



READY RESPECTFUL ENGAGED

Friday, 25th April 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted that your child will be joining us on the next step of their learning journey to share all the exciting opportunities we have to offer at Ravensdale Infant and Nursery School.

We recognise that your child's first experiences at school are especially important, and we know that settling into school is a big milestone for you and your child. Our aim is to make this a happy, exciting and smooth start to school based on the needs of the children.

We pride ourselves on being the only Infant and Nursery School in Mickleover and as a school community we will 'Be Ambitious, Spark Imagination and Celebrate Success.' Our school nurtures each of our children by enriching their lives with knowledge, skills and quality experiences so that they can positively contribute to society.

Our aims for our school and community are:

- Be a friendly and exciting place to learn, work and visit.*
- Ensure all children feel valued, respected, safe and secure.*
- Ensure all children achieve outstanding progress for them.*
- Prepare our children to become effective members of society, ready for the challenges and opportunities their futures will hold.*
- Engage, encourage and enthuse stakeholders in our vision.*
- Improve our school's reputation in society and the wider community.*

We will be holding a meeting for new parents/carers on **Tuesday 13th May 2025 at 4:00 pm**. We ask you not to bring children to this meeting. The meeting will be hosted by the Early Years Foundation Team and will last approximately one hour. Additional information about school transitions and start dates, school procedures, policies, uniform and school communication will also be shared. There will also be an optional tour of the school during which you will be able to see your child's class and learning areas. This will also be an opportunity for you to ask any questions.

To support a smooth transition into school, we will be holding further events as detailed below. For the purpose of transition, the children will be split into two groups, A and group B (this will not represent classes). It will mean that staff can get to know the children better with only half visiting at any one time.

Transition date 1 – a joint visit for you and your child. Here you will be able to explore the outdoor learning area, have a look at the indoor learning environment and facilities, meet the teachers and the wider staff and ask any questions or share information about your child. This visit will take place on the 1st of July 2025, 9:30 am – 11:30 am.

Transition date 2 – for your child only. A full morning visit (9:30 am – 11:30 am). During this visit your child will spend time exploring the learning environment, getting to know their teacher and new classmates. We would like to offer every child the opportunity to try a school dinner on this day too. The morning date will be either the 2nd or 3rd of July 2025 and this will be confirmed with you later.

For all new children starting Ravensdale, we would like to visit you and your child at home. This will give us an opportunity to talk to you and get to know your child's likes and dislikes. The school office will arrange this appointment with you for a time that is convenient to both you and your child. The visit will be no longer than 20 minutes.

Please click on the link below to complete and pupil registration form. **This must be submitted by Friday 23rd May 2025.** You will be required to show your child's original full birth certificate when you return your forms to the office.

<https://forms.office.com/e/Y8YACEu5WY?origin=lprl%20link>

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to school on Tuesday 13th May 2025 at 4:00 pm. Please call the school office if you are unable to attend.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Brentnall and The Early Years Team.