

Haydon Abbey School



We plant
the seeds and
help them grow

Welcome to Haydon Abbey

Today we aim to...

Meet the team

Settling in

The Curriculum

Reading

Forest School

Snack and Lunch Arrangements

Transition – Top Tips

Breakfast and After School Club

Dates for your Diary

Uniform

PTA

Meet the team



Miss Ferdinand
Headteacher



Mrs King
Deputy Headteacher



Mrs Howell
Assistant Headteacher



Mrs E Jones
SENCO

Meet the team



Mrs O'Hara
Learning Support Assistant



Miss Browell
Learning Support Assistant



Mrs Cort
Teacher
RJC



Miss Ridgley
Teacher
RCR



Mrs Smith
Learning Support Assistant



Mrs Marie-Christie
Learning Support Assistant

Attendance

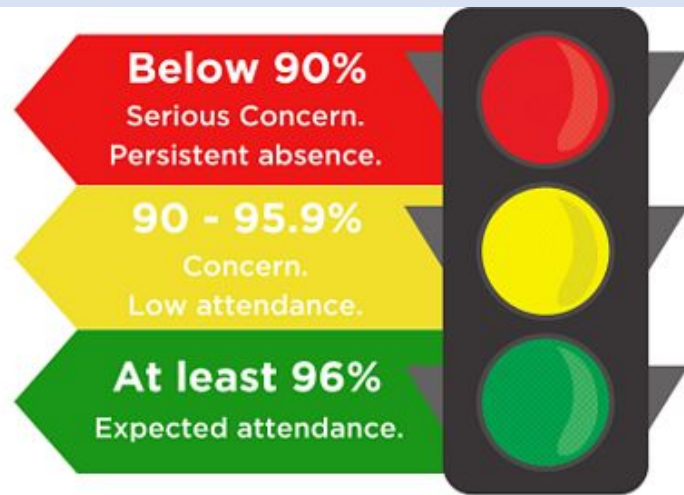
Our **Family Support worker, Miss Sheikh**, works with all children and families to ensure that they are attending school and able to access the learning that they are entitled to, in order to reach their full potential. Any time off can really affect a child's education.

Yearly Attendance	Yearly Days Missed	Yearly Learning Hours Missed	Learning Hours Missed Over 5 Years
100%	0	0	0
97%	6	30	150
95%	10	50	250
90%	20	100	500
80%	40	200	1000
50%	100	500	2500

pupilabsence@haydonabbey.bucks.sch.uk

Absences must be notified, to this email address, **everyday** of absence before 9.00 am. This is a statutory requirement for safeguarding purposes.

Any sickness and diarrhea - 24 hours after the last bout.
Holidays during term time are always unauthorized and may lead to a fine from county.



Expected attendance means having no more than seven days off this school year!

Settling In

Your children will have time to settle into Reception in September.

This will give them an opportunity to spend more time with their teacher, to ensure that they feel safe and secure in their new environment and helps us to build a secure relationship with them.

September settling in sessions

Half day: Thursday 3rd September

Half day: Friday 4th September

Full time: Monday 7th September

Your child's individual times have been shared with you.



First Full Day

Please use the main gate on Weedon Road

The school day is: 8.30 till 3.00pm

Reception parents should walk their children to their child's outdoor play area gate

Children can ride their bikes or scooters to school but for safety, please ensure that they dismount before entering the school site

Please ensure that you are prompt and on time for school, every day. Lateness can be very disruptive and learning begins straight away.





Haydon Abbey School Values



Kindness



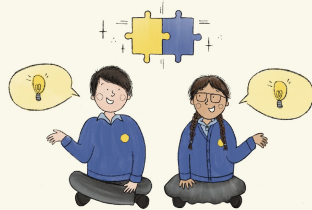
Resilience



Honesty



Cooperation



Respect

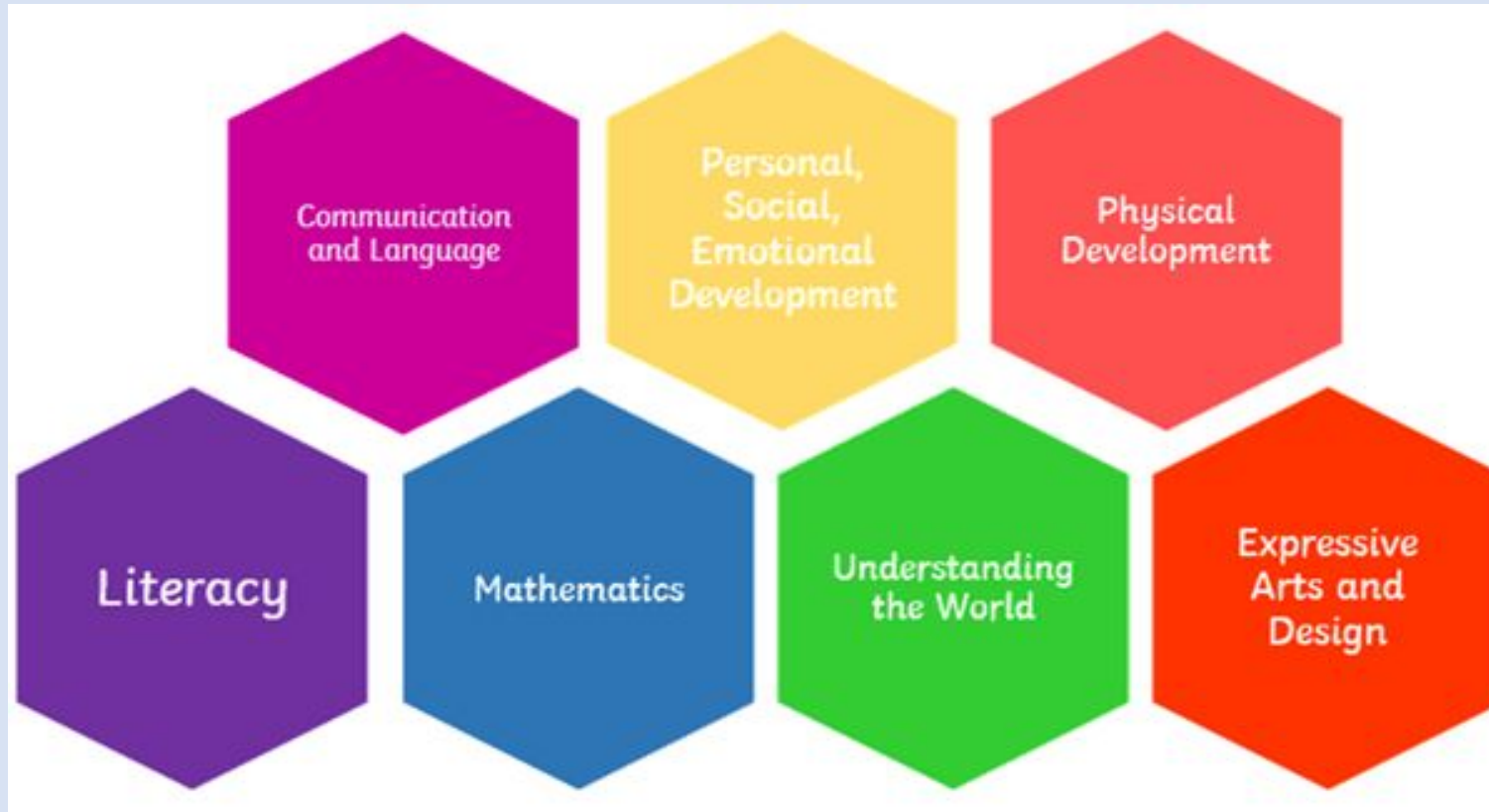


Wellbeing



Ready – Respectful - Safe

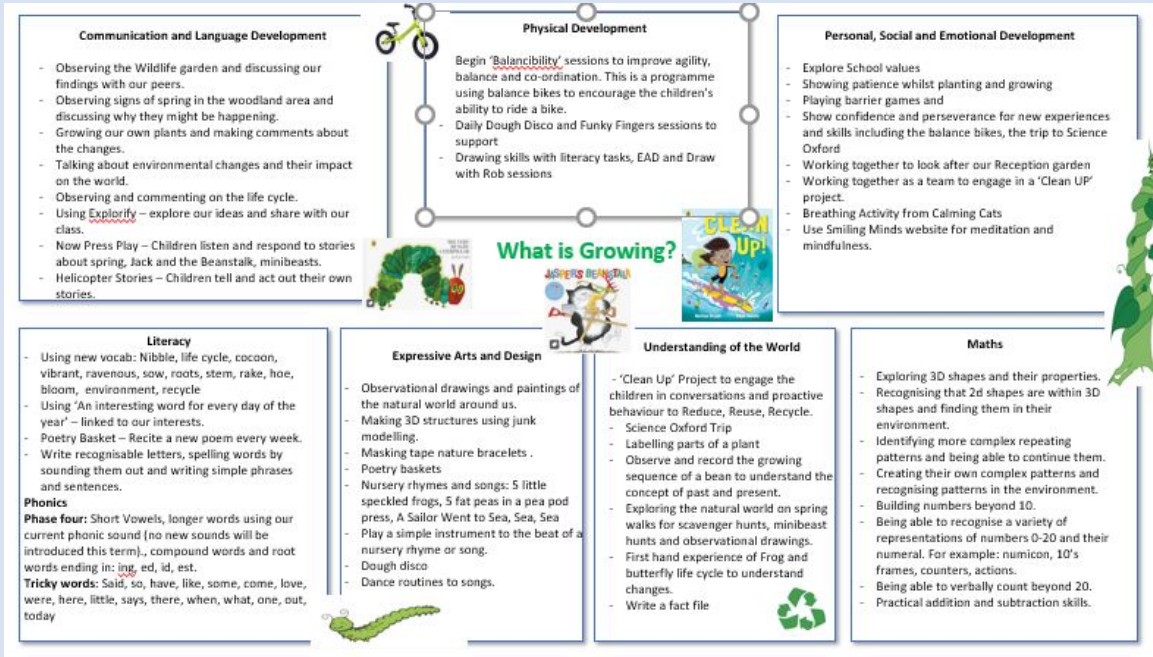
The Early Years Curriculum



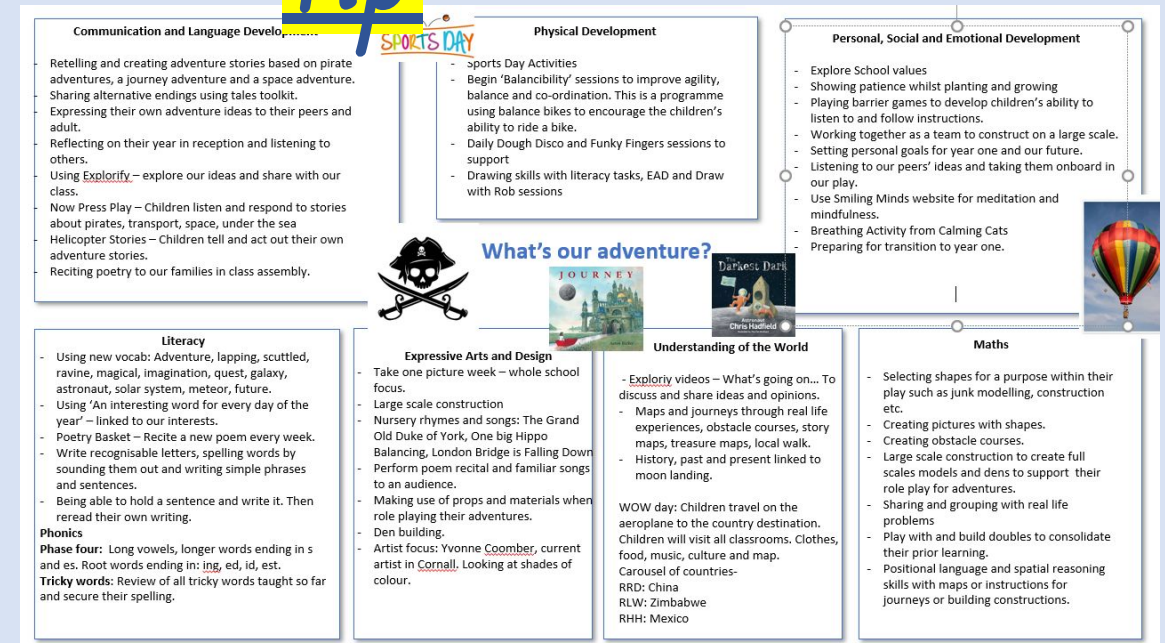
**Child Initiated
Learning through
Play**

Adult Led Learning

**Adult Initiated
Learning through
play**



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- very rhyme together at bedtime

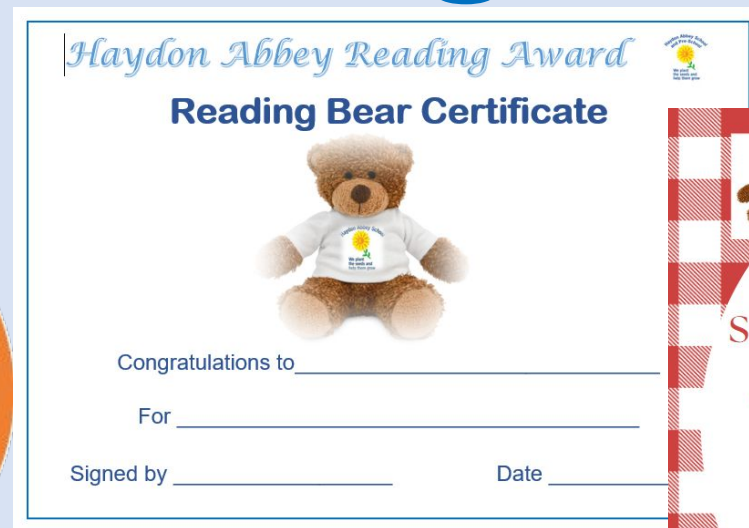


Each half term you will receive an over view of the curriculum for Reception, to support your understanding of what the children will be experiencing at school and to continue their learning at home.

A typical day in Reception...

Time	Activity
8.30	Fine Motor Skills & Morning Register
8.45	Reading Practice
9.05	Dough Disco/Poetry Basket and Snack
9.25	Carpet Time: Literacy
9.35	Learning Through Play
10.45	Tidy Up
11.00	Phonics
11.20	Story Time
11.30	Lunch Time – Eat in the Hall
12.00	Playground
12.30	Afternoon Register
12.40	Carpet Time: Maths
12.50	Learning through play
2.10	Tidy Up
2.25	Handwriting and Story Time
3.00	Home Time

We are a Reading school



You **MUST** listen to your child read 3 times per week and sign their reading record book.

Come along to our **Reception Curriculum Presentation:**
Tuesday 15th September

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

Zones of Regulation

Blue Zone	Green Zone	Yellow Zone	Red Zone
 Sick	 Happy	 Frustrated	 Angry
 Sad	 Calm	 Worried	 Mean
 Tired	 Feeling OK	 Silly	 Yelling
 Bored	 Focussed	 Excited	 Hitting
 Moving slowly	 Ready to learn	 Loss of some control	 Disgusted
 Depressed	 Alert	 Restless	 Biting



Personal, Social & Emotional Development

Top

Transition

or you could begin to build emotional resilience by:

Tip

- Ensuring that they follow and adhere to simple boundaries.
- Begin soothing themselves (drop the dummy and bottle, if they still have them)
- Can develop a level of independence with self care (toileting, eating with knife and fork, walking rather than being carried or pushed in a buggy)
- Ensure a good sleep routine is in place

Forest School Fun



Forest school happens in the Autumn 1, Spring 2 and the whole of the summer term. Over the winter we let the forest school site rest.

You will get a letter to explain what they will need and when the sessions are nearer the time.

Forest School kit:

They will need appropriate clothing for the weather and wellies/walking boots

Benefits:

- Safe risk taking opportunities
- Allows children to play in a safe natural environment
- Builds confidence, independence and self esteem

During forest school they will:

- Build dens
- Climb trees
- Play in the mud
- Toast marshmallows over a campfire

Snack

Children in Reception will have the opportunity to eat a range of health fruits and vegetables for their snack, along with a drink of either milk or water. These are provided by the school.



Please provide your child with a named water bottle everyday

Water only

Hot School Meals



In September, you will be able to order food online for your child.

Whilst we admit your child and get you set up on the app, you can make choices for their first few weeks today.

Top Transition Tip

Over the summer:

- Eat at the table with your child
- Give them a knife and fork to use, rather than a spoon
- Children should be eating independently

Packed Lunch Policy

Energy for Learning: Helps your child focus and learn.

Playtime Power: Keeps them active and happy.

Growing Strong: Gives them the nutrients they need to grow.

Good Habits: Teaches them about healthy food choices.

Think of these key groups:

Energy Foods: Ideas: Sandwiches, wraps, pasta, rice, crackers.

Super Fruits & Veggies: Ideas: Apple slices, grapes, carrot sticks, cucumber.

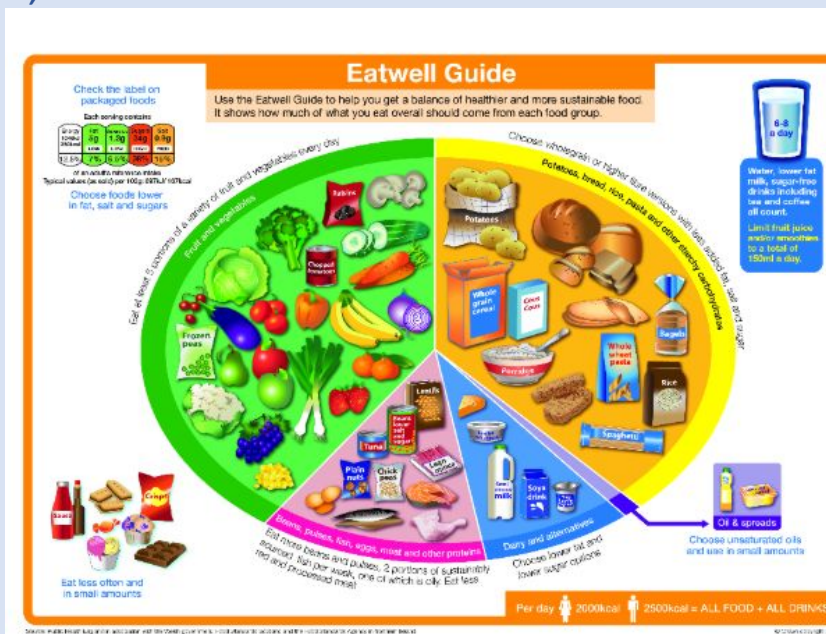
Strong Bones (Dairy/Alternatives): Ideas: Yogurt (low sugar), cheese, milk.

Best Drink: WATER!

Tip for preparing Fruit and Vegetables: Where possible cut into batons. Cut any small round fruits into small, easy pieces.

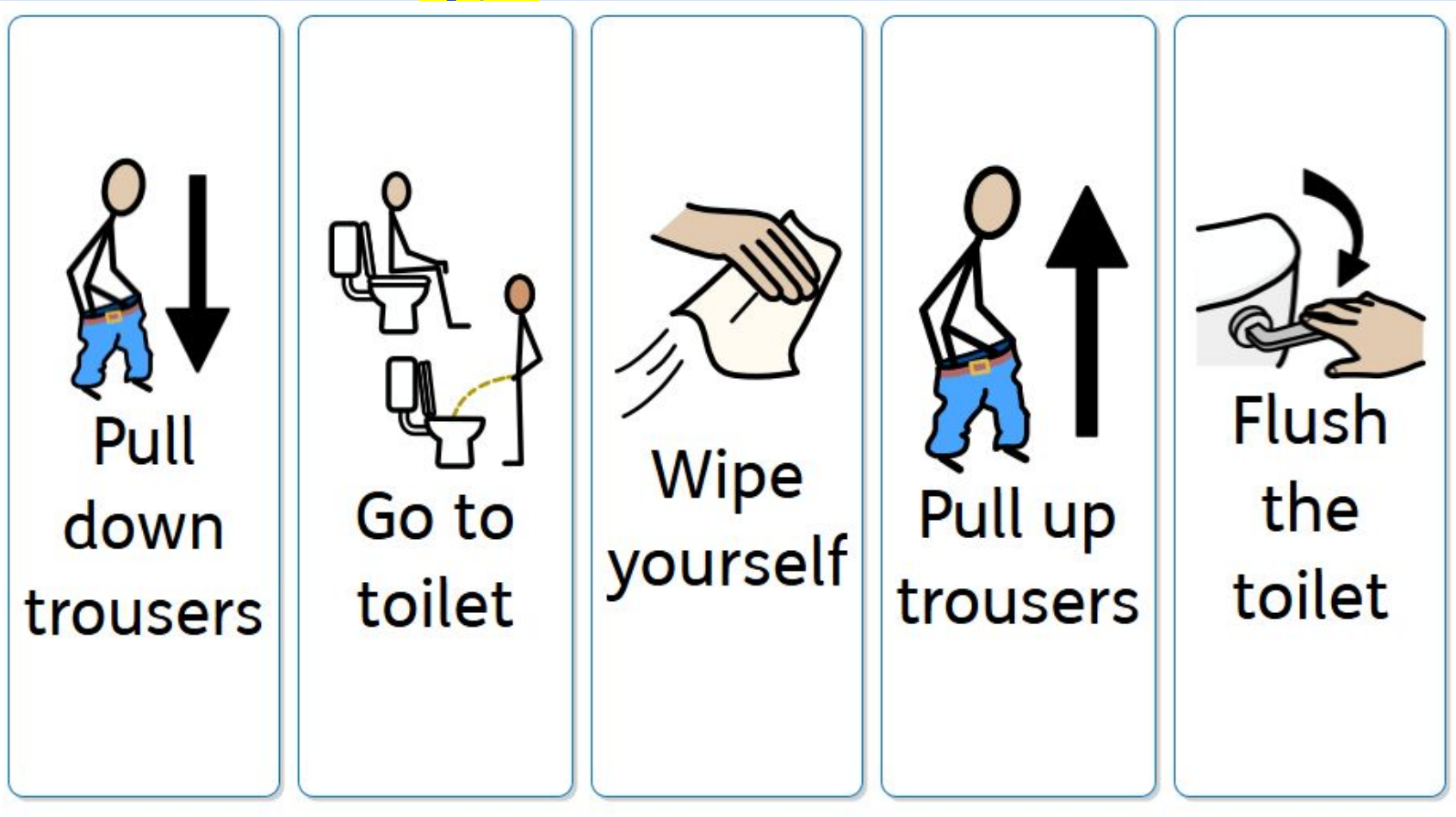
ENSURE YOU HAVE A COLD PACK IN TO KEEP FOODS AT A SAFE TEMPERATURE

Allergy Aware: No products containing **Nuts or Sesame**
Children in our school have life threatening allergies to these.



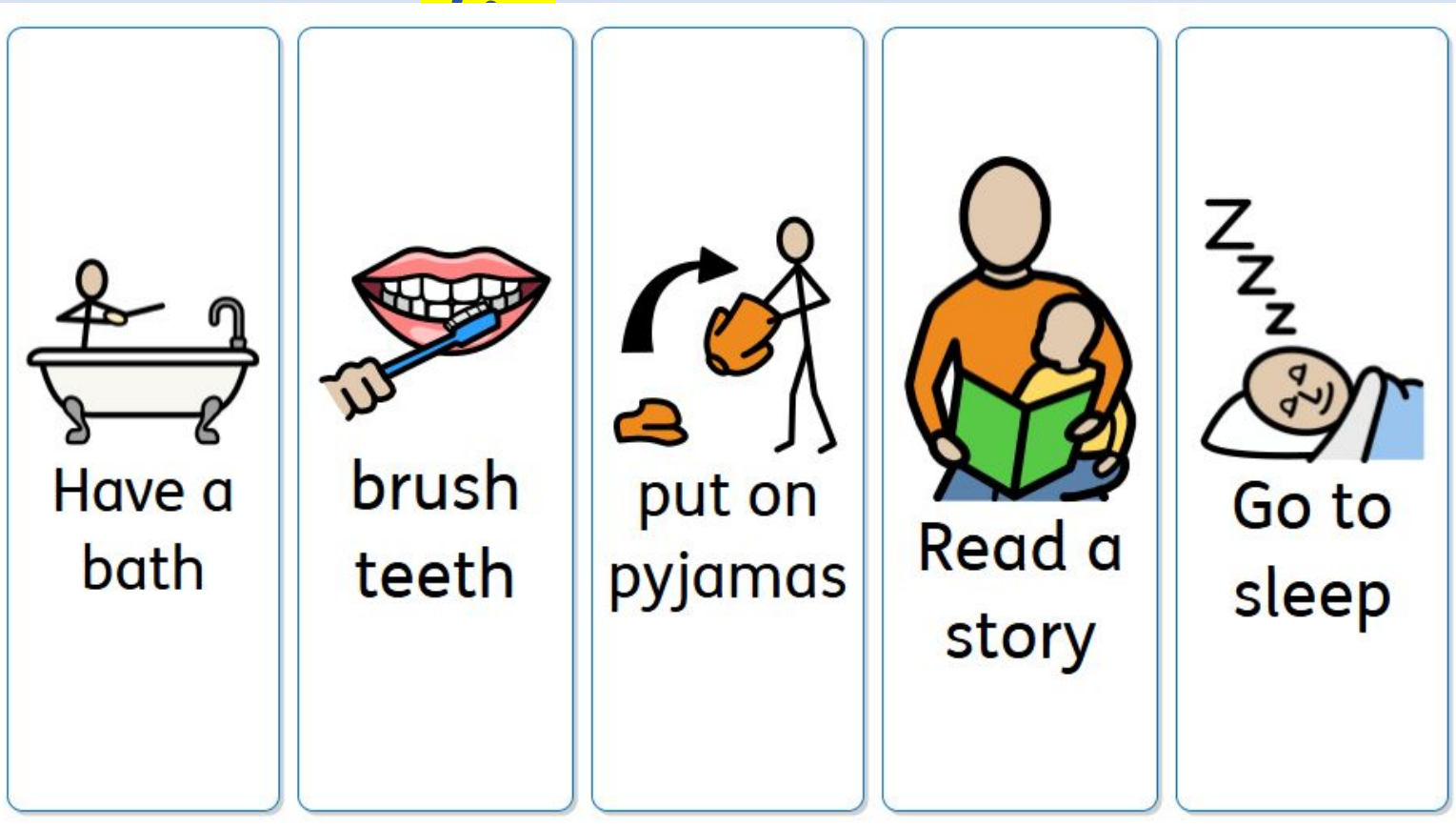
We will teach the children to understand the Eatwell Guide so they know the basics of a healthy and varied diet.

Top Transition



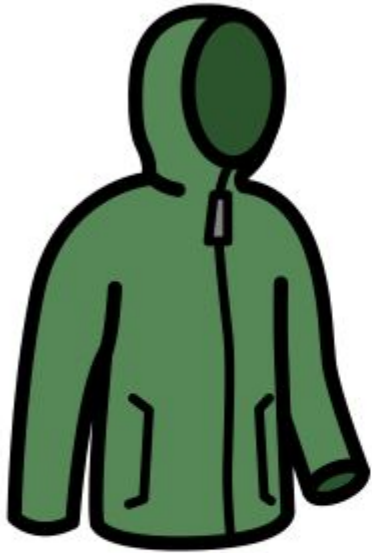
1. **Toilet independently** – try not helping physically but talking your child through the steps of wiping their own bottom, flushing the chain and washing their hands effectively.

Top Transition



Healthy sleep routines – For children to attend school all day, they need to be well rested. Ensure that bedtime has a clear routine to signify bed; bath, story, bed. If you have any issues with this, you can contact the Health Visiting Team for support.

Top Transition



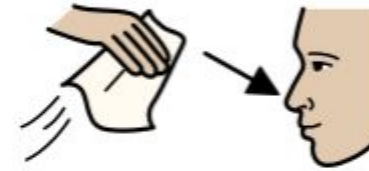
Put on own
coat



Put on own
shoes



Brush
teeth twice
per day



Wipe own
nose

Self Care Skills – Practice putting on **coats and shoes** themselves. Children need to **brush their teeth twice** per day. Brushing before bedtime is the most important. Encourage them to **wipe their own nose**, using a mirror and talking them through it.

Top Transition Tip



Screen time – Reduce screen time.
The guidance is to limit to **less than 1 hour per day**.



Encourage Walking – Children need to develop **independence and stamina to walk** by themselves, not be carried or pushed.
We will be going on local walks.

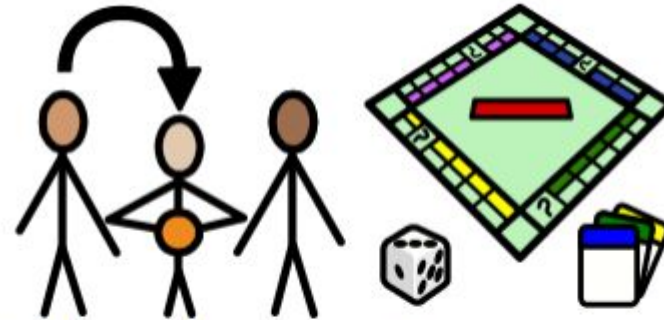
Top Transition Tip



Encourage drinking
water

Water – Encourage your child to **drink water** between meals as only water is permitted in their drink bottles throughout the day.

Top Transition



Play board games

Play board games – Develop **turn taking** and **resilience** to win and lose.



Read a bedtime
story

Read to your child – Link this with your **daily routine** such as at bedtime.

Breakfast Club

Opens at 7.45am

Doors close at 8.00am

Reception children must settle in first, so they will be able to start after the October Half Term.

Places must be booked on online

After School Club

www.simplyoutofschool.co.uk

email admin@simplyoutofschool.co.uk

phone 01656 372910

Dates for the diary

TERM DATES 2026 - 2027

	Open on Morning of:	Close at end of afternoon of:
Autumn Term 2026	Thursday 3 September 2026 Tuesday 3 November 2026	Friday 23 October 2026 Friday 18 December 2026 (1:15 pm close)
Spring Term 2027	Tuesday 5 January 2027 Monday 22 February 2027	Friday 12 February 2027 Thursday 25 March 2027 (1:15 pm close)
Summer Term 2027	Monday 12 April 2027 Tuesday 8 June 2027	Friday 28 May 2027 Wednesday 21 July 2027 (1:15 pm close)
In-Service Training Days	Tuesday 1 September 2026 Wednesday 2 September 2026 Monday 2 November 2026 Monday 4 January 2027 Monday 7 June 2027	
Bank Holidays:	Monday 3 May 2027	

Uniform

NAME YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHES AND SHOES

GIRLS

Dark grey skirt, pinafore dress or trousers

(Summer blue and white gingham dress - optional)

Pale blue polo shirt

Haydon Abbey jumper/cardigan

Kameez (optional) - dark grey

Hijab - one piece - royal blue, if worn (£3.50 from school office)

Haydon Abbey Fleece (outdoor wear)

White socks

Black shoes only - high heels and boots are not permitted

BOYS

Long dark grey trousers

(Summer grey shorts)

Pale blue polo shirt

Haydon Abbey jumper

Haydon Abbey Fleece (outdoor wear)

Grey socks

Black shoes only



PL Schoolwear: Unit 1. Goodchild Parkway Sir Henry Lee Crescent **Aylesbury** Bucks HP180PE



Don't forget to purchase
your child's book bag

PE Uniform

Pale blue t-shirt (school logo)
Black or navy blue shorts
Navy sweatshirt (school logo or plain)
Navy joggers
Socks
Trainers

Jewellery is not allowed with the exception of one pair of stud earrings but these must be removed for PE and swimming.

We will inform you of your child's
PE days. They must come dressed
in their PE kit on their PE day



Parent and Teacher Association (PTA)

The PTA do lots of lovely things for our children through the year and we are very thankful for them.

What does the PTA do?



Some of Our Events:

- Parties
- Donut Sales
- Bake & Bonnet Competitions
- Summer Fair
- Bake Sales
- Xmas Fair
- Circus
- Reading Challenge
- Mufti Days
- Name The Gonk
- Raffles

Make A
Difference.
Get Involved.
Have Your Say.



Ready to sign up?

pta@haydonabbey.bucks.sch.uk

Some of the things we have funded:

- Towards KS1 Playground Equipment
- Reception Mud Kitchen
- Coaches for Year 6 Leavers Thorpe Park Trip
- Lots of Books
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A great way to make sure all your child's items are labels and helping us to, as we receive 30% commission on all orders.

10 Reason to join us:

1. We need you!
2. To make a difference.
3. Its rewarding.
4. Help to support the school.
5. Great way to meet other parents.
6. Our children benefit.
7. The school benefits.
8. Feel Involved.
9. We have fun!
10. Keep our PTA going.

Laura Elliot – Head of the PTA

Thank you for coming