



Excellence through cultivating character,
sharing talents and pursuing innovation



academy for character and excellence

Torre C of E Academy

Preschool Welcome Meeting July 2025

With Mrs Cowell (Deputy Headteacher/EYFS Team Leader)



Torre Preschool is where your
child's journey begins...

An outstanding start...

Strong foundations for learning...







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John 10:10.



Our Curriculum Intent

**Academies for Character
and Excellence Mission:**

*Excellence through
Cultivating Character,
Pursuing Innovation
and Sharing Talents*

At the heart of our curriculum lie three core values: pursuit of academic excellence; the explicit teaching of learning to learn which includes the development of metacognition; and crucially, character education.



EYFS

EYFS Reflective Questions

How did I do?

Was it hard or easy?

What do I find interesting?

How am I feeling?

Did the team work well?

What am I learning?



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Preschool Timetable



morning

Morning activities and register	Activities in the provision and outside play	Phonics/story and singing	Poem	snack	Learning enquiry activity and outside play	Prayer and Lunch
		learning enquiry phonics story	poem		learning enquiry	lunch



afternoon

Afternoon activities and Register	Activities in the provision and outside play	Snack	Story and Prayer	Home
			story prayer	



Preschool session times:

Our Preschool operates flexible hours, offering places for 24 children in the morning and 24 children in the afternoon. Children come to the Preschool for either a whole day including lunch club or for half a day (lunch club optional). We take children from the age of 3 years old. They start in the term after their 3rd birthday.

Morning session: 8:50am – 11:50am (no lunch session)

Afternoon session: 11.50am – 3:00pm (to include lunch session)



Our learning environments:

Our aim is to provide children with an exciting and inspiring learning environment to engage in “exploration” that is designed to challenge, cultivate character, and ensure our youngest children have high quality resources and provision to develop their knowledge and skills in all seven areas of Early Years Learning.



Early Years Curriculum Aims:

Our ACE EYFS Curriculum empowers and inspires children to be curious, empathetic, determined and unique individuals through cultivating their character.

Our children will be immersed in the experience of being a historian, scientist or writer, perhaps developing a passion that will inform their future lives.

A curriculum where knowledge and academic progress is built on character values and the ability to take on new learning and make connections.





Communication
and Language

Personal,
Social,
Emotional
Development

Physical
Development

Literacy

Mathematics

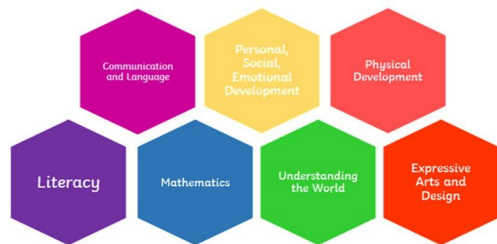
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the World

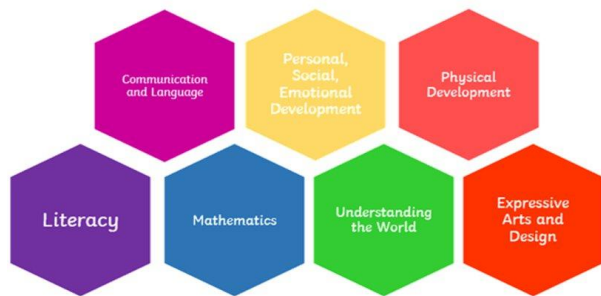
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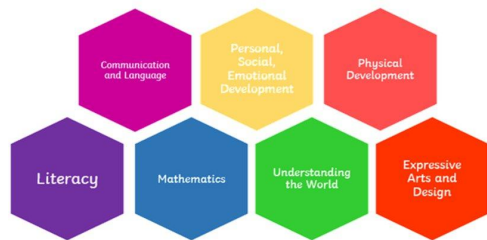












Reading

Reading and language development at home is really important to ensure good progress for your child.

We encourage your child to bring a book bag into school and once a week they will receive a library book to take home for you to share and enjoy together. As your child progresses through Preschool they will become more confident with initial sound recognition.



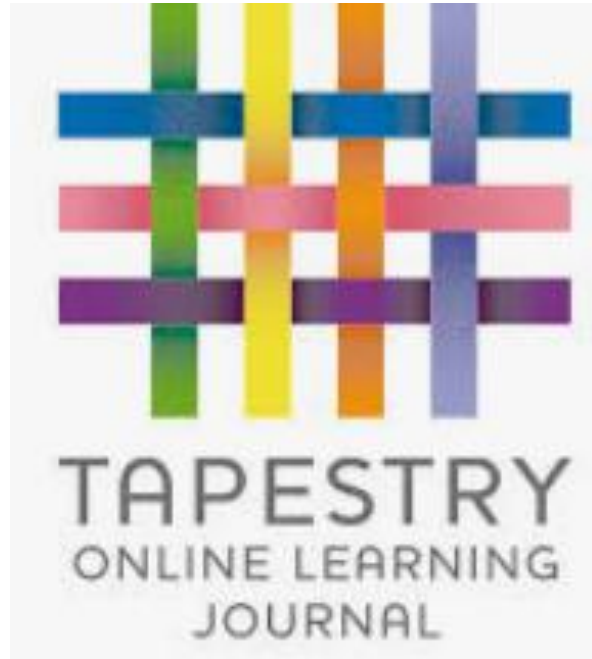
Read Write Inc.
Phonics

Our Fab Five

Star Authors



Tapestry - Online Learning Journal



Tapestry builds a special record of a child's experiences, development and learning journey through the early years education.

Tapestry is an app that enables learning experiences and memories to be shared with the child's family and weaves the story of how the child is growing and developing.

You are able to comment on your child's progress, but also have the opportunity to upload comments and media of experiences that you are having within the home learning environment.

This communication between staff and parents builds up a shared understanding of how every child can reach their full potential.

Each week we use Tapestry to send home learning with different activities and links to books so that you can support your child further within the current learning experience.



Lunchtime

As you may be aware, all children in Preschool will have their lunch with us (depending on session times). Please talk to your child about the food choices and check they are happy with what you have selected. Alternatively, please provide your child with a packed lunch for their session.

You will need to select your child's meal choice online through our school App MCAS.

The options for Preschool hot meal will be displayed on the menu (by the front door) and shared with you on Tapestry.



What does your child need to bring?

All items must be named.

- Tiny Torre Preschool school uniform (**optional but preferred** for Preschool children)

White polo shirt, school jumper/cardigan(with school logo or plain navy blue) grey/black trousers/joggers/leggings/shorts, skirt, pinafore, black school shoes with velcro (NO laces please) and grey socks or tights.

- A water bottle
- Two changes of clothes including pants/socks (these don't need to be uniform)
- Welly Boots
- Nappies/pull ups, wet wipes and nappy bags (if appropriate and still required)



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Any questions...



Thank you for coming. We hope that you and your child have found the settling in sessions helpful this week.



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