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Welcome

Welcome to the Foundation Stage Unit at Sparkenhoe Community Primary School. We hope that you and your children will enjoy the time you spend with us. This booklet contains all the useful information that you will need as your child begins life at school.

Our unit is happy and friendly, and we hope that you feel relaxed and welcome as your child begins their time with us. We have a very experienced and dedicated team who are at all times striving to provide your child with the very best.

Should you have any problems or queries about anything, please do not hesitate to see a member of staff. The best time to discuss any problems is after school, at 3pm. We firmly believe that your child's education is a partnership between school and home, and we look forward to working with you.



Learning together



Friends

Caring



Sharing

Incentives and Rewards

Every week we have a celebration assembly on Friday morning in the hall. Each week two children are chosen as pupils of the week and presented with a certificate. This might be for good behaviour, trying hard with their activities and being kind to others. We celebrate children's birthdays, reading achievements and present the attendance trophy.

Stickers, stars and certificates are awarded throughout the day in each class.

School hours



Children should come to class at **8.30am** where they settle to activities and write their names.

The Register is taken at **8:45am**. Any children who arrive after this time will be **marked as late in the register**. The cloakroom door will closed.

Please let us know if your child is too ill to come to school—ring 0116 2512686. If you do not ring us we will text you to find out where your child is.

School finishes at 3:00 pm. We ask all parents to wait outside the classroom door until we open it to you so that your child can listen to story time and any messages from the teachers without being distracted.

Children must be collected from the classroom by a designated named adult on our school records (these records can be added to and modified over the year if necessary).



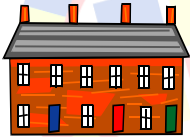
We encourage children to drink milk each day. Each child is entitled to free milk until their 5th birthday.



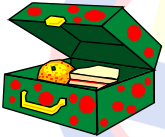
At break time we have a piece of free fruit each day.

Lunch time

You can either:-



- Stay for school dinner for free!
- Or bring a packed lunch; typically a sandwich, a piece of fruit and a carton of juice. **No cans or fizzy drinks. Please avoid any foods with nuts.**



Some children find lunchtime very stressful and if that is the case alternative arrangements can be made for your child.

P.E

Children will have P.E. — usually on Thursdays in the hall or outside.

Children must bring a P. E. kit of navy blue jogging bottoms and T-shirt. You can also purchase uniform at the Saxby office.



It is important that children wear a vest or a t-shirt and pants each day under school uniform. Spare clothes could be kept in their P.E bag.

Bags to keep your P.E. kit in are available from the office.

Jewellery

For the safety of all children, on PE days **all jewellery must be removed, especially earrings.**

Label belongings

Please also help us by writing your child's name in their school clothes. As you can imagine when something, especially a school jumper, goes missing it is very difficult to identify it if it is not labelled.

We can help by letting you use our special waterproof pens—just ask us to lend it to you.

Your Name

School Uniform

Some of the school uniform can be purchased from local supermarkets at a reasonable price.



School uniform is compulsory for all Sparkenhoe school children. You can purchase official school sweat shirts and fleeces online.

Home Readers in F2

Home reading books are given to children to share with a member of the family at home or to read independently.

It is very important that you talk about the reading books with your child at home. If your child brings home some words on cards please help them to practice reading these words daily.

When you share a book with your child please talk about the pictures, what is happening in the story and ask your child what they think might happen next. These activities are as important as reading the words on each page.

Your child will also be given a 'Reading Miles' track which can be signed by an adult each time a story is shared.

Please talk to your class teacher if you have any questions about reading with your child.

The books sent home in book bags MUST be brought to school every day.

We will visit the school library every week. Please bring back your library book on Thursdays.



Foundation 2 2019-20

The themes we will be looking at this year
(These might change as the year goes on)

Our Curriculum is topic led following the requirements of the National Curriculum.



Topics

Autumn 1	All about me! Houses and Homes
Autumn 2	Winter Weather Land Day and Night Space
Spring 1	People who help us Words and Roads
Spring 2	Minibeasts Life Cycles
Summer 1	Fur and Feathers City Gardens, Country Farms
Summer 2	Growing Water Wonders Holidays

Outside Play

As a part of the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum, the outdoor area will be used for learning throughout the day.

It is essential that all children bring suitable warm, waterproof outdoor clothing to school every day.