

Together Time

We like to get to know you and your child before they begin their learning journey with us, that's why we have links with Portage, local nursery schools and The Rainbow Centre.

Once every half term we have a topic based activity afternoon specifically for you and your child to come along and play with our current early years pupils, meet the team and ask any questions you may have.

On your first visit you will be given a brief tour of the school and then you are free to join in with the fun. If you decide that St Francis is the school for your child then this is a fabulous way to begin transitioning into their nursery or reception place.

Please contact the school for the next Together Time date!

Keeping in Touch

We know that it is important for you to be kept up to date with your child's progress, day to day care and successes.

We will write to you to give you information about your child's day in a home school diary.

Once a year your child will have an EHCP review where you will get to look over their targets for the year and discuss the progress they've made so far.

We also love to showcase just how brilliant our students are and that's why we invite parents in to join us for various events throughout the year.

If you have any more questions please don't hesitate to contact the school office.



**Welcome to The Primary
Department**

A Guide for Parents



Early Years

When your child reaches three years old they are welcome to join us in our Early Years & Key Stage One classroom (Penguins) where they will have access to a bright, energetic and nurturing environment with an experienced and dedicated class team made up of a Teacher and learning support assistants.

In this class your child will be working on the Early Years Foundation stage using topics that are engaging, motivating and most importantly, fun!



Key Stage Two

Our Key stage 2 class (Robins) is made up of pupils aged 7-11 years old. Pupils have a class teacher and a team of support assistants to assist them with their learning.

In this class your child will be working through our assessment levels through engaging topics that change half termly.



Facilities

We have a hydrotherapy pool, a soft play area, a multi-sensory room as well as a large hall and plenty of outside space.

Classrooms have hoists and equipment for your child's individual needs where appropriate as well as equipped hygiene rooms close to each classroom.

We also have access to the facilities at our federated school Heathfield, these include a fully equipped art classroom, a swimming pool and an outside learning space.

The primary department regularly meet up with their peers from Heathfield for theme days and discover activities where they can play together and socialise.