

Welcome to Lightmoor Village Primary School



'Growing Together'

Meet the team:

Mrs Siddons: Headteacher here at Lightmoor since it opened in 2010.

Mrs Cowan: Deputy Headteacher and SENCo and has also been at the school since 2010.

Miss Robson: Reception Teacher, 3 years experience teaching in early years settings.

Exciting Adventure Ahead!

The first year in school is vital to a child's learning and development for the future. Skills and concepts are built on throughout the years of primary school.

Here at Lightmoor we:

- Have very high expectations of all pupils.
- Provide a safe, stimulating learning environment.
- Take pride in our calm school in which we teach respect for everyone and good manners.
- Ensure that we have well qualified staff working with our pupils.
- Work with parents and carers in partnership to ensure that each child reaches their full potential.
- Support our pupils and their families at times when they need it.
- Build relationships within the school community.
- Value the feedback from all of our school families.
- Have a very supportive and experienced Governing Body that can also support you during your time at our school.

We ask that you:

- Contact school as soon as you have any concerns or questions no matter how big or small, to ensure that we can reassure you as soon as possible or resolve any matters in the best possible way.
- Ensure your child arrives each day in uniform, with their bag and a water bottle and with having had enough sleep and breakfast ready to learn.
- Read a book each day to your child to develop a love of reading.
- Encourage them to know how to open a book, learning that the pages are read left to right.
- Practise together putting coats, shoes and other items of clothing on and taking them off so that they are able to get changed independently for PE (with minimum help).
- Support them to be fully toilet trained before starting school (we understand in some cases this is not always possible).

Parent/ Carer Partnership

- We strongly encourage our parents and carers to help and support pupils learning from home.
- To support parents and carers in this we provide information, workshops and learning opportunities alongside our pupils.
- Parents and carers are also welcomed into the school for lunches, assemblies, fetes, concerts and parents evening during each year.



Communication

- Teachers and Teaching Assistants are in class each morning and afternoon for any quick queries.
- You can email or phone school to arrange a meeting with a class teacher or a member of staff.
- School send out regular emails (from office) to parents/carers.
- Facebook and Twitter share information and events
- Two Parents' Evenings are held during a year.
- Reports go home at the end of each term.
- Tapestry - online Learning Journey for Reception parents



Special Educational Needs support for children at Lightmoor

- Please share concerns however big or small.
- Support can be given in school and at home.
- If school have any concerns they will share these with you and work alongside you to support your child.
- School will liaise with outside agencies where needed to give the best support to pupils in school.



Pupil Premium



- Enclosed in your admission pack you will find a Free School Meals (FSM) form.
- We have found in the past that some parents/carers, who may be eligible, do not complete the form until their child is moving into KS2 as they automatically receive Universal Infant Free School Meals (as part of the current government) from Reception age to the end of Year 2. By completing the form not only will your child be able to access these school dinners for free throughout KS2 as well, but you may also benefit from fully funded trips as well as one after school club per child, per term. This is known as a Pupil Premium Grant (PPG).
- To encourage as many people as possible to apply, even if they do not qualify, we are offering a **free PE bag** to all those FSM applications received by 19th June. Any applications received after this date will still be processed by the school but will not receive a free PE bag.

The Early Years Foundation Stage at Lightmoor Village Primary School



What do I need?

- Book bag with books each day, reading record and sound books (these will be given out in first week)
- P.E kits every Monday to take home on a Friday (or at end of half term).
- **Named** Water Bottle
- **Named** clothing
- **Named** wellies and forest School kit (days tbc at start of term)





Wow Moments



A wow moment might be something that is important to your child at a particular time. It may be something that they have achieved or that they are excited about. Miss Robson will be able to give you some blank 'wow moments' to take home at the start of term.

When your child brings in a wow moment they will be given the opportunity to share this with the class and then they will be glued in their books.



Focus children

Each week there will be three 'focus' pupils in class, this is an opportunity for staff to work closely with these pupils and for you them to share things from home. It is also during this time that you will be invited to come into school for a meeting with staff. We will share more information with you in September.

Class Bear

- Your child will meet Bob the Bear during their first week in school.
- Our bear will take turns visiting each member of the class. When he visits you, it would be brilliant if you can document his stay in his diary.
- You can write about his adventure with you. You can add photographs or even draw pictures.
- Upon returning him to school, your child will be given the opportunity to share their experience with the class.
- There is no pressure to plan an amazing weekend of adventures –Bob loves ASDA and Saturday night TV!



Phonics

- We use Read, Write, Inc to teach phonics here at Lightmoor.
- Read Write Inc is a whole school Literacy programme designed to get all children reading by 6.
- It teaches children to pronounce letters using 'pure sounds'.
- It is really important for children that we all learn this way of pronouncing the letters as it will help them with their reading.
- Workshops will be held at the start of the Autumn term to familiarise you with the phonics programme.





Reward System



Amazing behaviour/superstar!



Good behaviour/trying their best



All children start on the sun each day.



Reminder needed sad cloud



Thunder and lightning 5 minutes time out to reflect on behaviour



Reward System



Ironbridge



Severn



Wenlock



Wrekin



- All children will be placed in 1 of 4 houses.
- Exemplary behaviour, reaching the top of the behaviour chart and achieving stars on a separate chart will be rewarded by a 'star in the bucket'.
- All stars from buckets from each class are combined each week and added to a whole school house leader board during a Friday assembly.

Tapestry

Online Learning Journey

The aim of a Learning Journey is to build a unique picture of what your child knows and can do as well as their particular interests.

The Learning Journey includes:

- Photographs
- Observations
- Your child's work
- Videos

- You will be able to access your child's Learning Journey on your mobile device or computer.
- Once the school has your email address, we will post videos and pictures of your child in school and their next steps.
- Parents and carers are also able to send videos and pictures of their child at home.

**We hope that this information
has been helpful. We are
looking forward to meeting you
all soon!**

