

Early Years Pupil Premium

Pupil Premium is extra funding paid to school which is used to provide additional support for children. Any child may be eligible for this extra help if their parents are in receipt of the following benefits:

- Income support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act
- Child Tax Credit (provided that you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

In addition, a child will also be eligible if they:

- have been looked after by the Local Authority for at least one day
- have been adopted from care
- have left care through guardianship
- are subject to a child arrangement order

Pupil Premium funds are spent to improve outcomes for children.

For further information regarding your child's entitlement to Service Pupil Premium (SPP) please contact the main office.

Parental Responsibility

In family law, parental responsibility refers to the rights, duties, powers, responsibilities and authority that a parent has in relation to the child. Everyone who is a parent, as recognised under education law, can participate in their child's education and has the right to:

- receive information – such as pupil reports
- participate in statutory activities – such as voting in elections for parent governors
- be asked to give consent – such as agreeing for their child to take part in school trips
- be informed about meetings involving their child – such as reports from outside agencies

Parent Pay

Parent Pay enables you to pay for dinner money, trips, Extended Provision, wrap-around care and other items such as snack. We will send you an activation letter containing details to enable you to set up your Parent Pay account, once your child has started school.

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All about us - A day in Nursery

We are a 65 place Nursery that welcomes children the September after their third birthday. We have an experienced, dedicated teacher-led staff, who plan for a play-based curriculum which focusses upon child interest, stage of development and emerging next steps.

We open our doors at 8:45am and close them at 9:00am. We run two Nursery classes, both staffed by a qualified teacher, and operate sub key groups across four classroom spaces. Within each key group, the morning routine begins which comprises of registration, calendar and weather time, then Communication and Language, speaking and listening time, which also introduces our children to our FFT First Steps to Phonics programme. Our daily routines are used to teach about Number in real-life contexts, being able to count confidently, develop a deep understanding of number, simple time including now and next, days of the week and months of the year. In mathematics, we also learn about size, shape and measures, as well as patterns in number and patterns in shape. Following on from our morning routines, the children are then free to explore the indoor and outdoor space of Nursery and engage in activities planned to inspire and extend the children's play and learning. During the morning session, the children enjoy a healthy snack time, alongside their peers, with a focus on promoting social skills and table manners. Exciting activities such as Yoga, Dough Disco and 'my Happy mind' also add to the Nursery curriculum which aims at fostering skills across all areas of the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum. At 11:45am, it is time to say goodbye to our first group of friends. Children who stay for the lunchtime session will eat their meal in the Nursery setting, with their home time being 12:45pm. For the children who stay with us for the afternoon session, we continue with our exploration and learning through play, have a final healthy snack, then enjoy a rhyme and story time before getting ready for home at 3:15pm.

Extended Provision

We also offer additional wrap-around care for children, from 7:45am until 8:45am before the start of school, and again at the end of the school day from 3:15pm until 5:30pm. Nursery children who access Extended Provision spend this time within the Early Years unit.

For more information, including pricing and policies, please speak to member of staff.

Lunch

We offer children who stay for lunch, the option of a cooked meal from our school kitchen. This will be at a cost of £2 a day and is payable via Parent Pay. The menu consists of two options a day, the daily main or a jacket potato and filling. You can find more details in the Nursery Menu, within this pack.

Uniform

We ask that our children wear a school uniform when they join us. This consists of:

- grey trousers / skirt / pinafore
- blue gingham dresses or grey shorts in the summer months
- white polo shirt or white blouse / shirt (school logo optional but preferred)
- royal blue cardigan / jumper (school logo optional but preferred)
- blue school book bag (£4)
- PE bag (£4) to contain a spare set of clothes, to be kept in school.
- white / black / grey socks (we would like your support in discouraging character themed socks)
- flat black sensible school shoes

Information for Parents

***Term Dates**

Autumn Term 2024

Term starts: Wednesday 4th September

Half term: Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November

Term ends: Friday 20th December

Spring Term 2025

Term starts: Monday 6th January

Half term: Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February

Term ends: Friday 11th April

Easter Sunday: Sunday 20th April

Summer Term 2025

Term starts: Monday 28th April

May Day: Monday 5th May

Half term: Monday 26th May – Friday 30th May

Term ends: Friday 18th July

*INSET Days will be communicated to parents via the Headteacher's weekly Newsletter.



Our PTFA

We have a wonderful and dedicated PTFA that work hard to raise funds for resources and activities to enrich your child's experience in school.

For more information, please visit their Facebook page: Parents, Teachers and Friends of Five Ways Primary School.

Holidays

Parents have a legal duty to make sure their children attend school regularly. Although Nursery education is non-compulsory, when joining Five Ways parents accept the terms of our Attendance Policy. All absences not linked to illness or planned medical visits require a 'Time off during Term Time' form, to be completed and returned to the main office. Attendance at our school is monitored closely and holidays taken within term time may be subject to a penalty notice, issued by the Local Authority. Therefore, we ask that you choose to take holidays outside of term time.

In addition to this policy, parents accepting a place at our Nursery, agree to their child attending each morning session in order to receive their 15 hours entitlement of Nursery provision.

30 Hours Entitlement

Parents may be entitled to 30 hours of free child care. For more information can be found by following the link: www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

You can also discuss your eligibility with a member of staff.

Evidence Me

We use 'Evidence Me' an online platform, to record observations and learning moments, sharing these with you on a fortnightly basis. We ask that parents share home learning with us, using the same online platform. This is one of the ways that we can work together to build a strong teacher-parent relationship, underpinning our belief that parents are their child's first teacher.