

# Warden House Primary School



**Parents & Carers' Welcome Meeting  
Monday 17th June 2019**



# **Aims of the meeting:**

**Welcome!**

**Introduce key staff**

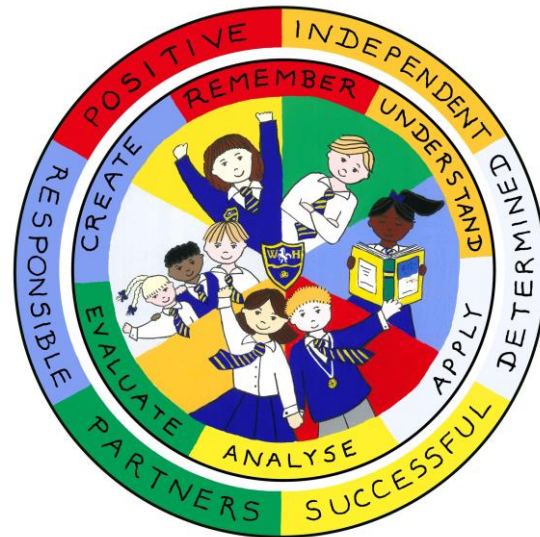
**Provide Key Information**

**Share Transition Arrangements**

**Clarify Expectations for the start of term**

**Answer any Questions**

# A Very Warm Welcome

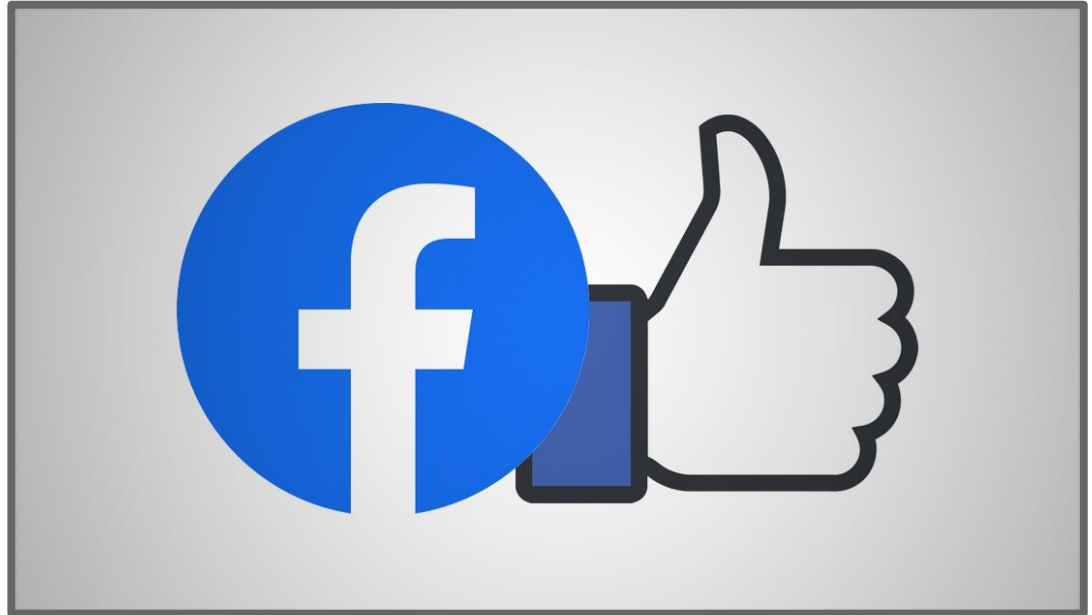


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# Meet the Key Staff

**Miss Lund - Class Teacher for Foxes Class and EYFS Team Leader**

**Miss Hodges - Class Teacher Rabbits Class**

**Mrs Carpenter - Teaching Assistant**

**Mrs Coomer - Teaching Assistant**

**Mrs Weir - Teaching Assistant**

**Mrs Humphries - Specialist Speech and Language**

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**Mrs Alldis (SENCO support)**

**Mrs Brady (FLO)**

**Mrs Lawson (Inclusion)**

**Mr Hackett (Headteacher)**

**Mr Atkinson (Deputy Headteacher)**

**Mr Chisnell (Executive Head)**

**FLO**

Mrs Rebecca Brady

Family Liaison Officer



# What is the EYFS?

- EYFS describes children's development from birth to 5.
- Children's experience of Early Years should be happy, active, exciting, fun and secure; and support their development, care and learning needs.
- 7 areas of learning and development -
  - 3 prime areas
    - Communication and language;
    - Physical development; and
    - Personal, social and emotional development.
  - 4 specific areas
    - Literacy;
    - Mathematics;
    - Understanding the world; and
    - Expressive arts and design.

# How can you help your child be ready for school?


- With the exception of medical needs we expect children to be toilet trained when they start school.
- Children should be beginning to dress and undress themselves.
- Children should be able to use a knife and fork independently.
- Read books together.
- Reduce screen time.
- Take every opportunity to talk to your child.



# Communication:


- Start and End of Day
  - We have an open door policy. Please feel free to ask us any questions, pass on key information etc. at the door when dropping off or collecting your child.
- Reading Record/Contact Book
  - Please sign each time your child reads their book. Add any comments about their reading if you wish to. Books will be sent home after the children's first full week.
- Tapestry
  - This is our main method of assessment. Photos of your child's learning will be added regularly along with comments and the areas of learning covered.

# Tapestry Online Learning Journal



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## SOME EXAMPLES



Tilly made a monkey in the workshop area! She cut all the pieces out that she needed and glued them all together!! She then went to add to it by making a tree for him to hold!

### Assessments

- Expressive Arts and Design -- Exploring and using media and materials -- 40-60 months
  - Constructs with a purpose in mind, using a variety of resources.
  - Uses simple tools and techniques competently and appropriately.
  - Selects appropriate resources and adapts work where necessary.
  - Selects tools and techniques needed to shape, assemble and join materials they are using.

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# Transition Arrangements:

- Stay and Play Sessions on either Wednesday 26th June or Thursday 27th June will give you and your child the opportunity to explore the environment and meet key staff.
- Transition Morning on Thursday 4th July (including lunch for children) -  
Collection from 12:15 pm
- Meetings with Nurseries and Nursery visits are already taking place.
- Week 1 home visits.
- Week 2 mornings only with pupils staying for lunch.
- Week 3 onwards - all pupils in full time.

# Home Visits

- Home visits are a really good way for staff to begin to get to know both you and your child and vice versa.
- It is a great opportunity to spend some time in a relaxed atmosphere, exchanging information and planning your child's start at school. You will also have the chance to ask questions and express any concerns you may have.
- Each visit will last 20-30 minutes.

It is not an inspection of you or your home!

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# Other Key Staff

Mr Atkinson - Deputy Headteacher

Mrs Alldis- SENCo

Mrs Brady - Family Liaison Officer (FLO)

Mrs Lawson - Inclusion Support

Mrs Humphries (Speech and Language TA)

Mrs Bennett - Attendance

Mrs Hunter-Wardle - Finance Officer

# **PTFA**

Chair - Gemma Lawson

Vice Chair - Caroline Luck

Secretary - Alessandra Odendaal

Contact via [PTFA@warden-house.kent.sch.uk](mailto:PTFA@warden-house.kent.sch.uk)



# Safeguarding Team

Safeguarding of all children is our top priority.

We have five DSLs (Designated Safeguarding Leads)

- Mr Hackett
- Mr Atkinson
- Mrs Brady
- Mrs Lawson
- Mrs Alldis

# Whole School Meals



The image shows a screenshot of the 'Whole School Meals' website. The background is a collage of fresh produce including bananas, corn, mushrooms, and various vegetables. The website layout includes a logo, a navigation menu, a main image of kitchen staff, a headline, a mission statement, and a row of three small images at the bottom.

**whole SCHOOL meals**

Whole School Meals | Real Food for Real Energy

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School Dinner App

Meals Prepared by People Who Care...

Our driving force is to feed our school children well using high-quality, local, fresh ingredients in 'home-made' food .

Three small images at the bottom: a school canteen, children eating, and bread rolls.

# Free School Meals Registration

Although children in Year R, 1 and 2 are all automatically entitled to universal Free School Meals from the start of their time in school, we still ask all eligible families to register for Free School Meals as soon as possible so that the school can claim the Pupil Premium for your child.

The Pupil Premium - currently an annual payment of £1320 per pupil - is paid to the school and is used to provide a range of educational resources that are used to directly support the progress of children at Warden House.

To encourage all eligible families to apply, we are offering £30 of credit to our School Gateway that can be used to be for a range of educational visit and experiences.

We are happy to support with this process(see Mrs Bennett) or are happy to meet in confidence should you prefer. Parents can also apply online at <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/kent/> The school is notified immediately following a successful application.

# Free School Meals Criteria

We may be able to access Pupil Premium funding for your child if you get 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 2019 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)*

# Attendance:

Expectations are that children are in school every day.

Attendance is monitored closely.

Headteacher's power to authorise family holiday has been removed.

Only very exceptional circumstances will absence be authorised.

Illness - We will look after your children. We can administer medication as necessary if a consent form is signed.

In the case of minor illnesses we would recommend sending children to school following a dose of calpol.

We will look after children. If they are genuinely unwell, we will contact you.

# How to find out more:

Visit our website at: [www.warden-house.kent.sch.uk](http://www.warden-house.kent.sch.uk)

Follow our Facebook feed for regular updates on school life

Visit [www.veritasmat.co.uk](http://www.veritasmat.co.uk) for information about our academy trust, non-curriculum policies and other schools

Summer Fair - Friday 28 June between 3:15 pm and 5 pm

Come along to our Exhibition Evening on Tuesday 9th July to meet teachers and share the successes from across the school

Email to [office@warden-house.kent.sch.uk](mailto:office@warden-house.kent.sch.uk) who will be able to direct your question to the correct member of staff.