

Firs Farm Nursery

Maple Class

2026-2027



Curriculum

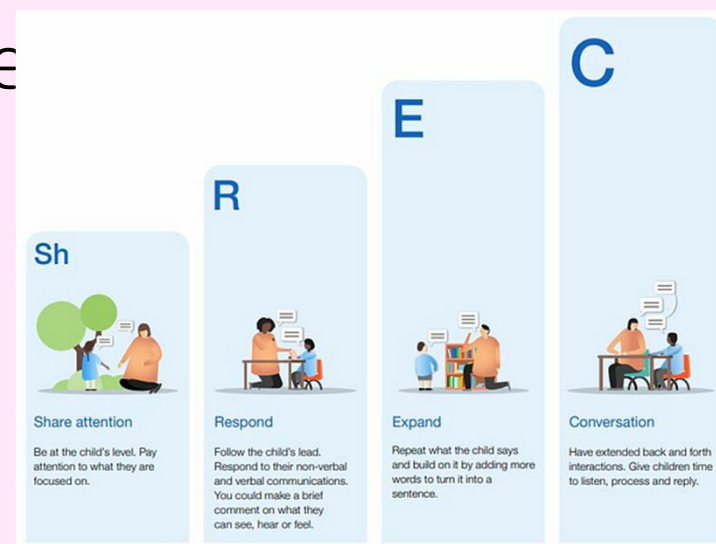
- ✓ Focus will mainly be on 3 characteristics of effective learning (CoEL): playing & exploring, active learning, creating & thinking critically
- ✓ Daily phonics lesson
- ✓ Weekly maths/Literacy lesson
- ✓ Learning will be driven by children's interests
- ✓ Focus on depth of specific learning rather than a superficial coverage of many curriculum areas
- ✓ Using Development Matters to assess children
- ✓ Donation of £5 per half term to go towards resources

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/64e6002a20ae890014f26cbc/DfE_Development_Matters_Report_Sep2023.pdf



Communication and language

- ✓ High quality interactions with children
- ✓ Modelling high quality vocabulary
- ✓ Resources labelled
- ✓ Repetition of key words/sounds
- ✓ Range of resources available in discovery
- ✓ Building positive relationships
- ✓ Language rich environment
- ✓ Scaffolded/extended learning



<https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/early-years/high-quality-interactions>

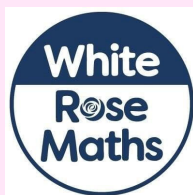
Phonics

- ✓ Daily sessions
- ✓ Foundation Stage phonics
- ✓ Listening to different sounds, nursery rhymes, songs
- ✓ Promote a love of reading
- ✓ Autumn 2 – after half term - start Phase 2 phonics (initial sounds)



Early Maths

- ✓ Weekly sessions
- ✓ Following White Rose (as per rest of school)
- ✓ Working with concrete manipulatives (teddy bears, cubes)
- ✓ Initial number skills: counting, 1:1 correspondence, more/less
- ✓ Different activities encouraged in continuous provision



Physical development

- ✓ New adventure playground being built over the summer holidays
- ✓ Trim trail available to use
- ✓ Malleable station in the classroom to promote fine motor skills
- ✓ Mark making and finger counting/pointing
- ✓ **GMS:** Active play, outdoor play, movements, obstacles
- ✓ **FMS:** Drawing, cutting, pencil holding, playdough, threading, building, puzzles
- ✓ **At home:** Please practice using knife/fork/spoon

The Nursery Day

7:30-9.00	9-9.3	9-11:15	11:15-11:30	11:30-12	12-1 (am session ends 12.15)	1-1.15	1:15-3.00	3.00-3.30	3:30-6
Wraparound care (Discovery Club)	Self registration and lunch register	Discovery	Foundation phonics	Lunch time	Discovery	Registration, Maths/ Literacy focus session	Discovery, PSHE/C&L including Nursery rhymes/story	Nursery+ Additional paid time. Teacher led. Discovery	Wraparound care (Discovery Club)

Tapestry

- ✓ Used to make class and individual observations on the children
- ✓ Observations are in line with the non statutory guidance *Development Matters in the EYFS*
- ✓ Uploads are made weekly
- ✓ Please acknowledge, like and comment on what your children are doing
- ✓ Parents/Carers are able to upload if they wish too

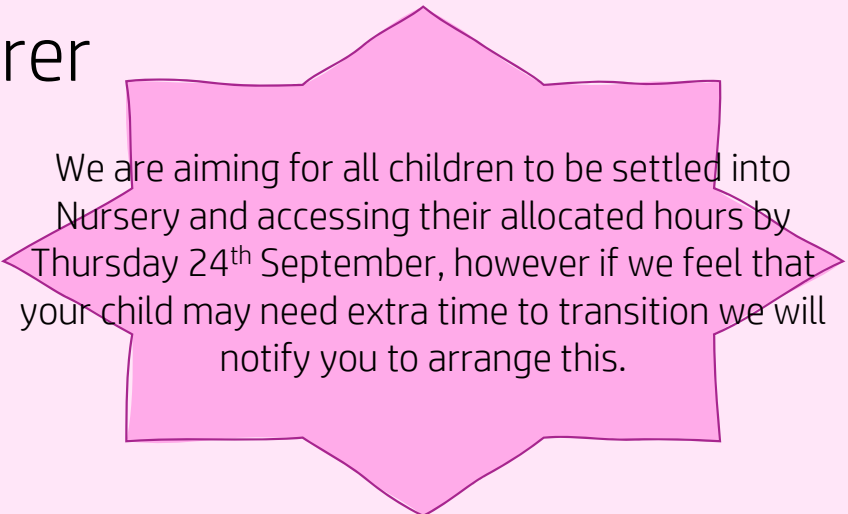


Home Visits

- ✓ Everyone should have received an email
- ✓ Home visits start Monday 15th – Wednesday 17th (unless rescheduled)
- ✓ Miss Genc and Miss Walsh attending
- ✓ Children will have opportunity to create a picture
- ✓ Parents/Carers will be speaking to Miss Genc regarding child's likes/dislikes/etc
- ✓ Should not take more than 15 minutes
- ✓ Please have a named family photo ready (if possible) for us to display in the classroom
- ✓ Complete any relevant forms that we need (unless you have already done this)

Transition

- ✓ Will be slower than in Reception
- ✓ You will be given a slip with your transition on but generally children will do:
 - 1 hour with parent/carer
 - 2 days of 1 hour without parent/carer
 - 4 days of 2 hours
 - 1 day of 3 hours (no lunch)
 - 3 days of am sessions with lunch
 - Allocated hours



We are aiming for all children to be settled into Nursery and accessing their allocated hours by Thursday 24th September, however if we feel that your child may need extra time to transition we will notify you to arrange this.

What next?

Over the summer:

- ✓ Toilet train your child (all children should be out of nappies by September)
- ✓ Cut out lunch time naps (children should not need a nap during the school day)
- ✓ Practice counting to 5
- ✓ Practice familiar noises and ask children to identify them e.g vehicles, animals, household items

15 & 30 HOURS FUNDED CHILDCARE

...what you need to know.

Nursery Funding and hours

- All children receive 15 hours free childcare (for 38 weeks) from the term after their child is 3 years old
- Children can receive 30 hours free childcare if one or both parents:
 - Are working (at least 16 hours a week)
 - Earn at least the minimum wage or more for 16 hours+ (but not more than 100k).
 - You can check eligibility via [Free Childcare for Working Parents: Check if you're eligible - GOV.UK](#)
- You must apply for your voucher code 30 days before we start.
- Complete the Local Authority forms (in paper/emailed) as soon as possible. You can fill them and hand them in or email them to us (or hand to Miss Genc during the home visits).
- Voucher codes must be emailed to the school as soon as you have them nursery@firsfarm.enfield.sch.uk



Funded hours and beyond!

- 30 hours free childcare runs 9.00am-3.00pm.
 - If you want your child to remain in school until 3.30 it will cost an additional **£4**. Your child will remain in the classroom with their teachers/adults.
- 15 hours: AM 9.15-12.15
 - If you are not eligible for 30 hours and want your child to remain in school until 3.30 it will cost **£15** per day (this does not have to be a 5 day commitment) but it is dependent on us having space.
- If you want your child to access wraparound care (Discovery Club) cost:
 - 7.30-9am: £5
 - 3.30-4pm: £4
 - 3.30-5pm: £10
 - 3.30-6pm: £13

Wraparound: Is part of our Discovery Club provision. Nursery children will be accommodated in the large hall unless we get a significant number in which case we can look at having 2 members of staff to stay within Nursery.

Nursery+ and Discovery can be booked via Arbor.

Lunches

- Lunches will be provided by our caterer Taylor Shaw
- If your child has 30 hours funded childcare they will be entitled to a free school meal (just announced!)
- If your child has 15 hours and you want them to have a lunch you will have to pay (approx. £2.70) to Taylor Shaw. We will send you the links to book. *If you are paying for an additional 3 hours you will also need to pay for lunch.*
- Children can bring in a packed lunch from home if they want (no nuts, sesame or fizzy drinks). We have a healthy packed lunch policy that children and families should follow. There is no charge for a packed lunch.





UNIVERSAL CREDIT AND DLA

- If you are in receipt of Universal Credit or you have a very low income you can apply for Pupil Premium support. This means the school receives additional funding to support your child.
- If your child has a disability and you receive DLA we can apply for additional funding for any adaptations, we need.



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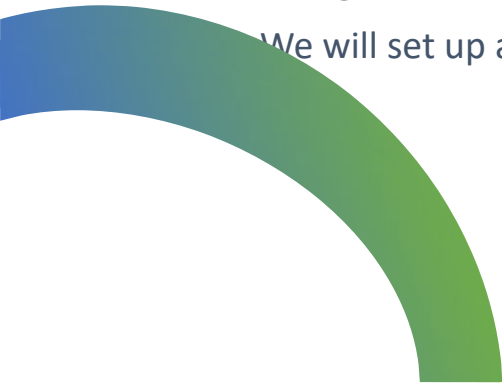
- Burgundy/School sweatshirt available from [Lyons School Shop](#) (Uniform4Kids) or at their shop Lyons, 242 Hertford Road
- Black or grey jogging bottoms
- White polo shirt or t-shirt.
- Shoes suitable for play and comfort. Ideally black or dark trainers.





Other information

- Once you are registered/enrolled we will set you up on Arbor (our management system) where you have access to a Parent Portal. You can use this to book additional hours/wraparound care.
- Once you are enrolled we will set you up on Tapestry.
- Any enquiries are dealt with via the school office either office@firsfarm.enfield.sch.uk or 02088074292. The office is open 8.30-4pm every day – it gets very busy at the start/end of the day though.



We will set up an email for you to contact teachers in September.