.
- Help children learn how to manage their own clothes – tights and trousers can be tricky.
- All children should be toilet trained before they start school in September, unless they have a medical or SEND need which is diagnosed by an NHS professional.
- Children who are not toilet trained do not perform as well as their peers; it affects their dignity and takes time out of their learning. Our resources are limited.
- We understand that children will have accidents.



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My name

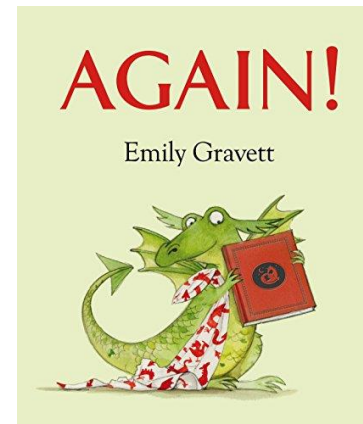
- Show your child what their name looks like.
- They can even try and write it - lower case only.
- Don't use capital letters only.



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Stories and Rhymes

- A great way to foster a love of language.
- Reading and sharing books
- Joining in with your favourite phrases and rhymes
- Not phonics - we will take care of that!



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Lunchtime

- Teach your child how to use a knife and fork so they can eat their lunch
- Encourage your child to try different and new food



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Things to remember - Please name them!

Book Bags - everyday

Water bottle – water only

Coat with a hood

Wellies to be kept in school

Spare underwear and socks



Please name everything!



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A Day in the Life of Reception

- 8.35 Children enter classroom, put possessions away and take part in an activity to settle
- 8.45 Register / Assembly (children arriving after 8.45 are late)
- 9.10 Brain break and phonics
- 9.35 Busy time (including adult focused tasks)
- 10.30 Snack time (fruit & water/ milk) then break
- 11.15 Guided Reading followed by handwriting
- 11.55 Lunch**
- 1.00 Register, Gross Motor
- 1.15 Maths
- 1.35 Story of the week (and Drawing Club, after half term)
- 1.30 Busy time (including adult focused tasks)
- 2.40 Topic input and getting ready for home
- 3.00 Home time



Five O'clock Club

Need some wraparound care?

- Two dismissals: 16:30 & 17:00
- £9.00 for 16:30 pick-up / £12.50 for 17:00 pick-up
- Must sign up for the whole half-term
- A snack will be given. No wraparound after 5pm @ CRI
- More information will follow



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What next?



- Story Time – Thursday 9th July @ 09:30
- Year R Curriculum Meeting Wednesday 30th September 8.45-9.30am - more detail about the curriculum, end of year goals and how we support children's development
- Parent consultations - Autumn term and Spring term



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Key Dates



September 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 1		1	2 INSET DAY The school is not open to any children.	3 Invited children ONLY (You will be contacted directly) 10:15-11:30	4 Groups A & B in 8:35 – 10:30 Groups C & D 13:00 – 15:00
Week 2	7 ALL CHILDREN IN FOR THE MORNING 08:35 – 11:30 + GROUP A STAY UNTIL 15:00	8 ALL CHILDREN IN FOR THE MORNING 08:35 – 11:30 + GROUP B STAY UNTIL 15:00	9 ALL CHILDREN IN FOR THE MORNING 08:35 – 11:30 + GROUP C STAY UNTIL 15:00	10 ALL CHILDREN IN FOR THE MORNING 08:35 – 11:30 + GROUP D STAY UNTIL 15:00	11 ALL CHILDREN IN ALL DAY 08:35 – 15:00
Week 3	14 ALL CHILDREN IN FULL TIME (IN CONSULTATION WITH PARENTS IF MORE STAGGERED START IS NEEDED)	15	16	17	18

You will be told your child's class name, teacher and staggered start group (A, B, C or D) when you get their class allocations before the summer break.



THANK YOU

Any questions?

