

Welcome

EYFS 2023-24



The Senior Leadership Team



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EYFS Teaching Team



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Our vision

We believe every child deserves a high quality, inclusive early education, which provides the foundations for future learning. We want our children to feel happy, safe and secure to enable them to become independent, resilient learners.



Starting school in September

- ▶ Monday 4th September – drop-in sessions with your child to familiarise yourselves with the classrooms – please sign for a time slot
- ▶ Tuesday 5th September – children begin part-time 9.00 – 12.00
- ▶ Tuesday 5th September – meet the teacher sessions – please sign up for an appointment.
- ▶ Monday 11th September – children stay for lunch – either school lunch or packed lunch. Drop off between 8.35 and 8.50, finish at 1.00
- ▶ During this second week, the children will stay for 1 full day, Tuesday or Thursday
- ▶ Monday 18th September children are full time



School timings once children are full time

- ▶ Drop off between 8.35-8.50. Gates close at 8.50
- ▶ Once the children are settled into school, they should be dropped at the wooden gate and walk around to their classroom.
- ▶ The school day finishes at 3.15
- ▶ Pick up is from the classroom doors.



What does a typical day in EYFS look like?

Morning

- ▶ Children come into class and organise their belongings/table-top activities
- ▶ Register and lunches
- ▶ Carpet session – phonics
- ▶ Child-initiated learning
- ▶ Review
- ▶ Snack
- ▶ Focused teaching session – maths- followed by linked activities
- ▶ Story
- ▶ Lunch



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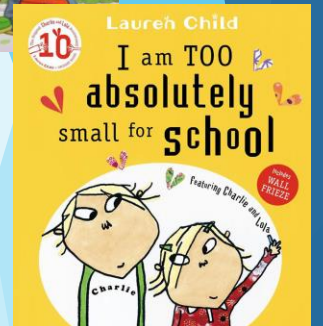
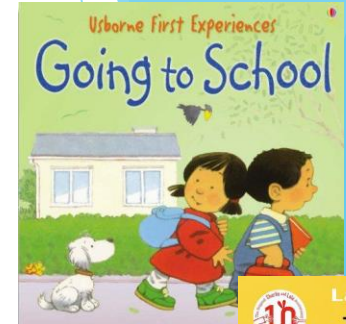
Afternoon

- ▶ Register
- ▶ Carpet session- Understanding the World
- ▶ Child initiated
- ▶ Review
- ▶ Story
- ▶ Home time.



How can I prepare my child for school?

- ▶ If your child does not attend a pre-school try and organise occasions where they experience separation from their main carer (play dates) for a few hours.
- ▶ Read stories about starting school
- ▶ Talk about starting school – worries, things that excite them etc but be positive.
- ▶ Decorate a shoe box and encourage your child to choose some special items to put inside. These can then be brought into school to share with your child's new teacher in September. Your child will receive a postcard during the holidays to explain this, please do not tell them yet as we would like the post cards to be a surprise!
- ▶ Watch the EYFS video on the Staplehurst school website [Staplehurst School - Reception Admissions 2021](#)
- ▶ Be positive





Practical ways to prepare your child for school

- ▶ Independent toilet training
- ▶ Practice washing hands independently
- ▶ Practice getting changed independently
- ▶ Clearly label every item of clothing
- ▶ Make sure your child can recognise their own name – personal symbol
- ▶ Spare clothes in their PE bag
- ▶ Encourage your child to drink water if this is not their preferred drink – refrigerate
- ▶ Encourage your child to try different fruit and vegetables – snack provided by school
- ▶ Practice eating with a knife and fork – cutting up food
- ▶ Reinforce that special toys/blankets must stay at home

What will my child need each day?

Book bag - please do not send ruck sacks as we do not have the space to store them during the day

Named water bottle - water only, no juice. Bottles are refilled as needed throughout the day

A named coat - we go outside as often as possible

PE bag - these are left in school and only taken home when needed for example washing

Spare underwear and clothes in case of accidents

Reading log book and reading book - provided by school



Home learning

- ▶ Children will be given a reading log to record their home reading.
- ▶ Reading logs will be checked and books changed twice weekly – Tuesdays and Fridays.
- ▶ The children will bring home a library book for you to share, weekly.
- ▶ Home learning is sent home on Friday and should be returned by the following Friday.
- ▶ Messages via the year group email, or urgent messages e.g. changes to pick-up via the office.



EYFS Statutory Baseline assessment

- ▶ During the first 6 weeks, teachers will carry out a baseline assessment with each child.
- ▶ Checks early literacy, communication, language and mathematics skills when they begin school.
- ▶ Uses materials that most children of your child's age will be familiar with.
- ▶ Practical tasks and an opportunity for teachers to get to know what your child can do.
- ▶ Measures progress between EYFS and Year 6.



Home-school communication

- ▶ Face to face at school pick up
- ▶ Year group email – earlyyears@staplehurst.kent.sch.uk
- ▶ School office for urgent messages during the school day
- ▶ Parents evenings
- ▶ Phonics information and drop-in sessions
- ▶ Parents into read sessions
- ▶ Twitter and weekly newsletter



Our school PRIDE values

At Staplehurst School, we show...

▶ **Positivity**

- ▶ A positive attitude to school and learning.
- ▶ Being kind and supportive to each other.

▶ **Respect**

- ▶ Showing respect to adults and each other.
- ▶ Being polite and well behaved in the classroom and around school.

▶ **Independence**

- ▶ Being independent and motivated with learning.

▶ **Determination**

- ▶ Being determined and resilient learners.
- ▶ 100% effort at all times.

▶ **Excellence**

- ▶ Setting a good example to the rest of the school.
- ▶ Demonstrating excellence in behaviour, attitude and learning.



Behaviour expectations

As per our behaviour policy, we band behaviour accordingly. Whilst our approach is always restorative and preemptive, when we do encounter behaviour that doesn't meet the high-expectations we have, the following measures/procedures are considered:

- ▶ A class behaviour chart is used – sunshine and 'wow', raincloud and 'oh dear'. Each day is a new day.
- ▶ Age-appropriate sanctions are used – calm down time
- ▶ Behaviour reported to parents at the end of the day.
- ▶ All unwanted behaviour is be taken seriously. Despite children's developmental stages, 'wanted' behaviour needs to be reinforced.



School uniform and PE Kit expectations

- ▶ In September pupils need to return in winter uniform.
- ▶ One pair of stud earrings only. Earrings must be removed on PE day
- ▶ School shoes not trainers are to be worn
- ▶ Bows should be navy or school yellow and no bigger than the palm of your child's hand. Hair below shoulders needs to be tied back.
- ▶ Blue P.E. t-shirt, blue or black shorts, plimsolls or trainers. No jewellery should be worn.
- ▶ If your child is unable to take part in P.E, please send an email to explain why.
- ▶ Ensure items of clothing, water bottles, coats, hats, bags etc are named



Rewarding pupils showing our PRIDE Values

- ▶ PRIDE Points
- ▶ Verbal praise
- ▶ PRIDE Certificates
- ▶ Class Reward Systems e.g. sunshine



Attendance

Staplehurst school is committed to the continuous raising of achievement of all our pupils. Regular attendance is critical if our pupils are to be successful and benefit from the opportunities presented to them.....Good attendance is fundamental to a successful and fulfilling school experience.
(Staplehurst School Attendance policy)

Excellent attendance 100%

Good attendance Above 97%

Satisfactory attendance at 97%

Unsatisfactory attendance below 97%

- ▶ Inform school office if your child is going to be absent



Punctuality

- ▶ As well as regular attendance, punctuality is also crucial.
- ▶ Learning begins as soon as the children enter the classroom.
- ▶ Being 10 minutes late every day equates to 5 days of lost learning over the year.
- ▶ Regular attendance and punctuality are important values to establish for beyond education.



Wrap around care

- ▶ Breakfast club arrive from 7.30am – 8.00am.
- ▶ Cost **£3.50**
- ▶ Book in advance, places limited
- ▶ After-school club 2 sessions
- ▶ Pre-book through scopay
 - ▶ 3.15pm - 4.40pm – cost £5
 - ▶ 3.15pm – 5.30pm – cost £8



**We are Kelly & Jo
(Chair & Secretary)**

Welcome to
**Staplehurst
school PTA**




Who are we?

The core PTA members are made up of working and non-working parents with children in various year groups of the school.

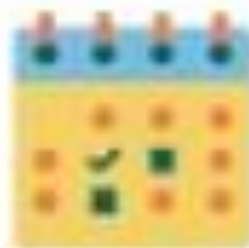
What do we do?

We exist to provide things that the school budget doesn't cover that help to bring the fun into learning and make school life extra special. We do this by running events that the kids love seeking grants, donations and sponsorship.



How do we raise funds?

Events



- Discos
- Non-school uniform days
- Welcome Back BBQ
- Pantomime
- Santa shop
- Easter trail
- Summer Fair
- Colour run

Online shopping and donations



- Easy Fundraising
- Your School Lottery
- Name tag Commission
- Raffle & gift donations
- Clothing bank
- Art projects

Grants and sponsorship



- Local Businesses
- House builders
- Utility companies
- Supermarkets
- Match funding

How do we spend funds?



Christmas crackers

Multigym equipment



Educational workshops



Musical chimes



Picnic benches



Repairs to playground equipment



PA System

Find this
leaflet in
our
Welcome
booklet
in your
new
starter
pack

How can you support Staplehurst School PTA? 5 Reasons to join



For the Children

Become a role model for your child to show you value their education. The events we plan will improve your child's school experience.



For You

Volunteering is a rewarding experience. We plan to host many social events to raise money and also enjoy each others company.



For the School

Help the school to raise funds, have a voice in the purchases that are made to support the children.



Be Connected

There is no better way of knowing what's happening in school. Meet others that share the same common goals to help improve the school.



It is fun!

We aim to enjoy ourselves in all our roles. From planning events to running a stall/raising.



Keep the PTA going

As parents leave school we need to keep the committee going. Come join our friendly team as many hands make light work.

6 Easy ways to help



easyfundraising

Easy Fundraising

Sign up to Easy Fundraising and you can donate as you shop, at no cost to you.

<http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/courses/staplehurstpta>



**YOUR
SCHOOL
LOTTERY**

Your School Lottery

Tickets £1 each, with a guaranteed school cash prize and a chance to win £25,000 (Jackpot weekly)

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/staplehurst-school-pta>



Direct donation by regular or one-off payment

We would gratefully appreciate any donations you are able to make to support our fund raising goals.

Please contact Staplehurstschoolpta@gmail.com for details



Labeling your child's property with MyHomeTags

By putting our school ID number on the checkout page we can get commission from MyHomeTags.

<https://www.myhometags.com/checkout> ID number: 33906

STIKINS

Labeling your child's property with Stikins

By getting our school fundraising number on the order page we can get commission from Stikins.

<https://www.stikins.co.uk/home-labels> ID number: 12274

easy2name

Labeling your child's property with Easy2Name

By getting our discount code on the checkout page we can get commission from Easy2Name.

<http://www.easy2name.com> FR-STAPLEHURSTPRIMARY-44

How do you find out about us?

Noticeboard



Find information on
our events on the
noticeboards inside
the entrance gates

Facebook



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