



Olive School

NURTURING TODAY'S **YOUNG PEOPLE,**  
INSPIRING TOMORROW'S **LEADERS**



# Reception Welcome Meeting

Olive School Hackney

8-7-2020

# Welcome!

- On behalf of everyone here at Olive Hackney, WELCOME to a new and exciting stage in your child's life. During their year, your child will make new friends, enjoy new Reception experiences and learn the vital new skills of reading and writing.
- We, teachers and parents, have the chance to work as partners to ensure that at the end of this school year, your child will have a positive attitude towards their education based on social and academic confidence.



# Today we hope to:

## Give

Give you an overview of the school, Trust and Early Years Foundation Stage.

## Share

Share key information and dates.



# STAR Academies

Star Academies is a mixed Multi-Academy Trust that runs a diverse network of primary and secondary schools. We are a values-based organisation, committed to enhancing social mobility. All our efforts are geared towards raising the aspirations of children and young people in areas of social and economic deprivation to improve their life chances and help them succeed at the highest levels of education, employment and the professions.



Star Academies is one of the country's leading education providers, and our schools promote excellence in everything they do. In every school, the entire staff team – working in partnership with parents and the local community – is committed to nurturing today's young people and inspiring tomorrow's leaders.

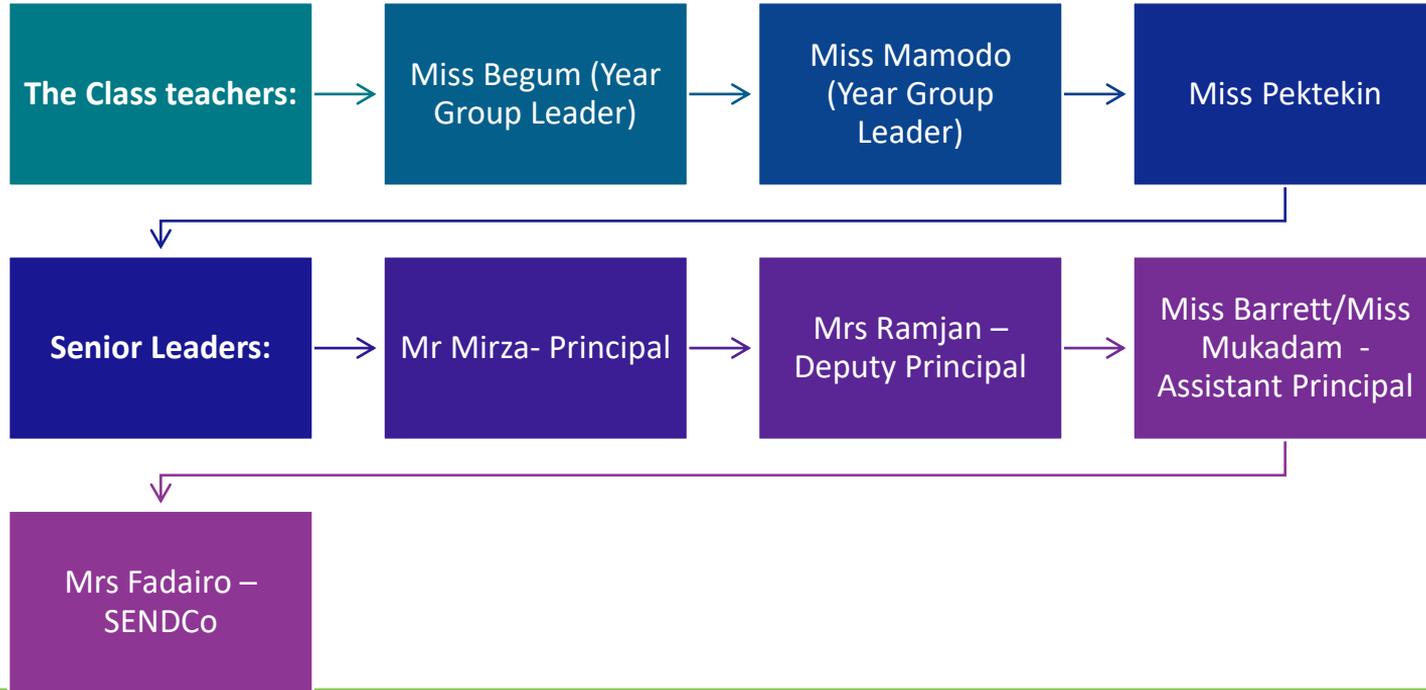




# Mission

- Our vision is wide-ranging. It encompasses aspiration, educational excellence, system leadership, social mobility and cohesion.
- We aim to:
- Transform the educational achievement of the nation's young people, schools and academies
- Elevate the life chances of young people in areas of social and economic deprivation – from all backgrounds – to help them succeed at the highest levels of education, employment and the professions
- Lead a national drive based on rigour and high expectations designed to improve school standards
- Provide more choice for parents by offering them the chance to send their children to an inspirational school
- Ensure ambition and high aspirations are rewarded through all our schools
- Make a demonstrable impact on social mobility and equality in communities that have called out for change for so long
- Create a diverse network of faith and non-faith schools, ensuring every child has access to a first-rate education that embodies opportunity for all
- In doing so we will nurture today's young people and inspire tomorrow's leaders.

# Staff



# WHAT IS EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE?

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The Foundation Stage begins in Nursery and continues through to Reception.



We help the children to learn through playing, exploring and being active. This means children will take part in a range of fun, practical activities; some of which are adult led, some guided by adults and some will be child-initiated.



We follow the EYFS Framework which explains how and what your child will be learning. It is very flexible so it can be adapted to the children's needs and interests.

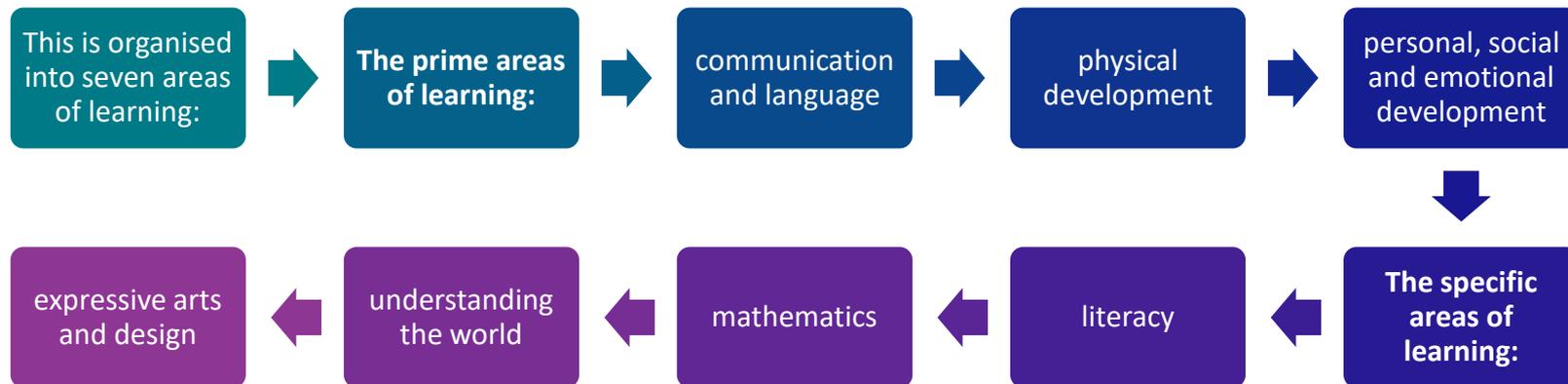


# Our Aim

- Our fundamental aim is to provide an active and stimulating start to each child's education through play, exploration and talk in order to develop motivated children who have a joy for learning.



# FOUNDATION STAGE CURRICULUM



# The First Few Weeks

- **Staggered Start Date** You will be given a date that your child will start at Reception. It may be different to other people you know, but please only bring your child on the date specified.
- **Baseline** We will carry out baseline assessment to find out what your child already knows and can do and use this information to help us develop an individual learning programme for each child.



# LEARNING JOURNEYS - TAPESTRY

- Each child has their own Learning Journey where we keep evidence of the children's learning and samples of work or photographs of what they have been doing. This is a web based programme where you can look at what your child has achieved throughout the day, photographs and videos, you can even upload your own photos so that staff can see what your child can do at home.



# DAILY ROUTINES



Registration – 8.30am in the Alkham Road playground.



Core lessons – phonics and English



Playtime - 10.15am. Fruit and milk provided in the morning.



Core lessons - maths



Lunch 11.45am – Children are always closely monitored by lunchtime supervisors.



Home time - 2.45pm in the Alkham Road playground, Friday 11.45am



# Lunchtime and Snacks

Your child is entitled to a free school meal

They can also be provided with a packed lunch from home if you prefer.

Your child will get lots of help and support throughout their first few lunchtimes.

Fruit – fruit in classroom and fruit supplied in afternoon play

No fizzy drinks, chocolates or sweets in packed lunches as we will be applying for 'Healthy Schools' status

Drinks bottles – water only

No nuts or food with nuts in as we have children with severe nut allergies.



# School Uniform



All children are expected to wear the full school uniform.



School will provide one set of school uniform, PE uniform, book bag and PE bag free of charge for all children entitled to FSM.



Please label **all items** of clothing as clearly as possible.



Please teach your child to fasten/unfasten their own buttons, zips and shoes.



You'll find the uniform expectations in the handbook – please ensure your child wears black shoes, not trainers.



# Equipment

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## Book Bag:

 Only bring to school on a Wednesday – this will be given back to you on Fridays

 Books to share at home

 Reading Record Book

 Word lists

 Homework

 P.E. Uniform - Required from the Autumn term – wear to school



# Communication

- > Member of staff outside on the door every day
- > Parent notice board in the playground
- > Through our website: [olivehackney.com](http://olivehackney.com)
- > Text messaging service
- > Newsletters
- > Letters home
- > Twitter: [twitter.com/olive\\_hackney](https://twitter.com/olive_hackney)



# Your Role

- > Ensure your child comes to school every day and on time – we are very strict about absences.
- > Ensure your child comes to school in correct uniform and is smart and proud of their appearance.
- > Ensure your child arrives each day ‘ready to learn’.
- > Support your child with any tasks to be completed at home.
- > Be engaged with the school



# Parental Engagement – Autumn Term

- > Termly Curriculum Newsletter – things that your child will be learning
- > Phonics workshops
- > Tapestry workshops
- > Reading workshops
- > Homework Challenges
- > Spirituality Day
- > Teacher/parent meetings



- > On our website you will find:
- > This presentation
- > A welcome video
- > Parent handbook



- > We look forward to welcoming your child to Olive School Hackney and working in partnership with you.
  - > Any questions, please email:
    - > [info@olivehackney.staracademies.org](mailto:info@olivehackney.staracademies.org)

