



## **WELCOME TO RECEPTION** MALTBY LILLY HALL ACADEMY

2021-2022



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## MALTBY LILLY HALL ACADEMY | WELCOME

### Welcome to Reception class at Maltby Lilly Hall Academy



We would like to warmly welcome you and your child to the Reception class in the Early Years Foundation Stage at Maltby Lilly Hall Academy, part of the Maltby Learning Trust. We provide your child with a safe and stimulating learning environment in which they can thrive, explore and develop their interests and abilities as well as gain new knowledge and understanding across the seven areas of learning and development. Starting school is a very special time and we hope to support both you and your child on this exciting journey.

#### **OFSTED February 2018**

Maltby Lilly Hall Early Years Provision has been awarded with the 'OUTSTANDING' Ofsted judgement.

*"Children learn in a stimulating environment which is lively, engaging and suited to the needs of the children's development and well-being. They make very good rates of progress and are extremely well prepared academically and socially for the next stage of their education."* – **Ofsted February 2018**



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**MALTBY LILLY HALL ACADEMY** | WELCOME TO RECEPTION CLASS

We are the Reception Teachers



Mrs Gibson



Miss Brown



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## MALTBY LILLY HALL ACADEMY | MEET THE TEAM

### MEET THE RECEPTION CLASS SUPPORT TEAM

Welcome to Maltby Lilly Hall Academy

**Miss O'Donovan**  
Early Years  
Teaching Assistant



**Miss Powell**  
Early Years Teaching  
Assistant



**Mrs Leary**  
Early Years  
Practitioner



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## MALTBY LILLY HALL ACADEMY | MEET THE SLT TEAM

### MEET THE SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Welcome to Maltby Lilly Hall Academy



Mr Horrigan  
Executive Principal



Mr Pease  
Principal



Mrs Searson  
Nursery Teacher, Early Years Lead &  
Vice Principal



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## MALTBY LILLY HALL ACADEMY | WELCOME

WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL | Where to find your child's classroom



Foundation Stage Entrance

### Mrs Gibson's Class and Miss Brown's Class

When you arrive at school you will follow a path up to the Foundation Stage entrance where Mrs Gibson and Miss Brown will meet and greet the children. There is a one-way system around school. Due to 'safety first' measures which are implemented on site. Parents are not yet permitted to enter the school building. Therefore, parents and children will be supported to say their goodbyes at the entrance to the Foundation Stage unit.

Please enter school via the Lilly Hall Road entrance and exit via the Cliff Hill gate.

8:45am-3:15pm

(subject to changes – Government/Trust guidance)



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# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### Organisation - Reception Class

Children aged 4-5 are the Early Years Foundation Stage 2 (Reception) and attend on a full-time basis, including dinner time. Hot and cold lunch choices are provided by school or your child can bring a packed lunch if they wish. School will re-open on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September** and we will be phasing children in, in small groups each day over the first 3 days. A letter has been sent out on MyEd/Email stating your child's start date and class teacher. School times for Reception are 8:45-3.15pm. Adults who bring children to school should inform the class teacher if there is a different adult collecting the child on that day. You can also call school to inform us that your child may leave with another adult on that day. This is to keep our children safe. Adults will bring and collect children from outside the Foundation Stage unit/KS1 gate. Teachers will be there to meet and greet the children.

### Learning Environment

Children will have the opportunity to access continuous provision inside and outside for extended periods of time alongside their teaching staff. Phonics, Reading, Writing and Maths will also be taught in direct sessions within the classroom. Children also have access to the outdoor classroom via Forest School provision.






# MALTBY LILLY HALL ACADEMY | WHAT CAN I BRING TO SCHOOL?


## What can I bring to school?

### Your child will need to bring the following items to school:

1. A water bottle labelled with their name.
2. Coat / Sun Hat (weather permitted).
3. Blue School Book Bag (if you wish)- All children will be provided with a plastic school bag for their reading records, books and home learning.
4. Lunch is provided by school (Hot and cold choices) or you can bring a packed lunch if you wish.
5. PE Kits- your child will need a plain white t shirt and black shorts in a drawstring bag. PE Kits must be brought to school on a Monday and will be sent home each Friday.



### SCHOOL UNIFORM



**Is your child ready for School Nursery?**

It's an exciting time now as you plan, choose and order your child's first Maltby Lilly Hall Academy school uniform. Our school uniform is available online at the following link, where you can create your own account. Please be aware that under current Covid-19 circumstances orders are taking much longer than usual to process. To avoid disappointment please do order your uniforms well in advance.

We would love to see your children in their new uniform. Send all pictures to [info@maltbylillyhallacademy.com](mailto:info@maltbylillyhallacademy.com) for the teachers to see their smiles.

**PINDERS**

Please could all uniform items have children's names written in as this ensures that any clothing left around school is return to the correct owner. For any new starters or parents unsure of correct uniform, the guidelines are as follows:


- Royal blue jumper/sweatshirt/cardigan (with or without school logo)
- Plain white shirt/blouse/polo-shirt
- Dark grey or black trousers/skirts/shorts (summer term only)
- White, black or grey socks
- Black school shoes

Ways to order uniform are:


Telephone: 01709 720043

Website: [www.pindersschoolwear.com](http://www.pindersschoolwear.com)

E-mail: [info@pindersschoolwear.com](mailto:info@pindersschoolwear.com)



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## MALTBY LILLY HALL ACADEMY | IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### Uniform

Our school uniform is provided by Pinders Schoolwear

[www.pindersschoolwear.co.uk](http://www.pindersschoolwear.co.uk)

Our school colour is royal blue. Clothing that is comfortable and easy for your child to manage is a good idea and shoes and coats that are easily fastened independently are also a big help! Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name.

### Dinner and Snack

Healthy snacks will be provided by school. At this current time, to prevent cross contamination, children are required to bring into school their own water bottle clearly labelled with their name. We actively promote a healthy lifestyle and often have home/school projects and encourage plenty of fresh air through outdoor learning and physical development every day. The Reception children stay for school dinners, which are freshly prepared on site. A menu will be provided and put on our website.

### MyEd App

We would like to introduce you to our school communication App – MyEd. It is a fantastic new way to communicate and share information with you, our parent community. At Maltby Lilly Hall Academy we want you to feel as much a part of your son/daughter's education as possible and with the increased use of smart phone technology, the free App provides a great way to keep up to date with Academy information. **The App gives you direct access to:** Your son/daughter's attendance and punctuality data, Important Academy information including; key dates (which can be added directly to your smartphone calendar), Maltby Lilly Hall Academy news and a link to ParentPay. The information is updated daily. We are able to send you messages directly to the App and links to letters and consent forms relating to important information about your son/daughter's education. We can also send you details of events and visits that are taking place. You will receive a notification if we send you a message and there is no charge for the messages you send to us. **The App is available to Android and Apple**

#### **smartphone users. To download the App:**

- Go to the App store or Google Play and search for 'My Ed'
- Select a School – either type in Maltby Lilly Hall Academy or use our postcode S66 8AU.
- Add your details (not your son/daughter's) Full Name, Mobile Number, Email Address and Click on Link Account.
- Security Code – You will be sent a security code by a text message to finish creating your account. Type the code into the App and press Create Account.

### Attendance

It is important for children to attend school unless unwell. Getting children into good routines and habits as young as possible supports their learning and development. However, if your child is unable to attend school due to illness please call the school office/message through 'MyEd' on the first day of absence. If your child has had sickness and / or diarrhoea please allow 48 hours before returning your child to school.



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# The Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum

At Maltby Lilly Hall Academy we deliver a curriculum based on the framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage. This describes the seven areas of learning and development which **“must be implemented through planned, purposeful play.”**

### The Prime Areas of Learning and Development

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Physical Development

Communication and Language



### The Specific Areas of Learning and Development

Literacy

Mathematics

Understanding of the World

Expressive Arts and Design





# The Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum

### Unique Child

*"Practitioners must consider the individual needs, interests, and stage of development of each child in their care and must use this information to plan a challenging and enjoyable experience for each child in all areas of learning and development."*

### **Revised EYFS 2014**

The framework also states **that** "Practitioner must respond to each child's emerging needs and interests, guiding their development through warm, positive interaction." We have a fantastic team of adults who put this into practice every day.

In addition, the framework describes **"Three characteristics of effective teaching and learning.....Playing and exploring.....active learning and creating and thinking critically."** These describe exactly the approach we take to learning in The Woodlands Early Years Foundation Stage at Maltby Lilly Hall Academy.

### **Characteristics of Effective Learning**

**Playing and Exploring** -Children investigate and experience things, and 'have a go'  
**Active Learning**- Keep on trying if they encounter difficulties and enjoy achievements.  
**Creating and thinking critically**- Children have and develop their own ideas, make links between ideas and develop strategies for doing things.





## MALTBY LILLY HALL ACADEMY | LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT



### Learning and Development

What Teaching Interaction Looks like in  
The Woodlands Early Years Foundation Stage at Maltby Lilly  
Hall Academy

- Modelling
- Instructing
- Modelling language
- Showing
- Explaining
- Demonstrating
- Exploring ideas
- Encouraging
- Pondering
- Recalling
- Providing a narrative for what they are doing
- Facilitating
- Setting challenges
- Suggesting

### Phonics

In Reception we teach phonics daily using the 'Read, Write, Inc' programme, which continues through the Foundation Stage and to the end of Key Stage 1. Your child will be taught skills for reading and writing. Children 'get off to a flying start' in reading in our Early years Foundation Stage.



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## MALTBY LILLY HALL ACADEMY | LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

- We teach children how to minimise how messy they get and they do get better at this as they get older, but it's part of their learning and development – you can't expect them not to get messed up playing in mud. We will not compromise on allowing children to play outdoors as we believe it to be an essential component of young children's learning and development.
- Children must be allowed to experience the world around them in a full, messy, muddy, wet environment if they are to make useful meaning of it. Getting wet does not cause us to catch a cold. If the cold virus is around, we may pick it up regardless of whether we are wet or dry.



### Outdoor Learning

All children will be given the opportunity to play and learn outside throughout most of the day, every day whatever the weather. It is important that you dress your child for school appropriately: warm clothes and waterproof coat when it's cold and wet; sun hat and sun screen when it's sunny. Children get wet, muddy and messy when they play outside. We provide protective clothing for your child to wear, although you can help by providing wellington boots to keep at school and waterproof suits when asked by your teacher.



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## MALTBY LILLY HALL ACADEMY | LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT



### Forest School Provision

Forest School is a learning approach that sits within and compliments the wider context of outdoor and woodland education. Forest School is an inspirational programme that offers all learners regular opportunities to achieve and develop confidence and self-esteem through hands-on learning experiences in a natural environment. At Maltby Lilly Hall Academy we build on this learning approach and have developed our own outdoor Forest School sessions.

### Our Forest School

Your child will participate in regular outdoor learning as part of the Forest School sessions. You will be notified when it is your child's turn to participate. The children have thoroughly enjoyed these activities and we look forward to starting this again with our new children!



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## Assessment

In the foundation stage, children's learning and development is assessed through observations of children's independent learning, high-quality interactions with adults and information provided by parents and carers. This enables us to get a true feel for and holistic view of each child's abilities and what their next steps would be, as they work towards their Early Learning Goals. These are tracked throughout the year and each child's achievements and next steps are shared with parents. Regular meetings take place to talk about children's learning, development and progress.



As your child's first educator we value and appreciate your input into your child's learning journey. We welcome your contribution by sharing with us your child's learning at home.





## A Tour of one of our Reception Classrooms





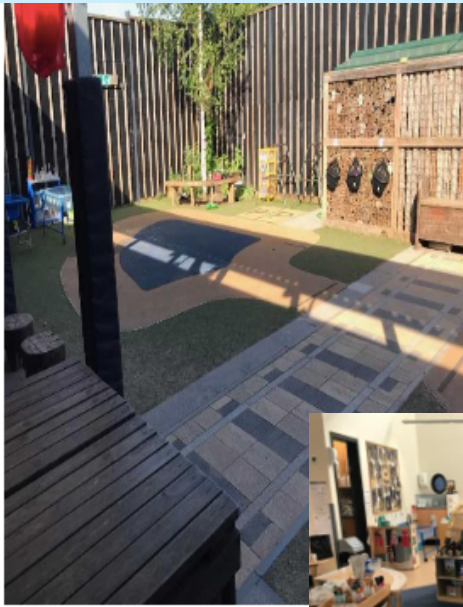


## Our Classrooms





## Our Classrooms







# THANK YOU

Thank you for listening to the presentation. We hope you have found it useful. If you have any further questions, please contact me via Purple Mash or via school email [info@maltbylillyhallacademy.com](mailto:info@maltbylillyhallacademy.com).

We look forward to welcoming you all to Reception class in September 2021.

**From Mrs Gibson & Miss Brown  
Reception Class Teachers**

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