



BARNARD CASTLE  
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

WELCOME TO RECEPTION  
A GUIDE FOR CHILDREN AND PARENTS  
2023-2024



# Welcome to your new School

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We know you are going to have lots of fun!



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We have just heard some great news.  
You are starting Barnard Castle Prep  
School and you will be in Reception.  
Can we show you around?

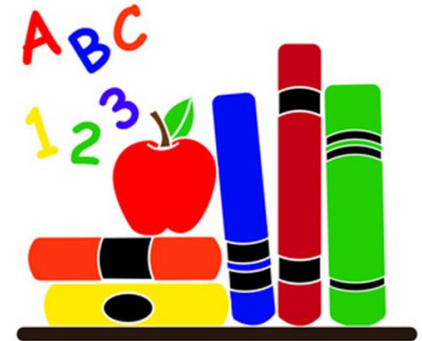




This is your  
School where  
you will learn,  
play and make  
lots of friends.



Your teacher will tell you  
about each exciting day.  
Sometimes you will learn  
about sounds, sometimes  
numbers, as well as lots of  
exciting new things.



This is the Headmistress, Mrs Turner. She takes care of the School.



This is your teacher, Mrs Leonard. She takes care of you and helps you learn.

Mrs Raper helps Mrs Leonard take care of you and also helps you learn every day.

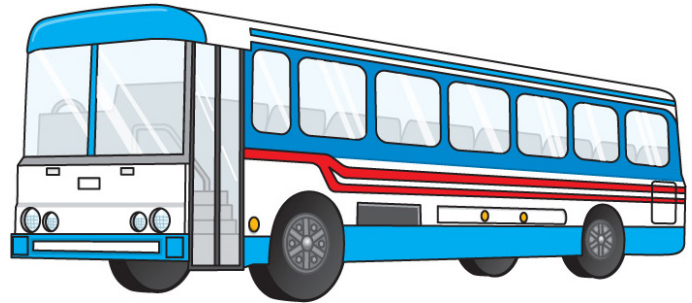


You can come to School in lots of different ways. Some children walk, lots of children come in



cars and some children

come on the  
school bus.



If you arrive at School early, the teachers will look after you in the Playground with your friends.







We all wear a very smart  
uniform to School like  
this...





and have a special bag like  
this to keep all our work in.



There are so many fun things we can do in our classroom.

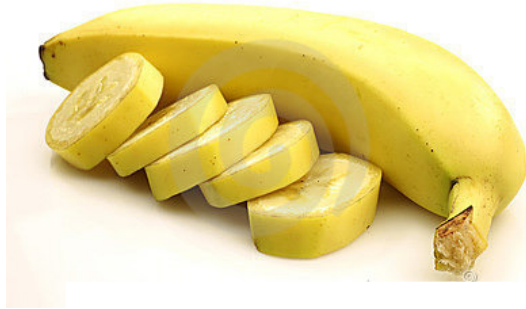






We even have our own special outdoor classroom too!

At playtimes we get a drink and some fruit for a snack before we go and play in the playground.





At lunchtime we all walk over to  
Big School for our scrummy lunch.  
What is your favourite food?







In the afternoon we might have PE,  
we might sing, we might learn to  
speak French or we might just play  
with our friends.



Somebody will collect you at home time and you can share your adventures with them going home.




Sometimes some children stay a little later and play some more with their friends or join in with an activity after School.



We hope you are excited about starting School. It is such an adventure! We can't wait to see you in September!

# Wellbeing

A teacher with long dark hair, wearing a light blue sweater and a patterned skirt, sits on the floor. She is surrounded by two young children in school uniforms. The child on the left is a girl with blonde hair, wearing a blue sweater and dark skirt, with her hands raised in the air. The child on the right is a boy with blonde hair, wearing a blue sweater and dark shorts, sitting cross-legged and looking towards the teacher. The background shows a classroom setting with a wooden shelf holding various toys, including dinosaurs and baskets, and a table with colorful bottles and alphabet cards.

Prep School is a happy place and we help to keep it that way by taking care of our wellbeing regularly. During class time in the morning, after lunch and at the end of lessons, you will spend time with your class teacher following a structured *Wellbeing Programme*, which includes yoga stretches, breathing, listening to a story or simply colouring and reading silently. Because we like to be very busy at Prep School, it is important that we all take the time to breathe, reset and ask ourselves how we are feeling.



# A Barney Education

At Prep School we help children develop skills that we feel they will need most as they continue their journey through Barney and beyond. We use the terms **Feel**, **Be**, **Share** and **Go**, and develop the following values as children progress through the School through the Prep School Superheroes.

			
<b>FEEL</b>	<b>BE</b>	<b>SHARE</b>	<b>GO</b>
<i>How you feel within</i>	<i>Who you are &amp; how you behave</i>	<i>How you interact with people</i>	<i>How you learn and make progress</i>
Gratitude Courage Resilience	Humility Integrity Humour	Compassion Service Leadership	Curiosity Endeavour Creativity







You could stick a photo here of your  
first day at Prep School.

