

# Tanfield Lea Community Primary School

## Welcome to Reception



Opening Doors, Enriching Lives

Brochure Summary

Please see our video on the home page of the school website:

https://www.tanfieldlea-primary.durham.sch.uk

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### Latest News


- May update including Sports week
- 2nd May Newsletter
- April 2023 Newsletter
- Easter 2023 Newsletter
- March 2023 Newsletter
- Online and Gaming advice


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### Key Information


- School Admissions
- Our Curriculum
- School Holidays
- School Performance


### Welcome to Pre School

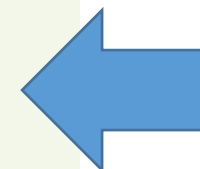


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## Who is who in the Early Years?

Your child will have most contact with these adults (The Early Years Team).  
They work in the unit full time.



**Mrs A. Geach**  
Reception Teacher  
and Early Years  
Leader



**Mrs K. Sparkes**  
Reception Teacher



**Mrs D. Armin**  
Teaching Assistant



**Mrs E. Jackson**  
Teaching Assistant



**Mrs J. Dunham**  
Pre-School Teacher



**Mrs A. Ashcroft**  
Teaching Assistant



**Mrs V. Jackson**  
Teaching Assistant

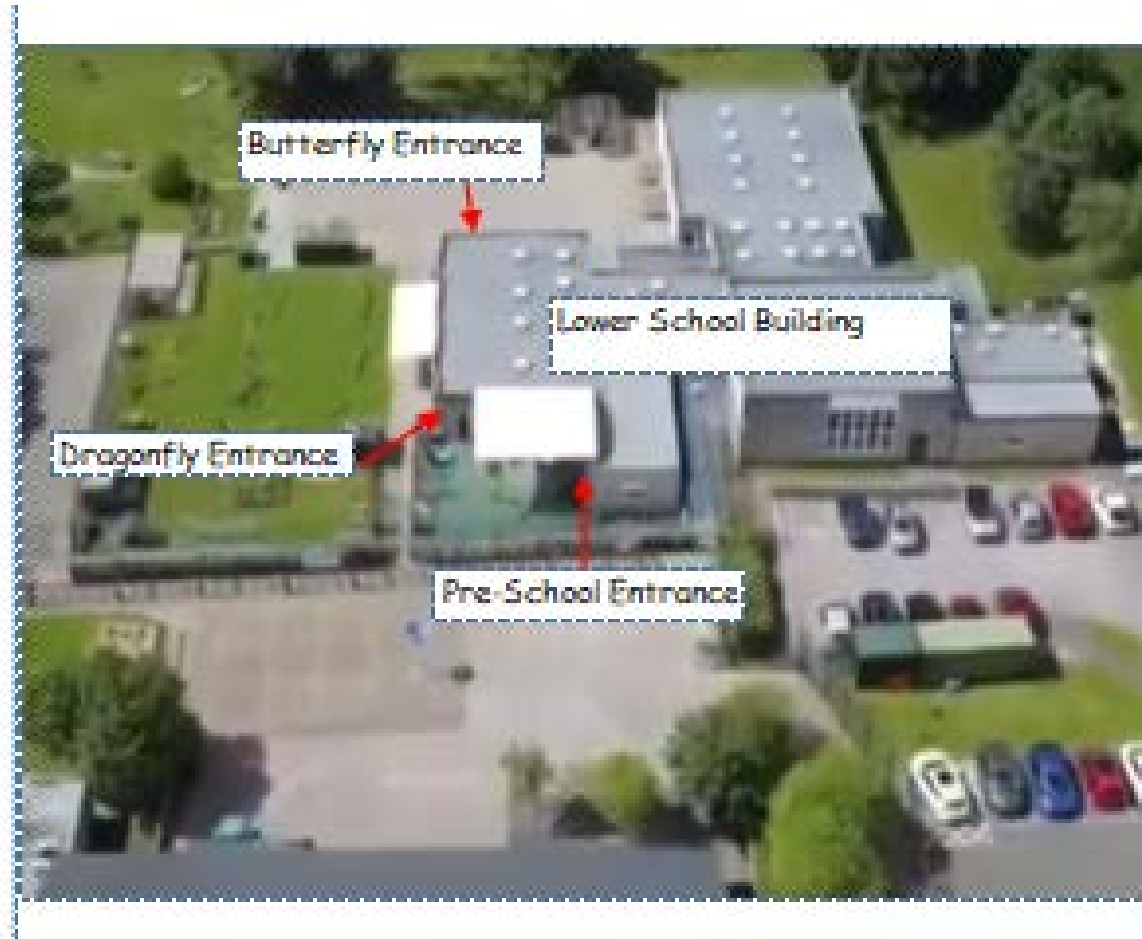


Mrs Sparkes



Mrs Geach

# Where to drop off / collect your child



# Attendance



**Punctuality is important.**

**Late arrivals can affect attendance.**

**It is really important that your child attends school and arrives promptly for registration between 8:40am-8.50am.**



# Attendance Awards

We celebrate children's attendance every week in our Friday assembly:

- ✓ Attendance % for every class is shared
- ✓ Classes compete to win a half term cash prize of £20 for the class to spend on a treat

**Points are awarded weekly on the following basis**

- ✓ 95% or above class % - 1 point
- ✓ 98% or above class % - 2 points
- ✓ 100% for the class % - 4 points

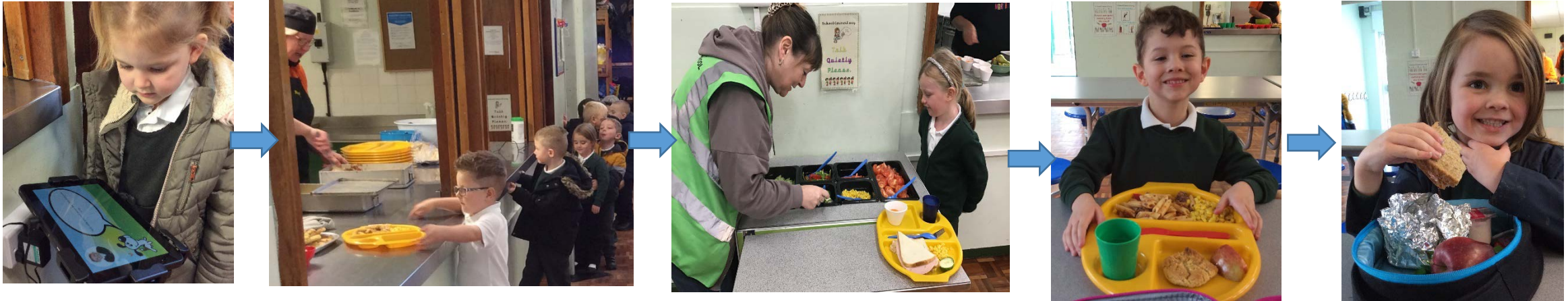
✓ 100% award for one class member each week, names are selected in the random name spinner. Children receive a small prize.





# Lunchtime

This year school dinners are free to all children in Reception



Packed Lunches must follow school packed lunch policy

# Uniform



Black or grey	skirt/shorts/trousers
Racing green	sweatshirt/jumper/ cardigan
White	polo shirt
Black	sensible shoes or black trainers
Green gingham	summer dresses

PLEASE ENSURE EVERYTHING IS LABELLED



Black shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms
Coloured t-shirt of their child's team
Black plimsolls or trainers
Specific day given, wear for school



## Important information

**PE** will be on a **Tuesday** with Mr Ashman. Children to come to school in their P.E. kits

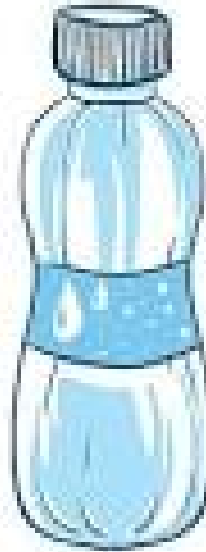
**Opal** – Children will need wellies in school during winter months to use OPAL activities

# What will your child need to bring to school with them?



Green bag from Pre-School  
No back packs

Organiser



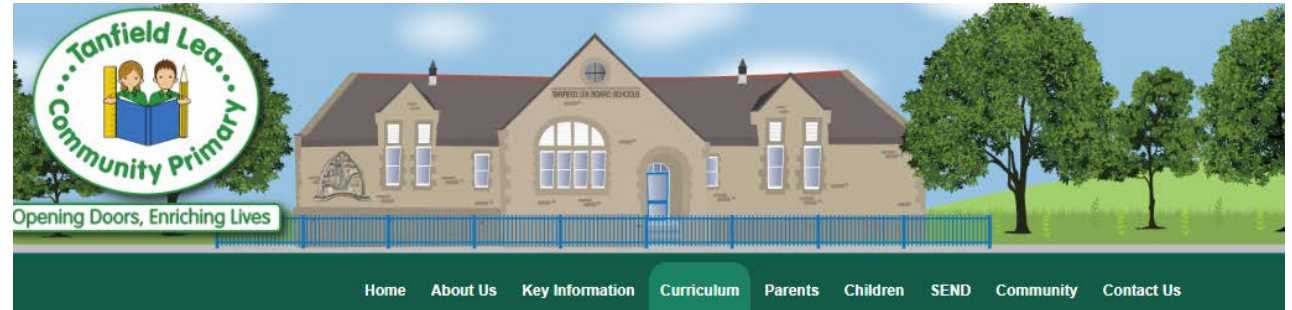
Water bottle



Clothes  
appropriate  
to weather

# Reception Curriculum, continued from Pre-School

Prime area	Communication and Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Listening, Attention and Understanding</li> <li>• Speaking</li> </ul>
Prime area	Personal, Social and Emotional Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-Regulation</li> <li>• Managing Self</li> <li>• Building Relationships</li> </ul>
Prime area	Physical Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gross Motor Skills</li> <li>• Fine Motor Skills</li> </ul>
Specific area	Literacy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comprehension</li> <li>• Word Reading</li> <li>• Writing</li> </ul>
Specific area	Mathematics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number</li> <li>• Numerical Pattern</li> </ul>
Specific area	Understanding the World	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Past and Present</li> <li>• People, Culture and Communities</li> <li>• The Natural World</li> </ul>
Specific area	Expressive Arts and Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating with Materials</li> <li>• Being Imaginative and Expressive</li> </ul>



More  
information in  
September  
Stay and Play

# Dialogic Reading Books

 <p>Mog the Forgetful Cat Judith Kerr</p>	 <p>Whatever Next! Jill Murphy</p>	 <p>Green Eggs and Ham Dr. Seuss</p>	 <p>Supertato Paul Linnet</p>	 <p>Oi Frog Kes Gray</p>	 <p>Stuck Oliver Jeffers</p>	 <p>Wiggle and Roar! Julia Donaldson</p>	 <p>My Brother Anthony Browne</p>
 <p>Peace at Last Jill Murphy</p>	 <p>Aliens Love Underpants Claire Freedman</p>	 <p>Burglar Bill Janet &amp; Allan Ahlberg</p>	 <p>Funnybones Janet &amp; Allan Ahlberg</p>	 <p>Shark in the Dark! Nick Sharratt</p>	 <p>Hairy McClary's Hat-Tricks Lynley Dodd</p>	 <p>Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs Ian Whybrow</p>	 <p>More Pants Giles Andreae</p>
 <p>You Choose Pippa Goodhart</p>	 <p>And Tango Makes Three Justin Richardson and Peter Parnell</p>	 <p>The Gingerbread Man</p>	 <p>The Three Billy Goats Gruff</p>	 <p>Suddenly! Colin McNaughton</p>	 <p>The Enormous Turnip</p>	 <p>Owl Babies Martin Waddell</p>	 <p>Oi! Get off our Train John Burningham</p>













# How you can help with reading?















*“It is crucial for children to develop a life-long love of reading.” (DfE 2021)*

More information will be given out in September on supporting your children to read.

***Home-learning*** is typically sent out on a **Wednesday** and **returned** on a **Monday**.



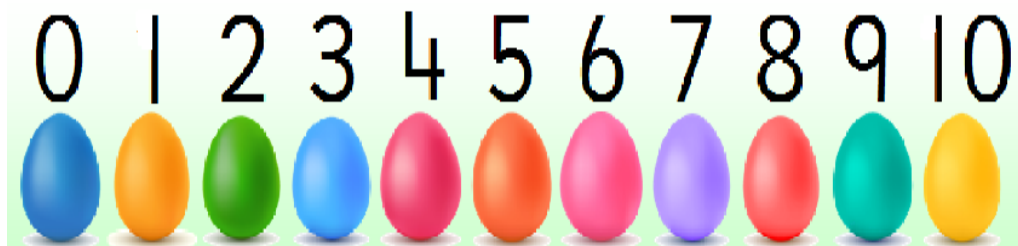
a 	b 	c 
Around the apple and down the leaf	Down the bat and around the ball	Curl around the caterpillar
d 	e 	f 
Around his back then head to toe	Under his ears and around his trunk	Down the flower and across the leaves
g 	h 	i 
Left around the girl, down her plait and curl	From head to toe and over his back	Down the insect, lift and dot
j 	k 	l 
Down Jane's back, up to her toes, jump to the ball	From head to toe, arm up, kick out	Down the long, long leg

m 	n 	o 
From the man go down, climb one mountain then the other	From head to toe and over the net	From the top of the head and all the way round the octopus
p 	q 	r 
From head to tail then right around the parrot	Right around the queen and way down her staff	From head to tail then up and over along his feet
s 	t 	u 
Left around, right around, from head to tail	Down the tower, lift and cross	Under the umbrella, up and down
v 	w 	x 
Down one wing and up the other	Wiggle down, wiggle up, down up	Hand to toe this way, hand to toe that way
y 	z 	
Down one string and way down the other	Zig, zag, zig	

Letter formation for lower case letters



# Number Formation Rhymes



- From the top go all the way round to make a number zero
- Go straight down and that is all to make a number one
- Wing it round and then go right to make a number two
- Swing it round and then once more to make a number three
- Down, slide, cut in half to make a number four
- Down, round, put on a hat, To make a number five
- Come on down and make a curl to make a number six
- Slide to the right then slant on down to make a number seven
- Make an s then go straight home to make a number eight
- Make a loop go up then down to make a number nine
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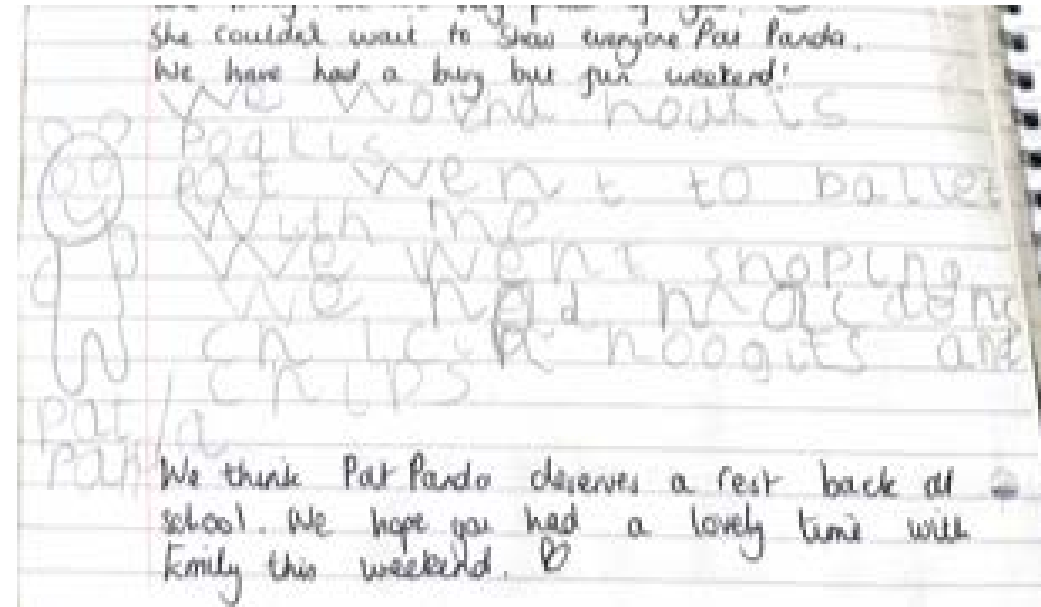
## Calculation Policy

- Available on the school website.
- Encourages consistent teaching and learning of the four operations as the children move through school.
- In line with the National Curriculum and our long term plans.
- Shows the progressive steps the children will take, the vocabulary they will use, resources that will support their learning and how their work should be presented in their books.
- Helps parents see the methods the children will be taught in class.

# Star of the Week



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Pat Panda and Butterbear

# Documenting our Learning Journeys

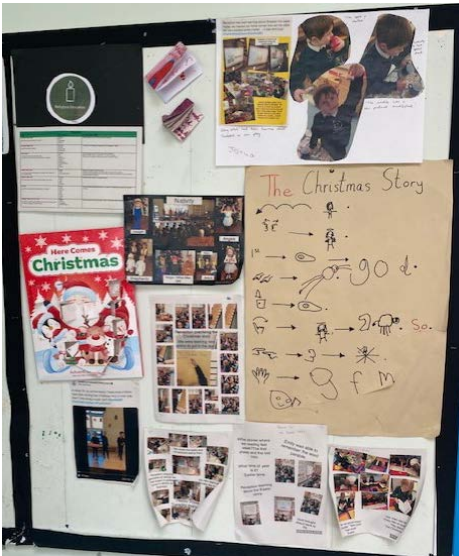


Maths book

English Book

Organiser

Twitter  
[@tanfieldprimary](https://twitter.com/tanfieldprimary)





# Stay and Play



Curriculum focus  
September: Literacy  
November: Mathematics

# School Gateway App

You will have already downloaded the free School Gateway app and registered for an account. Please ensure that if you change your email address or mobile number you let us know immediately.

## This will allow:

- Continued communication with parents
- School to send free messages, saving the school budget
- Online payments





# Growth Mindset



I can learn anything I want to.  
When I'm frustrated, I persevere.  
I want to challenge myself.  
When I fail, I learn.  
Tell me I try hard.  
If you succeed, I'm inspired.  
My effort and attitude determine everything.



I'm either good at it, or I'm not.  
When I'm frustrated, I give up.  
I don't like to be challenged.  
When I fail, I'm no good.  
Tell me I'm smart.  
If you succeed, I feel threatened.  
My abilities determine everything.



## Friends of Tanfield Lea Community Primary School

Please support 'The Friends of the school' who are a group of volunteers who raise money to fund activities for the children. These activities range from school trips, discos, Bingo nights and coffee afternoons to provide new resources throughout the school, which school may not necessarily be able to buy. They also have been known to fundraise for other charities such as Macmillan & Link to Hope(shoebox appeal).



Friends of Tanfield Lea Community  
Primary School



Meetings take place  
termly to arrange our  
events – see our FB  
page to check for  
updates!

# Any questions?

Thankyou for coming - here's to a productive and enjoyable partnership!