



Welcome to Barnsbury Primary School and Nursery





Introductions

Head Teacher – Mrs Jo Harrup
Miss Vicky Harbridge


Deputy Head Teacher – Miss Louise Powell

SENCo – Mrs Stephanie Kimber



The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Team

Miss Beth Freeland – Oak Class Teacher
Early Years Leader



Miss Natalie Paice – Pine Class Teacher



Aims for the evening

- ➡ Meet key staff at Barnsbury
- ➡ Learn more about the school's Mission, Aims and Values
- ➡ See the school's uniform
- ➡ Learn about the Early Years Curriculum – 'A day in the life'
- ➡ Have key dates for your diary – visits and starting dates
- ➡ Opportunities to use our 'marketplace' and to ask questions.

Mission

We champion every child's potential,
igniting curiosity, nurturing
creativity and fostering Barnsbury's
core values.





Our Vision

- To champion every child's potential through outstanding learning experiences across an engaging and exciting curriculum, nurturing creativity and helping our children to discover and build upon talents and passions.
- To motivate our children to develop a positive attitude to their learning and the world around them, igniting their curiosity to want to know more.
- To instil the importance of co-operation by fostering Barnsbury's core values, respecting and celebrating diversity in our community, ensuring all members feel they belong and are valued.
- To prioritise the emotional well-being of our children by developing their resilience and independence, raising their self-belief and self-esteem, so they are prepared for an ever-changing world.
- To ensure our children are responsible users of technology, with the skills and knowledge to stay safe and show integrity whilst using the internet.



Values at Barnsbury



Barnsbury Values

Autumn 1



Autumn 2





Spring 1



Spring 2



Summer 1



Summer 2



Parent Survey

Great and friendly staff, friendly atmosphere for kids to learn, great communication.

For me it is the importance and care you have for children

You make each child feel valued and cared for. You communicate respectfully with the parents, from the teachers to the office staff to the caretaker. You are very supportive and understanding of the individual needs of both the children and their parents. You offer plenty of parent teacher consultations. A high standard of teaching.

The teachers are really good and always helpful. The school has such nice and friendly environment. It is really easy to put across your points and communicate with everyone in school.

Comfortable and home like atmosphere, my son absolutely loves his teachers which is a reflection of how warm, helpful and lovely they are with him.

Incredibly kind and welcoming school that clearly nurtures all its children.

Making sure every child matters and giving support and help when needed.

I love how they cherish diversity at the school



Home School Agreement

**Barnsbury Primary School
and Nursery**



**Home/School Agreement
2025-26**

A successful partnership between home and school
helps children thrive and reach their full potential.
Please read the agreement carefully with your child.

Rights and Responsibilities
for:

- The Children
- The Parents
- The School



A day in the life

The gate opens at 8.30 and closes at 8.50. Children enter school through the KSI gate. Registration is at 8.50.





The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Curriculum

There are Prime and Specific areas of learning which are included in all the topics covered each term.

Prime Areas:

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Physical Development
- Communication and Language

Specific Areas:

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts & Design



Adult led and child-initiated activities

Some activities are led by an adult.



Some activities are initiated by the children.



Communication and Language

Children are given opportunities to develop communication skills with adults and children.



Whole class
carpet sessions



Role play

Sharing a
book with
an adult





Developing skills for reading and writing

Mark making



Speaking and listening activities



Before we ever put a
pencil in a child's hands,
those hands should dig,
climb, press, pull,
squish, twist,
and pinch a wide
array of environments
and a wide variety
of materials.

-Amanda Morgan



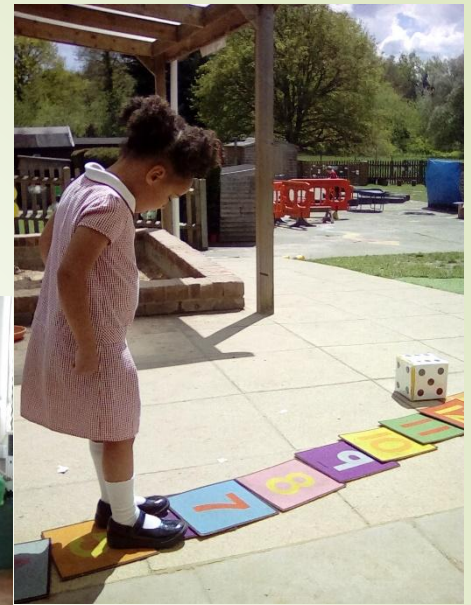
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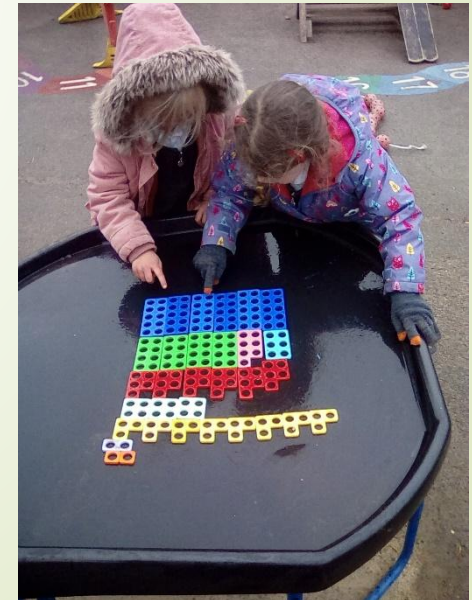


Mathematics

Maths is all around us



As children play they learn about shape and size, time and space, matching and measuring, as well as recognising numbers and counting.





Expressive Arts and Design



Singing, dancing,
playing
instruments.



Exploring textures and
combining materials.



Being imaginative.



Understanding the World



Finding out about the world around us is the beginning of science, history, geography and technology.





Physical Development



Understand the importance of physical exercise and making healthy choices.



P.E. Red shorts; white T-shirts and trainers for P.E. Plain black/grey tracksuits are acceptable for outdoor games in the Winter.





Expectations before starting school

- ➡ They can put on their coat and fasten it up.
- ➡ They can dress themselves independently.
- ➡ They can fasten their shoes.
- ➡ They can clean themselves after using the toilet and flush the toilet.
- ➡ Listening skills.
- ➡ Turn Taking.



Find out more

For more information, visit

<https://startingreception.co.uk>



School Uniform



Mon 11/8/25, 9:30 – 15:30 KS2 hall

Thu 28/8/25 9:30 – 15:30 KS2 hall



Eating lunch at school

We encourage healthy eating at school.



All children are entitled to a cooked meal which are prepared on the school premises by Tracey Freeland and her team.

Special diets – please fill in a form.



Important dates

Tuesday 1st July

Hour long Stay and Play session

Morning session, 10am-11am **with parents**

Acorns session without parents during this week

An opportunity for you and your child to revisit the classrooms and meet the team.

An opportunity for us to get to know you and your child, understanding their friendship groups, and any additional information.



Thursday 10th July

Meet your Reception class and play.

1.15 pm to 2.30pm

➡ Tea and coffee in hall - an opportunity to meet one another.





First days at school

Thursday 4th and Friday 5th September

All children will start part time – morning or afternoon session

- Children with birthday's from 1st September – 28th February will start with morning sessions 8.30-11.30am
(Gates close at 8.50)
- Children with birthday's from 1st March – 31st August will start with afternoon sessions
1.00-3.00pm



Trial Lunch

- ➡ On Monday 8th September the morning session will stay for a trial lunch and will need to be collected at 12.30pm.
- ➡ On Tuesday 9th September the afternoon children will arrive at 11.30am for a trial lunch.



First Day at School

From Wednesday 10th September, all children start full time.

- ➡ The gates will open at 8.30am and close at 8.50am in the Key Stage 1 playground.
- ➡ The class teacher or learning assistant will meet your child at the Early Years gate.
- ➡ School finishes at 3pm each day. Collection will be from the Early Years garden, by the sandpit.



Welcome
from the PTA



Communication

Tab on website www.barnsbury.surrey.sch.uk

Parentmail

Thank you