Appleton Primary School

Early Explorers

EARLY EXPLORERS

Where play, discovery and early learning come to life.

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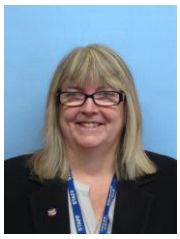
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Early Explorers Staff



Mrs M Langton - Headteacher



Mrs J Baglin (Foundation Stage Coordinator and Teacher)



Mrs T Harvey - Level 3 Room Lead



Miss P Stanton - Early Years Educator Apprentice

We are proud of our dedicated and experienced team who will be caring for and educating your child. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to approach any of our staff members who will be more than happy to help.

Welcome to the Appleton Family

We would all like to welcome you and your family to the Appleton family. We are delighted that you have chosen us to be part of your child's journey through school and look forward to working with you to support each other through these fantastic years.

We like to have a very open relationship with our families and you are welcome to speak to the staff, ask questions and let us know how things are going.

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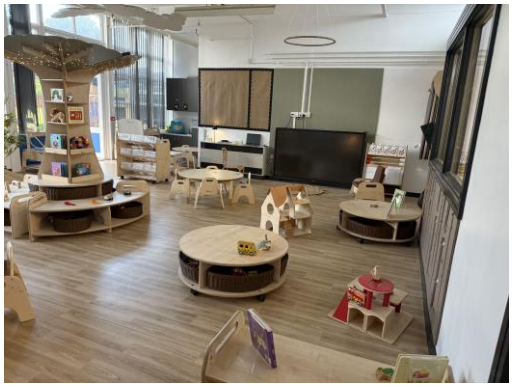
Early Explorers is a welcoming classroom, where the staff aim to create an open and inviting environment for both children and parents. We use the interests of the children to move them forward and develop the whole child. We believe in the value of every child and adult who enters our doors.

We have an outside area which the children have access to every day, including physical development building, water play and music opportunities. The outside area is seen as an extension of the classroom and opportunities will be available outside along with more physical exploration.



Inside the building, there is a cloakroom and an area with toilets, hand washing basins and changing facilities. The classroom has brand new furniture and resources including a book tree, home corner, creative zone, imaginative play and a calm corner, as well as an interactive white board. Visits are encouraged to see the great facilities.





Early Explorer Times

We open the doors at 8.40-8.45 in the morning. The morning session finishes at 11.45 although we open the doors to allow parents to collect children at 11.30.

Please let the school office know if your child is going to be late or absent.

Eligibility

All children are entitled to five 3 hour sessions for free starting from the term after they turn 2. At the moment we are only offering morning sessions but will be expanding this in the future to also offer afternoons and full days (beginning of the week or end of the week). Once agreed, these sessions will remain the same for the full term.

A code is needed the term before they are due to start and validated through the school office. You will need to create a childcare account on the GOV.UK website. A National Insurance number is required for the application. Codes need to be reconfirmed every 3 months to maintain access to the free childcare hours.

You may 'top up' the sessions by paying for extra sessions if they are available. These are £15.00. This money needs to be paid before the extra sessions are taken and is paid online through Arbor.

Useful Information

Uniform and what to bring

We have a simple and comfortable uniform to ensure your child is dressed appropriately for both learning and play. The uniform includes:

- Branded forest green polo t-shirt, available to order from Steady Schoolwear online – www.steadyschoolwear.co.uk
- Black leggings/jogging bottoms
- Comfortable shoes, preferably with Velcro or easy fastening



Please also send in:

- A set of spare clothes (including socks and underwear) in case of accidents or messy play
- Nappies/pull ups with wipes and creams
- A labelled water bottle for hydration throughout the day
- A healthy snack such as fruit or veg (chopped up) or breadsticks (please note we have a no nut policy)
- Appropriate named outdoor clothing for all weather conditions
- Inside shoes such as slippers or sandshoes

Dietary requirements

Please inform a member of staff if your child has any food allergies or specific diets so that we can be aware of these during any food tasting.

Medical

Please also keep staff informed of any medical issues. If a child suffers from asthma, we are required to keep a named inhaler in school and will administer as necessary. Please see a member of staff and ensure that we have a written record of any issues. The school office is permitted to administer prescribed medicine if a form is completed.

Collecting and dropping off

The children are dropped off at the beginning of their session when staff open the door. At their home time, when the doors are opened again, a member of staff will bring your child to you on seeing you at the door. Please note that once a member of staff has handed over a child, they are the responsibility of the parent.

If children are late, they should be taken to the school office to ensure they are recorded on the register.

Please note that the children will only be released to a named adult who is 15 or over. If there is somebody else collecting the child, please call to inform a member of staff.

Please do not drive up the drive to drop off or collect children. Please park considerately on Appleton Road if you are using the car.

Tapestry

We have two-way communication using an app called Tapestry, where parents and staff can post photographs and videos which feeds into the children's assessment and is a good way to see what the children are interested in, and can do well. Photographs posted on Tapestry must not be shared on any other social media.

Links with Other Agencies

Early Explorers feeds into Appleton Nursery.

We have good links with local private nurseries and meet to discuss children who are moving between settings.

We have strong links with outside agencies, who we work with to support children and their families. We work with Fenchurch, Priory and Cottingham Family Hubs, Speech and Language Unit, Health Visiting Team, Children's Library, School Nursing Team, KIDs, Education Psychology, Audiology Team and any other agency who we feel would make a positive contribution including the community Support Officers and the local community.

Contact details

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Facebook – Appleton Primary

Health Visiting Team – 259600

KIDS - 467540