

Welcome to Merton Bank Primary School Reception Class

Nurturing a love for learning



Never less than our best

Nurturing a Love for Learning

Play

Independence

Self confidence

Risk taking

Challenge

Communication

Responsibility

Respect

Imagination

Natural World

Friendship

Cooperation

I am 4

I'm a smooth talking, agile, and observant seeker of adventure.

I'm kind of a know-it-all...
as in I *want* to know it all.

I have more questions in me
than you have answers.

I'm perceptive enough to sense
this can frustrate you, but please
don't discount my inquisitiveness.

(Challenge me)



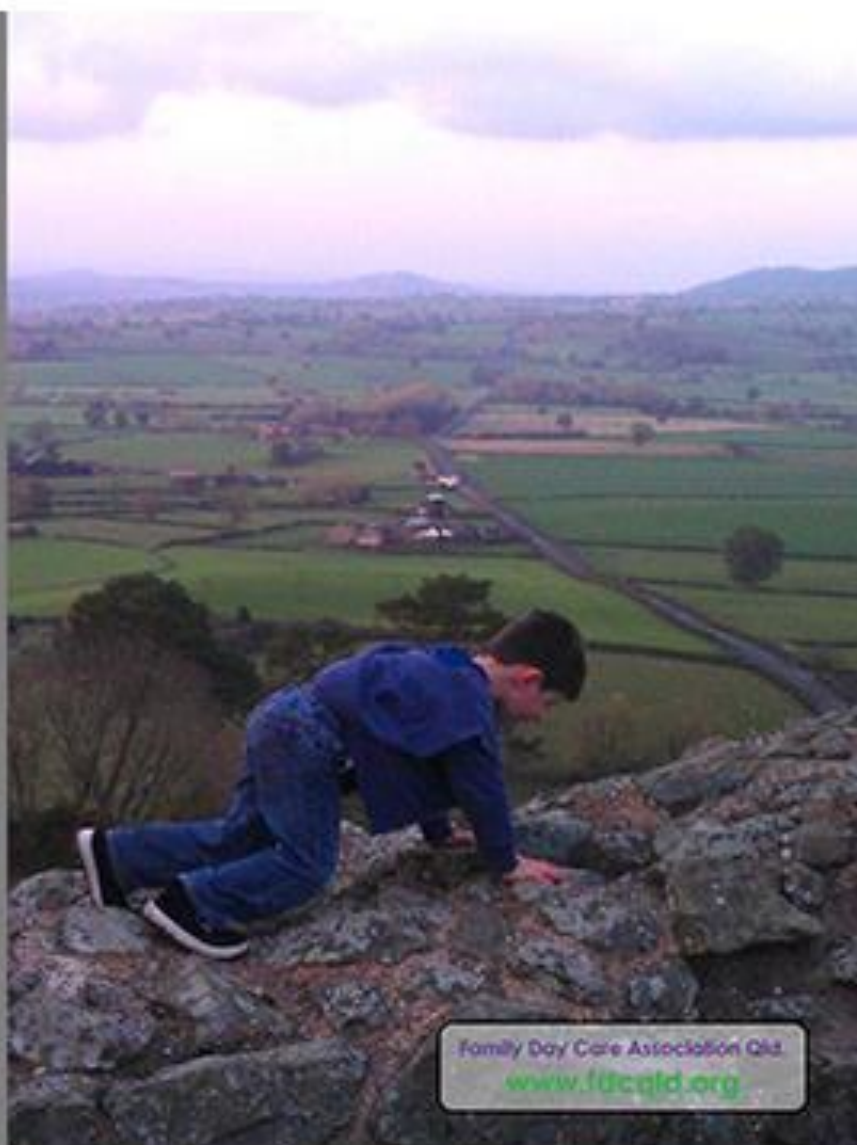
I am 5

I'm a risk taker and mess maker.

I'm a confident doer of exciting things. I'm not built for desk sitting. My busy brain craves action and novelty.

I'm not as grownup as some people think—I still need to play, move, and explore.

(Don't Rush My Childhood)



Family Day Care Association Qld.
www.fdcqld.org

Outdoor learning



There's no such thing as bad weather, just bad clothing.

We do lots of our learning outside in our allotment garden, forest area and our Early Years playground.

The essentials...

We provide:




Every child must
bring:

1. Wellington boots



2. A change of clothes in a small bag:


Socks, underwear,
teeshirt, trousers

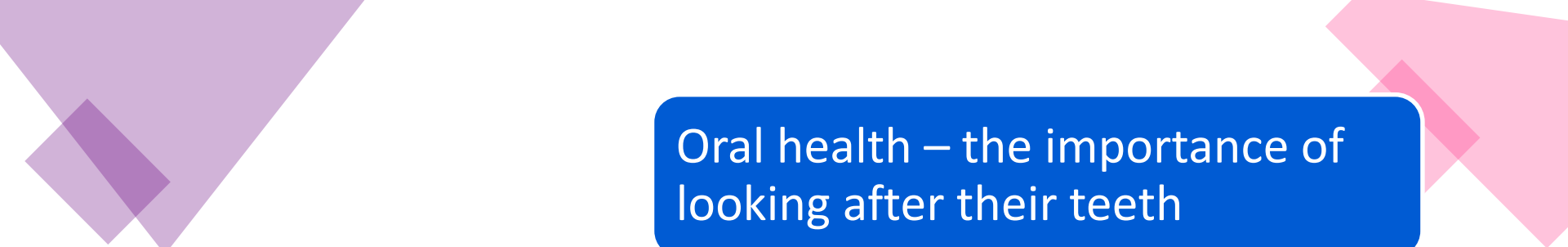


Your child is also
expected to
bring everyday:

A water bottle washed
daily and filled with
fresh water (oral
health focus)

Their reading book
bag, sound cards and
reading book





As part of the
new Statutory
Early Years
Framework, we
must teach
children about:

Oral health – the importance of
looking after their teeth

Healthy eating and being ‘treat
aware’

Bedtime routine and a good night
sleep

Drinking water


Daily physical activity

Screen Time and Online Safety



Covid is still with us so we are doing lots of things to keep us all safe:

Handwashing at the start of the day and before and after all meals (sanitiser is also available)



Social distancing around school and between classes



Asking parents and carers to continue to socially distance at pick-up and drop-off where possible

Free School Meals & Pupil Premium

Free School Meals

Your child will be eligible for free school meals if you (or your partner) are in receipt of any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (but not Working Tax Credit) and your annual gross income (as assessed by HM Revenue and Customs) is not more than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit 'run on' – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit and net earnings, from your last assessment period, is not more than £616.67 per month. (If your household's net earnings change each month then they should not exceed £1,233.34 in the last two consecutive months or £1,850 in the past three months).

Once eligible, your child will continue to receive free school meals in primary or secondary school until they finished their current phase of education i.e. primary (Year 6) or secondary (Year 11).

From 1 April 2022, if your child moves between primary and secondary school you need to reapply for free school meals.

Pupil Premium

Your child's school will also receive additional funding if you are in receipt of a qualifying award listed above. It is therefore important that you claim free school meals and the pupil premium even if your child does not wish to take a school meal or your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and already receives an infant free school meal.

[Apply for free school meals and pupil premium](#)



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