Bowness
Primary School | Aiming High

Welcome to Bowness Primary School



Little NESSIE'S Nursery

Meet the team...



Miss Wright
Headteacher



Miss Thorpe
Assistant Headteacher and SENDco



Mrs Dean
Class Teacher and EY Lead



Mrs Charlton
Office Manager



Mrs MacArtney
Teaching Assistant



Mrs Heenan
Teaching Assistant

Our Mission Statement

Every Child a Reader



“A school where every child has the chance to shine and is prepared for a future of possibilities.”



Every Child a Writer

Every Child Numerate



Our Core Values











'The Bowness Way'

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The Bowness Way

Be Safe
Be Ready
Be Respectful
Be Resilient

We want all of our children to become the best version of themselves and be prepared for the future.

At the end of each week in our celebration assembly, a child is rewarded for demonstrating our Bowness Way.

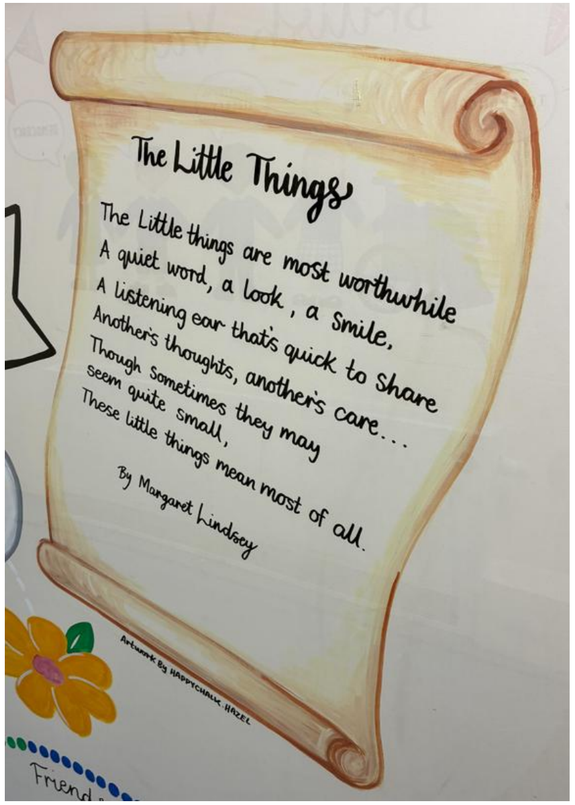


Happy

Safe

Supported

Bowness Primary School



Bowness Poems written and performed by Joshua Murray and Anaiya Fish

What is the Early Years Foundation stage?

The EYFS is the framework that guides children's learning, development and care from birth to 5.

Children learn best through play, exploration and active experiences, so we make sure school is happy, engaging and full of discovery.

Our aim is to build confidence, independence and a love of learning so every child gets the very best start.

Collaboration

Exploration

Creativity

Play

Problem Solving,
Working Together

Communication
& Positive
Relationships

Resilience

7 Areas of Learning

Communication and Language

Physical Development

Personal Social and Emotional Development

Literacy

Mathematics

Understanding the World

Expressive Arts and Design

Start and Finish Times

Reception Day
9am - 3.30pm

Doors open at 8.50am

Reception children will have a staggered start on Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th September attending for a half day.

All Reception children will come full time from Monday 7th September 2026.

Nursery Day

15 hours: 9am - 12pm

Additional sessions can be purchased for £17 (12-3pm) or £19 (12-3.30pm)

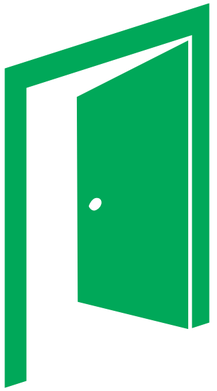
30 hours: 9am – 3pm

With an option to stay until 3.30pm for £2 per day

Doors open at 8.50am

Daily Routine

We enter in the main playground and come in through the green door labelled 'Early Years'





We do the register every morning and check that all of our friends are in. We need to be in school to learn and play!

Group work and carpet sessions take place throughout the day.



We eat our dinner in the school hall before the older children arrive and then play outside in our outdoor space.



We are collected from the same door at home time. Tired but happy!

📘 Getting to Know Your Child

During the first few weeks, we'll explore what your child already knows and can do.

This helps us tailor activities that match their abilities and interests.

🤝 Your Involvement

Please share what you know—your child's favourite things, strengths, and needs.

Your insights help us create a supportive learning environment.

Helpful Reminders

Accidents Happen!

- If your child isn't fully toilet-trained, please hang a spare set of clothes on their peg — just in case!

Pick-Up Changes?

- If someone else is collecting your child, email or call the office to let us know.

Reporting Absences

- Contact the school office by 9am if your child is absent — a quick email or phone call is all we need.

Helpful Reminders

Medications at School

- We can administer prescribed medication. Call in at the school office to sign in it in.
- We can also provide your child with paracetamol (calpol) during the day, with parental permission, should they need it.

Healthy Snacks

- Your child will be offered fresh fruit, milk, and water throughout the day.
- We also offer a daily healthy snack which can be paid for via parent pay: breadsticks, crackers, yoghurts, rice cakes etc.

Lunch Time at Bowness

Free School Meals for All!
Every Early Years child gets a free school dinner—no need to pack anything extra!

Packed Lunch Option 🥗
If you choose to send a lunch, please label the box and pack healthy items—no sweets, chocolate, or fizzy drinks (we're a healthy school!).

Smooth Online Payments 💻
Payments for trips, events, or meals are all through ParentPay. You'll get your login and guide when your child starts school.

What we need from you...













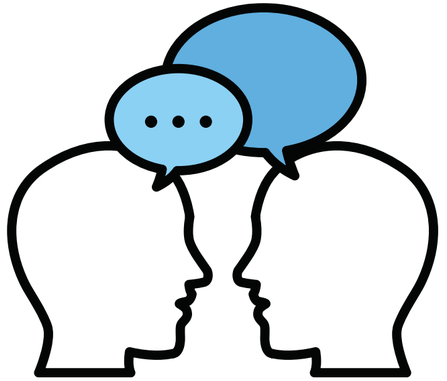


Newsletter

Communication is our highest priority!







Seesaw

Before and After School Club – The Club!

Breakfast Club: 7.30am – 9.00am
After School Club: 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Holiday Club Available – 8.00am – 4.30pm
Snacks provided

New Booking System from September
See Elliot for more details

In your school pack...

- **Data collection form – please complete and return to school**
- **Permission form**
- **School holiday list**
- **Free School Meals information**
- **Uniform Specification**
- **Starting Reception information booklet**
- **Welcome to Bowness booklet with photographs of the classroom and teachers**
- **The Club at Bowness flyer (before and after school club)**
- **NHS vaccination information**
- **Letter inviting you to a stay and play led by 'Sory Cubs'**
- **Transition Day Information**
- **The School Day Timetable**
- **A few nice surprises!**



WHOLE SCHOOL TRANSITION

Wednesday 1st July 2026

Reception 9.30 - 11.30
Nursery 1.00 - 3.00

Sory Cubs Messy Play Session

Who: Reception Children with a parent/carer.

When: Tuesday 30th June 9.00am – 10.00am in the school hall.

Welcome to the Bowness Family!



