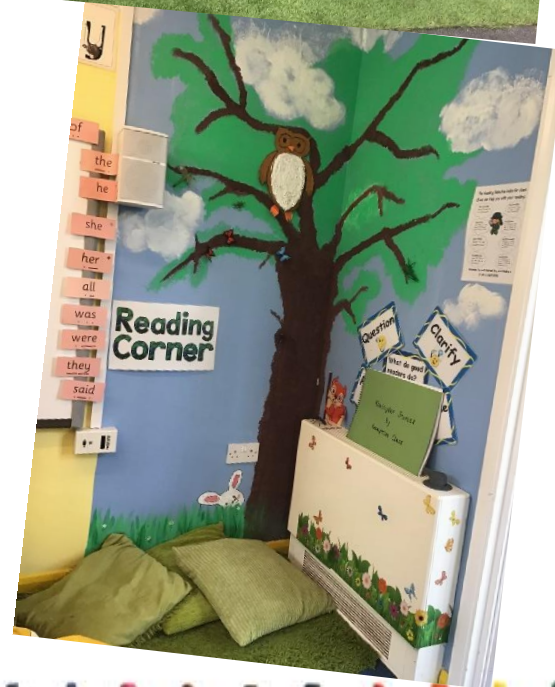


# A warm welcome to St John Fisher Catholic Voluntary Academy



# Our Learning Areas





# Our Play Park, Field and School Garden





# The Early Years Curriculum

- is divided into seven areas of learning.
- is a play and skills based approach to learning which is driven by children's interests and fascinations.



# The seven areas of learning:



Children develop skills and knowledge in these areas through a mixture of child initiated and adult directed activities.





# Early Reading

We believe that early reading is very important. We want our children to become life-long readers and promote the love of books through daily story time sessions. We encourage our children to use our lovely indoor and outdoor reading areas every day.

We also offer a personalised, online library through the *Reading Eggs* website. The children are taught how to become 'reading detectives'.



# Phonics

- We follow the Ruth Miskin Read, Write, Inc phonics programme
- The children are taught phonics daily. The session is a mixture of learning sounds, reading and writing.
- RWI phonics portal
- <https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/MI6i0NKN/JEwINbsk>



# Assessment

- Once your child is settled and happy at school, we will make baseline assessments of what they are able to do. These will be practical activities done together with myself and Mrs Lam.
- Assessments are on-going through day-to-day activities by observing what the children have learned and identifying their next steps.
- We share some of the work we do at school through an online platform called ClassDojo. Parents can also share “wow moments” from home by using the portfolio.
- We assess all of the 7 areas using the Foundation Stage Profile.





# Uniform



Please see the *Uniform* page in the *Parents* section of the school website for more details.



# PE Kit

- White polo shirt
  - Black or navy shorts
  - Black or white socks
  - Plimsolls for inside PE
  - Trainers for outside PE
  - A black or navy tracksuit is required for outdoor PE
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- Children can come to school dressed in their PE kit on PE days





# Houses

- St Matthew



- St John



- St Mark



- St Luke



# Outdoor Clothing



A sunhat is required during hot and sunny weather. Blue and white checked summer dresses are allowed to be worn during the summer months.



Your child will need a waterproof coat and wellies that can be left in school all year around.





# Your child will need:



- A book bag to keep their books in.

There is no need for big bags or rucksacks.



Your child will also need  
a water bottle...



...and a pair of plimsolls to wear  
whilst they are inside school.

**Everything** your child brings to school must be marked clearly  
with their name.





# Snack and milk time



- Every day, the children will be offered a healthy snack. This is either a piece of fruit or a vegetable. Alternatively, they are allowed to bring in their own fruit snack or vegetable snack from home or two plain biscuits.



- Through the *Cool Milk* scheme all children up until the age of 5 receive free milk and there is an option to pay for this scheme when your child turns five.



# Snacks and Lunches



- All Reception children are offered a free school meal. Alternatively, they can bring in a packed lunch from home.
- We ask that you select their meal choices for them using the on-line system “Arbor”





# Breakfast Club and After School Provision



St John Fisher provides wrap around care in the form of an on-site breakfast and after school club. Contact the school office for details.





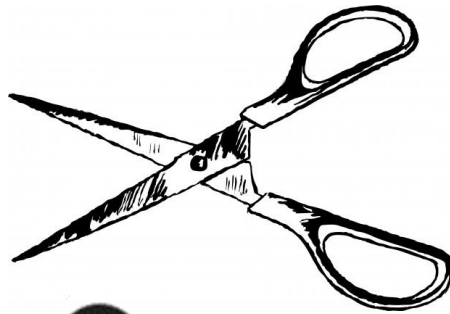
# Parents' Mornings





# Preparing for school.

Help your child to...





# Our School Motto

Aim high, Work hard, Be kind.

