

# Pamphill CE First School



Shine like stars in the sky as  
you hold onto the word of life  
*Philippians 2:15*

*Love & Courage*



# Initio Learning Trust

Pamphill is part of the family of schools known as Initio Learning Trust (formerly Wimborne Academy Trust).

For further information on Initio Learning Trust please click [here](#).

## First Schools

- St John's First School
- Colehill First School
- Hayeswood First School
- Merley First School
- Witchampton First School
- Hillside First School
- Verwood First School

## Middle Schools

- Allenbourn Middle School
- St.Michael's Middle School
- Emmanuel Middle School
- Lockyer's Middle School

## Upper School

- Queen Elizabeth's School

## Primary Schools

- Bridport Primary
- Burton Bradstock CE Primary
- St Mary's CE Primary



## Secondary Schools

- Sir John Colfox



Mr Wheeler  
Headteacher



Mrs Legge  
Reception Class Teacher  
EYFS Lead

# Meet the Team



Mrs Lloyd  
Reception Class Teacher



Mrs Fairman  
SENCo



# Church School

- Vision and Values Central
- Collective Worship
- R.E lessons
- Pupil Worship Leaders
- Local church St. Stephen's and every week Reverend Susie leads collective worship
- Special church calendar events and performances
- Partnership with other local churches



# Our Vision Statement

**Shine like stars in the sky**  
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Philippians 2:15

## **Love**

Love is kind

Love forgives

Love is faithful

## **Courage**

Courage to be honest

Courage to persevere

Courage to be unique



# What to Expect Early Years Curriculum in a Reception Class



# A typical school day

- 8.45 Gate opens
- 8.50 Book sharing, registration and visual timetable
- 9.00 Whole class phonics
- 9.30 Morning activities
- 10.15 Fruit time, stories and poems
- 10:30 Breaktime
- 10.50 Morning activities continue
- 12.00 Lunchtime
- 1:00 Afternoon learning
- 2.30 Collective Worship
- 3.10 End of school Day



# EYFS Curriculum

## Prime areas of learning

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



David Emes  
Multi skills coach  
Mondays

# Specific Areas

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



# Reception Class

- 7 areas of Learning
- Independence
- Child Initiated
- Half-termly topics
- Trips, visitors and events
- Adult led activities
- Outdoor adventure



# Forest School

- Reception have Forest School on Wednesday afternoons for 2 hours
- Volunteers please! - DBS checks are needed



Kate Parkin  
Forest School Leader



# Visitors and Trips



# Special Events



# Preparing for school

- All uniform and belongings labelled clearly please
- Encourage independence, toileting, handwashing, cutlery, dressing (velcro shoes are handy!)
- Persevere with an activity and take turns in games
- Draw, colour and write and encourage physical play
- Count to 10 and beyond
- Spend time reading quality texts, sharing stories and having special time
- Encourage tidying up
- Encourage time away from screens
- Eating fruit whole and drinking from a water bottle
- Arriving at school on time and saying goodbye at the gate
- Keep us informed of any changes or upsets
- Be positive about starting school!

**(Do not worry this is a team effort!)**



# Uniform

- White polo shirt
- Red sweatshirt/cardigan
- Navy trousers/skirts
- White PE top
- Navy PE Shorts
- Plimsolls for indoor PE
- Trainers for outdoor PE
- Red book bag
- Wellies for outdoor play



Uniform is available from Bartletts in Wimborne.

Shoes should be 'sensible' (ie no ballet style shoes/heels) and not opened toe (in case of tripping or dropping things onto small toes) Trainers are not permitted as a day to day shoe; they are for outdoor play or games only. Please name all items including shoes and wellies!



# Attendance

Term dates have been provided in your pack.

We ask that all children arrive in school at 8.45am.

At Pamphill, we know how important good attendance is for children's well-being and progress.

## What to do when your child is absent from school?

- Telephone the school office, phone number 01202 883008 or email on [office@pamphillfirstschool.org](mailto:office@pamphillfirstschool.org) on the first day of absence to explain the reason why your child is away from school
- If your child is absent for more than one day, please keep the school informed during your child's absence
- If your child has a medical or dental appointment please try to make them out of school hours if possible. If they are in school hours please bring in their appointment card or letter so we can put a copy in their file

## Family holidays during term time:

- The school does not authorise absence for family holidays during the school term
- Parents and carers who choose to take their child out of school for holidays should be aware that such absence will be recorded as 'unauthorised' on the child's record and may result in a penalty notice (fine).



# Pupil Premium and Free School Meals

If eligible, registering child you could raise an extra £1385 for Pamphill CE First School per year. This funds valuable support for your child such as: extra tuition, music lessons, school uniform, free clubs, breakfast club (if we can get one running), help with funding school trips and extra resources for use in school as well as free school meals.

This additional money is available from central government for every child whose parent is receiving one of the welfare benefits listed below or the household income is below £16,190 / or you are receiving one or more of the below welfare benefits.

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you receive any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit - provided you're 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
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)



# FAQs

Q: Does my child need to bring a backpack to school?

A: No, just their book bag (and lunch box if they choose to have a packed lunch)

Q: Can my child have a free school lunch?

A: Yes, there is a choice each day and you can order online (more details to follow)

Q: Will my child be given a snack and milk at school?

A: Yes, a fruit/vegetable snack and milk are provided every day. Milk is free up until your child's fifth birthday. Following that, they will need to pay for milk if they would still like it.

Q: Will my children go out to play with all the other children in school?

A: Yes, because we are a small school we all use the same playground.

Q: Do I have to send my child full time?

A: If you are unsure about your child attending full time please do talk to Mr Wheeler.

Q: What can I do to help my child once they start school?

A: We will be holding reading and maths workshops in the Autumn term to explain how these areas are taught in school and how your help is invaluable to your child.

If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.



We look forward to seeing you and  
your child over the Summer term

Stay and Play

Tuesday 4th July Group 1 (2.00 - 3.00)

Thursday 6th July Group 2 (2.00 - 3.00)

Transfer Day

Friday 7th July

Group 1 (9.45 - 10.30)

Group 2 (11.00 - 11.45)

Welcome Packs -  
please return June 30th



# September

## Home Visits

Tuesday 5th and Thursday 7th September - Please sign up for all suitable slots tonight

## School Begins

Friday 8th September at 8.45am until 1pm - Please send your child with a packed lunch

Monday 11th September 8.45am until 3.10

