

Welcome to Hargrave Park primary school.

Our School Motto is - We Aim High

We have the highest aspirations for our children and strive to ensure that our provision enables them to achieve their very best. We are a one and a half form entry primary school with children's centre facilities.

Many visitors to our school comment on the fantastic welcome they receive when they come to our school.

We are a small school with a dedicated and hard working staff team. As a result there is a strong ethos of care, guidance and support.

Best wishes

Mrs Lisa Horton Headteacher



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Our Nursery

Our Nursery follows the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum.

We work to provide a supportive, safe and secure environment for our youngest children to learn, play and develop.

The Early Years Foundation Stage (E.Y.F.S.) is the stage of education for children from birth to the end of the Reception year.

It is based on the recognition that children learn best through play and active learning.

Your child will be learning skills, acquiring new knowledge and demonstrating their understanding through 7 areas of learning and development

Children begin by developing the **3 prime** areas:

- 1. Communication and Language
- 2. Physical Development
- 3. Personal Social and Emotional development.

As children grow, the prime areas help them to develop skills in **4 specific areas**. These are:

- 1. Literacy
- 2. Mathematics
- 3. Understanding the World
- 4. Expressive Arts and Design.



We believe in the importance of high quality resources to support learning, paired with attuned adult interactions to challenge and extend children's thinking.

Whilst following a topic theme each half term we also incorporate the children's interests wherever possible.

Learning is further enhanced with a range of educational enrichment experiences.



The School Day

We have a **'soft start'** at the beginning of the day. This means that children can go to their classrooms from 8.40.

During 'soft start' the children can read, or complete independent 'early work', such as maths or spelling puzzles, number puzzles, or respond to artwork on the interactive whiteboard.

In line with best Early Years practice, children in the Foundation Stage have access to outdoor provision all day.

As each class goes out to play, they collect their hamper, which provides a healthy mid-morning snack

Home time

Children in the Foundation Stage are collected from their classrooms, whilst children in years 1 to 6 are brought out to the playground and dismissed by their class teachers at 3.30pm.





This award acknowledges our high levels of pastoral care, our PSHE curriculum and the range of physical activity, PE and Sport that we offer. It also acknowledges the wider provision of the school across the extended day, including food and activities during breakfast club and after school club.



Lunches

School Lunches are cooked on site daily by our caterers Caterlink. Caterlink is an award winning food service provider catering for many Primary Schools.

Times of lunches are detailed below: 11.30am - Babies, Toddlers and Nursery

Birthdays

If it is your child's birthday and you would like to share a cake with their class, please be aware that we will only allow shop bought cup cakes (without nuts) only.





Keeping up to date with School Life

- A fortnightly newsletter is produced for families which shares all the great things that happen in school
- Groupcall Xpressions and the school website/App
- Notice boards around the school
- You are invited to watch your child's class assemblies
- You will receive a report about your child at the end of each term
- Parent Consultation Evenings are held 3 times a year
- The Friends of Hargrave Park are always looking for volunteers
- You can see regular updates on Tapestry, you can also add the exciting things you do at home so we can share these together in class.



Full attendance maximises the opportunities for inclusion and achievement at school so that each pupil is able to realise his/her full potential.

Mr Bond- Pastoral Care Manager



Attendance

Registers are taken at 9.00am sharp. Children who arrive after this time must collect a late card from the school office. Please be on time or come during soft start (8.40am onwards). Vital learning is lost when late, and children can become distressed if you are late to pick them up.

All absences must be reported by 8.30am each day.

This can be done by the following:

- calling the school office and pressing option 1
- emailing

parents@hargravepark.Islington.sch.uk

Holidays in term time

Hargrave Park operates in line with the local authority policy and does not authorise holidays within Term Time.

Holidays taken in term time are referred to the Education Welfare Officer who may issue Fixed Penalty Notices. Please note notices are per parent, per child.



Your child can attend school with...

Toothache Earache Headache Sore throat Conjunctivitis Glandular Fever Head lice Molluscum Contagiosum (viral skin condition) Ringworm Threadworm Warts and Verrucae Cough/Cold – If your child has asthma, remember they may need their blue inhaler more often Hand, Foot and Mouth

Supporting your child's attendance

If your child has been diagnosed with the following:

Chicken pox – Child can return to school 5 days from the onset of rash **Diarrhoea and vomiting** – can return to school 48 hours from the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting

Influenza (flu) – Children should return to school as soon as they have recovered German Measles (Rubella) – Keep off of school for 6 days from onset of rash Impetigo – Keep off of school until lesions are crusted/healed, or 48 hours after starting antibiotic treatment.

Measles – Keep child off of school for 4 days from the onset of rash **Mumps** – Keep off of school for 5 days from onset of swollen glands **Scabies** – Child can return after first treatment

Whooping cough – 5 days from starting antibiotic treatment, or 21 days from onset of illness if no antibiotic treatment has been given.

Doctors notes will be required for all of the above



Medication in School

Your child does not need to be kept at home, just because they are taking medication. If your child needs to take prescribed medication during the school day, please complete the medical consent form which can be found on the school app.

Please make sure that all contact details are up to date in case your child is not well enough to stay in school.

Bumped Heads

If your child has bumped their head, you will only be called if your child complains of feeling sick, dizziness and/or headache. A text/email will be sent to you informing you if they did bump their heads during the day.



School Uniform

Top Hargrave Park Logo T Shirt Hargrave Park Fleece

Bottoms Dark full length bottoms Velcro shoes – No laces please

> **Baggage** Hargrave Park Book bag

Jewellery Earrings – Plain sleepers or studs No other jewellery to be worn



Please ensure bottoms and shoes are appropriate for the weather as we go out in the rain, sun and snow! Please be aware that clothes will get messy, wet and children may have accidents; we don't want to spoil any of your favourite clothes!

Please ensure all clothing is labelled - even shoes!

Please ensure your child is no longer in nappies once they start Nursery. There are no changing facilities for them as we expect that they will be managing this themselves now. We are aware accidents happen and will be doing everything we can to support them and help them get changed.

Toys from home - We have plenty of toys to play with, please don't bring in any from home, they may get lost or broken. Every child will have a turn for show and tell – this is when you can bring your special toy in.

