

Welcome to Sandal Primary

New to Nursery Parents' Information Evening
June 2025

Our vision at Sandal...

"We are enthusiastic about providing a responsive and aspirational environment that challenges, encourages and inspires everyone. We are committed to maintaining a caring, stimulating atmosphere that nurtures confidence, self-esteem, respect and independence to support early learning and development."



Foundation Stage



What is the Foundation Stage?

The Foundation Stage is the stage of education for children from **three** to the **end of the Reception year**.

The Foundation Stage Curriculum is based on the recognition that children learn best through **play and active learning** as well as structured teaching.

How is the EYFS curriculum organised?



Prime Areas

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

Specific Areas

4. Literacy.
5. Mathematics.
6. Understanding the world.
7. Expressive arts and design.

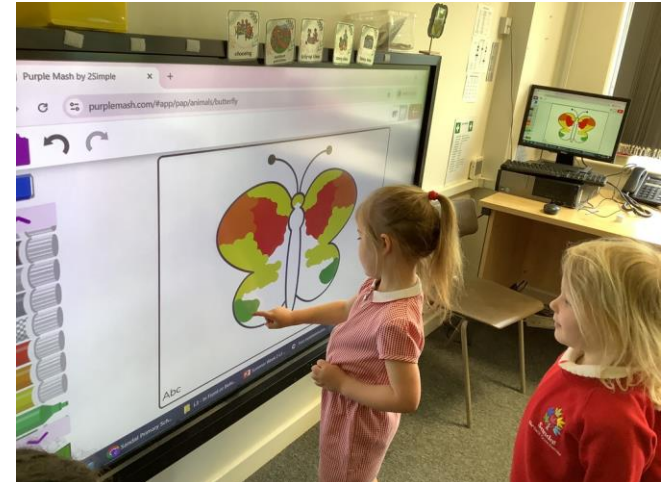
Learning Indoors



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Sandal
Primary School & Nursery



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Learning Outdoors



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Other opportunities



Parent Partnership



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Transition to Nursery



Meet and Greet sessions

Please accompany your child to come and look around the nursery setting on one of these three dates:

- **Wednesday 25th June 9:30 – 11:30 am**
- **Wednesday 2nd July 9:30 – 11:30 am**
- **Friday 11th July 1:15 – 2:45 pm**

Appointments start on the hour and half hour.

Appointments can be made in person tonight or by emailing caroline.smith@sandalprimaryschool.co.uk

Transition to Nursery

First day

- Mon 1st Sept – Start of the week &
Full time children

On the first day, please drop off between
9:00 am – 9:30 am.

- Wed 3rd Sept – End of the week children
(12:15 pm)

A typical Nursery session

- 8:50 - 9:00 am Nursery starts – say goodbye at the door. A member of staff will support the children to put away their belongings.
- Self-register cards.
- Small group input with Key Person.
- Free flow play – indoor provision.
- Small group input with Key Person.
- Snack time.
- Free flow indoor / outdoor.
- Tidy up time.
- Lunch starts at 12.00 pm. Children to have lunch with the Nursery staff in 'The Meadow'.

A typical Nursery session

- When children have finished their lunch, return back to Nursery for free flow indoor / outdoor provision.
- 1:00 pm Afternoon register on the carpet.
- Small group / Whole class input with Key Person.
- Free flow indoor / outdoor.
- Tidy up time
- Story time
- 3:00 pm Home time

Wednesdays!!

- ❖ 11:45 am - Start of the week part time children go home.
- ❖ 12:00 am – Full time children start lunch
- ❖ 12:15 pm – End of the week part time children to arrive. Please send them with a packed lunch to eat on arrival alongside the full-time children.

Packed Lunches

Suggestions for a healthy packed lunch

- ☐ Sandwich – meat, fish, dairy, salad.
- ☐ Yoghurt, fromage frais or custard.
- ☐ A drink: water, milk, fruit juice, smoothie
- ☐ Cereal bars rather than cakes and biscuits.
- ☐ Seeds, fruit, crackers and cheese and vegetable or bread sticks with a dip.

Rubbish to be taken home so you can see what they've eaten.

Packed Lunches



Suggestions for food to include less often in a healthy packed lunch

- ☐ Snacks such as crisps
- ☐ Chocolate coated biscuits
- ☐ Cakes
- ☐ Meat and pastry products such as sausage rolls or pies

Suggestions for food to not include in a healthy packed lunch

- ☐ Sweets
- ☐ Nut or nut products
- ☐ Fizzy drinks

To start Nursery, you will need

- Names on all school uniform, including shoes and coats.
- A pairs of wellies to be left in school.
- A bag containing spare clothes, in case of accidents.
- Optional - waterproof for visiting the woods.
- Packed lunch box and drinks bottle.
- Please refrain from allowing your child to bring toys to nursery.

The first few weeks

We will find out what the children
already know & can do
& use this information to help us
plan appropriate learning
for each child.

We would value any contributions
you would like to make in helping us
get to know your child's needs.
**Please fill in the 'All About Me' booklet
on behalf of your child and return to
us at the 'Meet & Greet' session.**

Communication Between Home & School



- A settling in meeting if you feel you require one.
- A Newsletter every half term.
- Absence Notification / Phone Call.
- An informal chat at the end of the session if necessary.
- Parents' evenings twice a year.
- Wow moments to contribute to your child's profile via our online learning platform 'Tapestry'
www.tapestryjournal.com



Last but not least

Thank you for your attendance this evening and we look forward to meeting you.

Finally

- Please remember to book your Meet and Greet session at caroline.smith@sandalprimaryschool.co.uk
- Please return your admission forms to the school office ASAP.
- Please bring the completed 'All about Me' booklet and collection form to your Meet and Greet session.

Any questions?