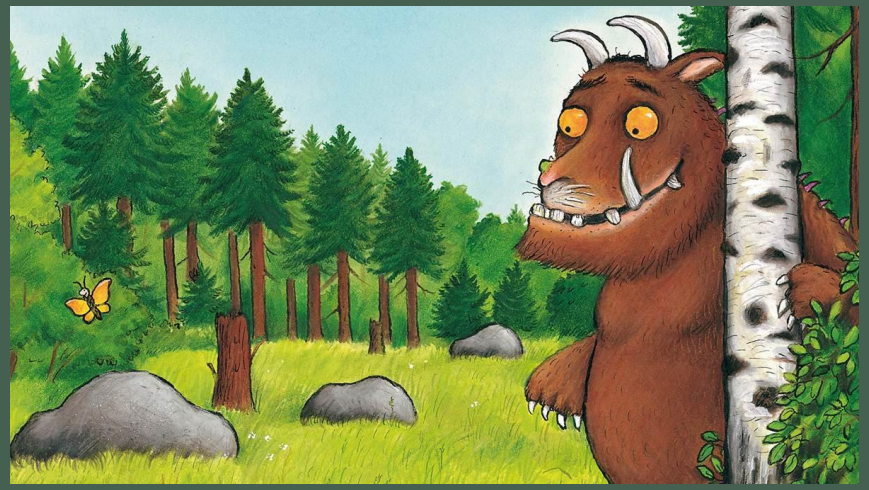
Welcome to Wellesley Park Primary School 2021 - 2022

We would like to share this information to help support you and your child as they start school.

Meet the Gruffalo Team

Mrs Doidge

EYFS Teacher/
Phase Leader



Mrs Richings

EYFS Teaching Assistant

Year R/1 Split Class

This year we will have a EYFS class called Gruffalo and a split year group class with reception children and Year 1 called Jasper.

Y1 children will be at times required to do more structured activities to support them in achieving the objectives of KS1 curriculum.

The Reception children will access Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum and learn through play, interaction and exploration of the environment. If your child is in the split year group, their teacher will be:

Miss Winsor

Class Teacher

Mrs Bladwell

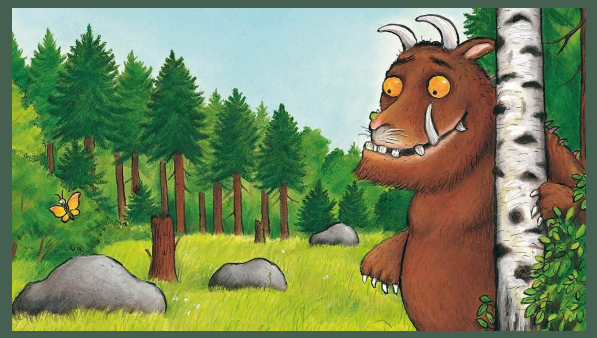
Teaching Assistant

Mrs Wilkins - Headteacher

Mrs Hartley-Criddle

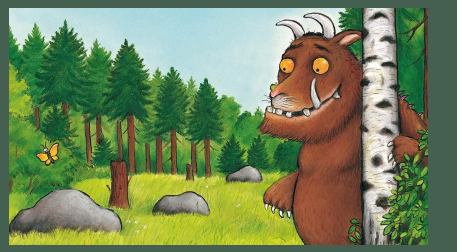
Deputy Headteacher/SENDco

During your time with us at Wellesley Park, you will get to know Mrs Wilkins ,our Headteacher, and Mrs Hartley-Criddle our Deputy Headteacher.
Mrs Wilkins will visit us to chat often and talk to our children about their learning. Mrs Wilkins also leads Assemblies, which are linked to our school values and our Friday celebration assembly.
Our Deputy, Mrs Hartley-Criddle, loves chatting with the children too and helping them with their learning.



The School Office

Mrs Matthews, Mrs Lilley and Mrs Atri are our friendly School Office team and serve as a point of contact for any queries or questions you may have. We will also have the Class Dojo system where you will be able to message Mrs Doidge directly.
Wellesley Park is aspiring to be a paperless school so most of the communications will be sent to you via email. Every week Mrs Atri sends out a newsletter to let you know what has been happening in school.



Our School Uniform

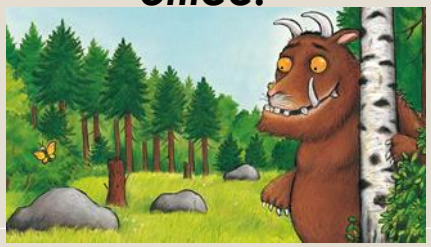
Our school uniform supplier is The Sporting Duchess in Wellington. Items can be bought in store on South Street.

We also have a book bag and PE bag

Registration

Our classroom doors open at 8.45 am and registration takes place at 8:55am every morning with lessons starting promptly after. The pick-up time will be confirmed with you as soon as the Covid guidance for schools is released.

If your child is ill you will need to report their absence to the school office.



Our Classroom

We always have lots of different activities happening in our classroom.

The children will work independently, in a small group, or as a whole class.

Our Outdoor classroom

A fundamental part of outdoor play is using what we find for imaginative and exploratory pay as well as or building and creating. This part of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) curriculum describes children's attitudes to learning and 'how' they learn rather than 'what' they learn.

Water Bottles

Children are required to have a labelled water bottle in school. A sticker or keyring will be helpful for your child to recognise their belongings.

Please make sure your child can open and close their water bottle

Snack Time

We have healthy snacks each day and sometimes make our own.

The children are provided with a piece of fruit every day as part of the government 'School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme'.

Lunch time

School meals are made by our friendly catering team. Meals are free for all children in EYFS & Key Stage 1.

We love lunchtimes because we get to sit with our friends and have some lovely lunchtime assistants to help look after us.

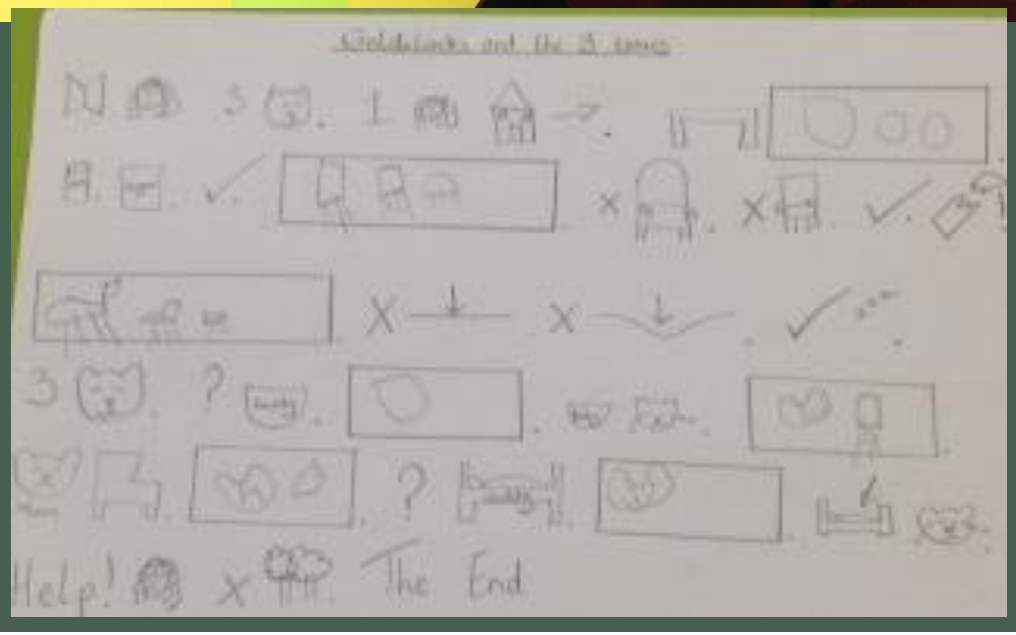
There is a 3 week rota of delicious lunchtime menus.

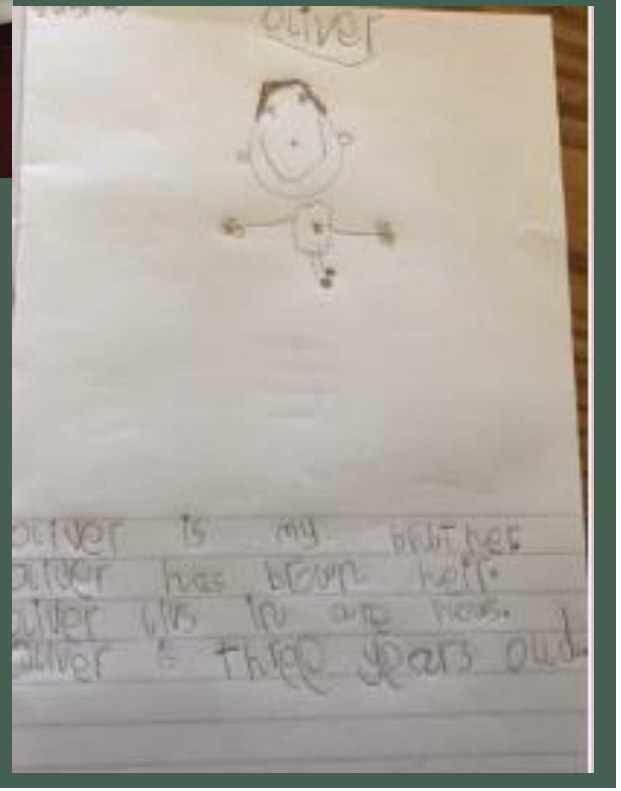
Toilets

We have 2 toilets in our classroom area. We can use the toilet if we ask during class time and playtime.

We can wash our hands here too.

We love to learn!



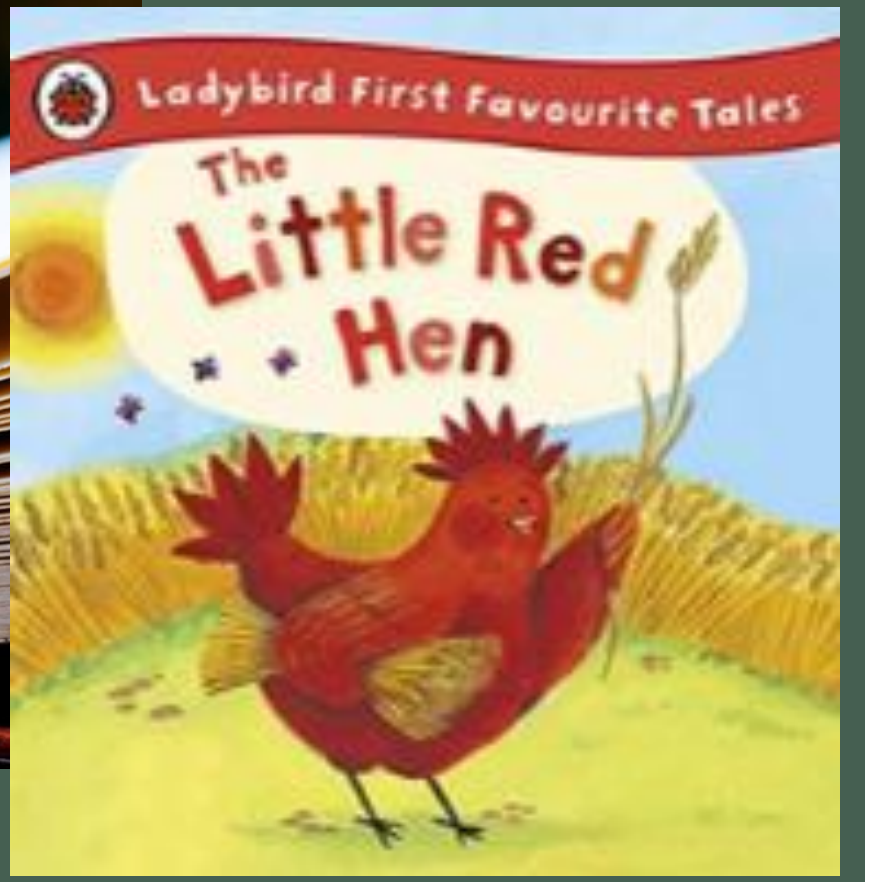


Phonics

This year, we will be following the All Aboard Phonics Program to teach our children phonics and reading.

Maths

Mathematics is one of the seven areas of the early years foundation stage and is used to develop a child's confidence and ability with number but also to encourage their understanding of shapes, space and measures.



Listening to and telling stories

We will be listening to stories, rhymes, songs and poems. This helps us to write our own stories. Each half term we base our writing around a brand new text. We're starting off with 'The Little Red Hen'.

There is always someone on duty to look after us if we hurt ourselves when playing.

First Aid

If your child has an accident a member of staff will record it in the first aid file. Parents/carers will receive a notification note or a phone call (in the case of head bumps). We will of course, notify you immediately in the event of a more serious injury.

Organisation

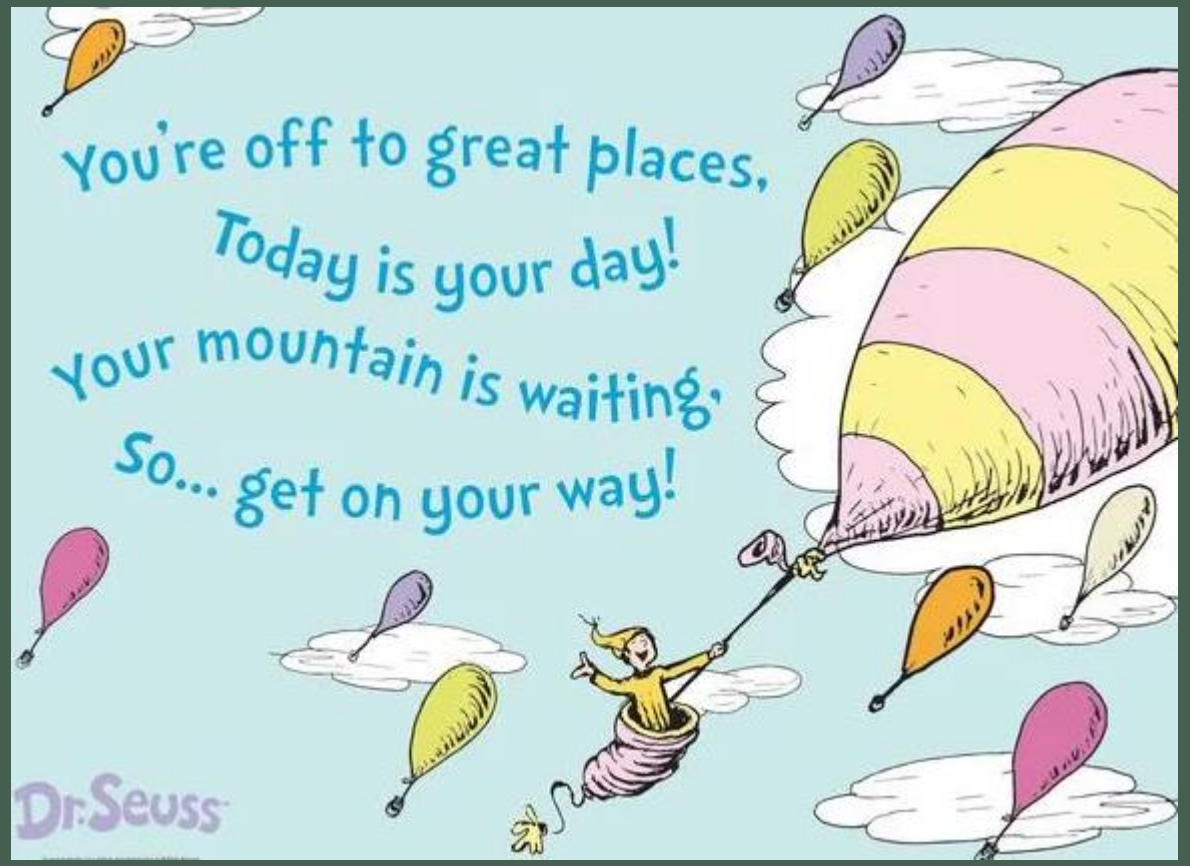
- a named book bag
- coat/sun hat depending on the weather
- a named lunchbox if opting for packed lunches

Handy tricks

- Make sure your child can easily recognise their belongings.
- Label all (absolutely all!) clothes that your child wears or bring to school, including coats, school uniform, shoes and PE Kits.

First Day of School

The first day of school
Can be hard for Mom and Dad.
Part of you feels excited,
The other part feels sad.
For many years you've held their hand,
And have been their loving guide.
Now you know the time has come
To leave them by my side.
But it is only for a little while,
As your child will learn and grow.
And at the end of everyday,
They will share with you all they know.
So as you walk away
Don't worry anymore.
I'll take care of all those precious gifts
When you leave them at my door.



Thank you for taking the time to read this information. We hope you found it helpful and are excited about your start with us in September.
We are so looking forward to meeting you and cannot wait for your to join our Wellesley Park family.