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Welcome to



Infant Department

Hello!

Well hasn't 2020 been a strange year? Lots of us have been working at home and in St. Anthony's we have made some changes to the classrooms so they look a bit different.

This is what Chestnut class looks like right now.



All the changes are to keep us all safe. We will work hard to keep the Infant Department a friendly welcoming place for each child.

What your child needs for school

- Red sweatshirt
- Grey or black trousers, skirt, dress. If getting dressed and undressed is difficult for them please consider grey or black tracksuit bottoms for your child.
- White or blue polo shirt
- Shoes with velcro fasteners they can do up themselves
- Waterproof trousers and coat and a pair of wellies to keep at school.
- P.E. kit – shorts, red polo shirt, pumps

Please write your child's name or initials in ALL clothes, it is very easy to get clothes mixed up after swimming or P.E. otherwise.

Who we are....

We are five infant classes with children aged from 4 to 7.

- One class supporting children with a range of additional needs. This is Chestnut class.
- Three classes catering for children who need an Autism Spectrum Condition (A.S.C.) approach to education. These are Oak , Rowan, Apple 1 and Apple 2.

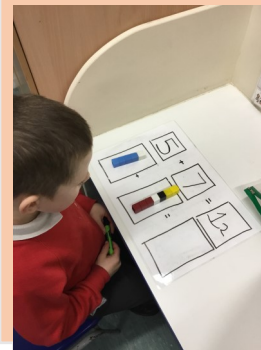
We use an early education approach to provide an individualised, holistic curriculum.

The children work on four key areas.....

Communication and interaction



Cognition and learning



Physical and sensory



SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL



What to do if your child is ill

If your child is ill please phone the school office to let them know he or she will be off school. The office staff will tell the class teachers.

If your child has been sick or has had diarrhoea they should stay at home for 48 hours from the last bout of illness.

This is to protect the other children and staff from falling ill.

If your child needs to take medicine during the school day the medical team will ask you to fill in a form giving us permission to give him or her medication.

Toileting

Please supply nappies, if your child still wears them, as well as wipes and nappy sacks.

If you are working on toileting at home we are happy to support you, just let us know.

Spare clothes in school are often useful should your child have an accident.

Snack and cooking

We ask parents to contribute 50p a week or £3.50 each half term to cover the cost of snack items and cooking ingredients. We use snack and cooking times as a valuable learning opportunity covering lots of skills from counting and measuring to practising fine motor skills. All that and we can eat it too!

Keeping in touch

We use a home-school book to let you know what has happened to your child each day. You might read about activities he or she has been doing or what they've eaten for lunch. You can use the book to tell us how your child has been at home, any WOW moments where your child has made you

If you are worried or concerned about anything please call to talk to the class teacher. Alternatively our Pastoral Manager might be able to help.

In the Autumn term we have an Open Evening to look around all the department and facilities in the school. In Summer term we have Parent's Evening.

Lastly we hope your child looks forward to their time in the Infant department. All the staff at the school work hard to make it a happy learning environment and we look forward to welcoming your child and you to St. Anthony's.

From Mrs Appleton and Ms Delaney

