



**HIGHCLIFFE  
PRIMARY**

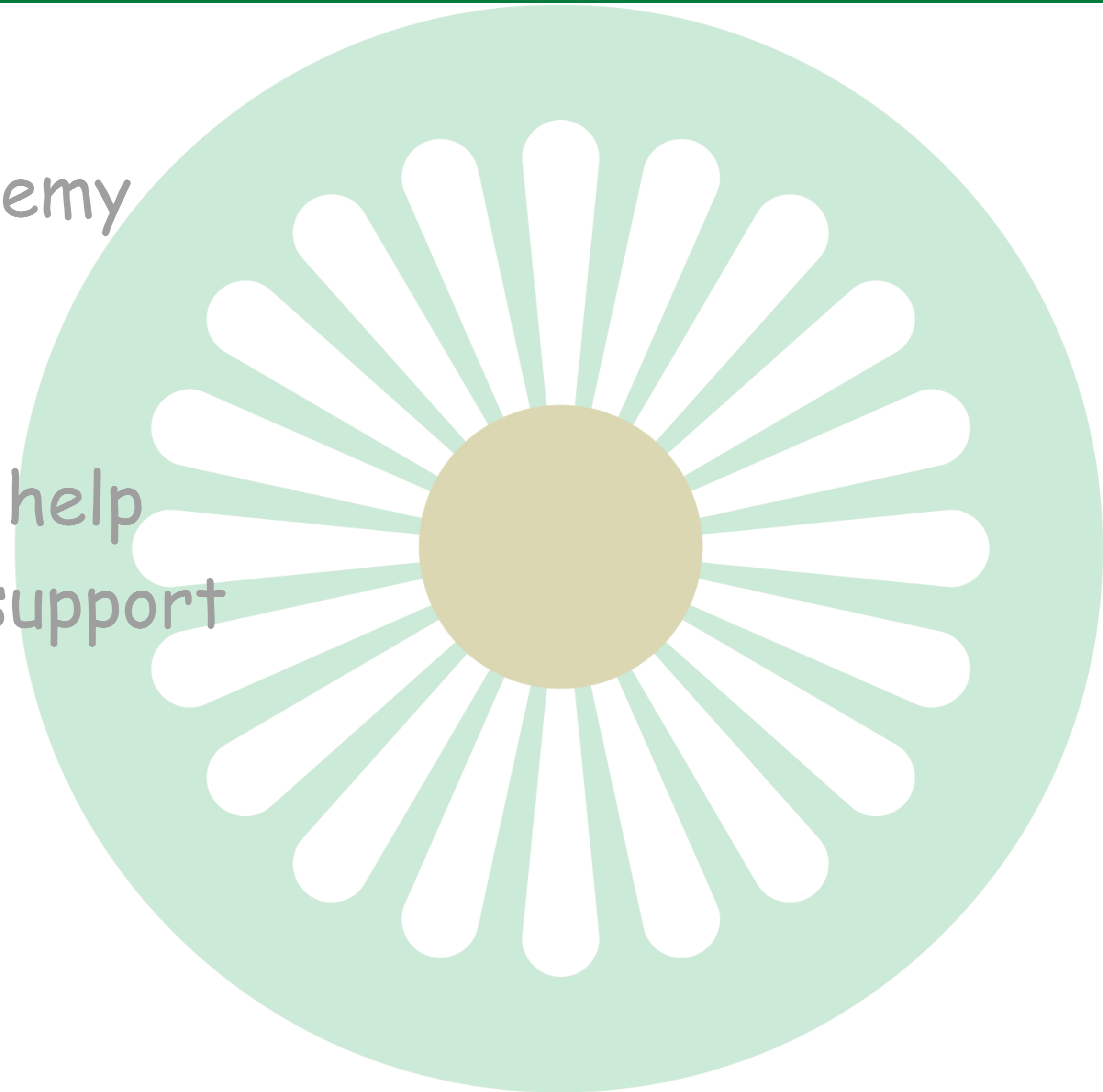
Lionheart Educational Trust

**WELCOME TO  
HIGHCLIFFE**

**EYFS PARENT MEETING 2024/25**



- ◆ Tell you about our school and academy
- ◆ What we do in EYFS
- ◆ Important information
- ◆ School Readiness and how you can help
- ◆ Introduction to wider school and support
- ◆ Induction Process





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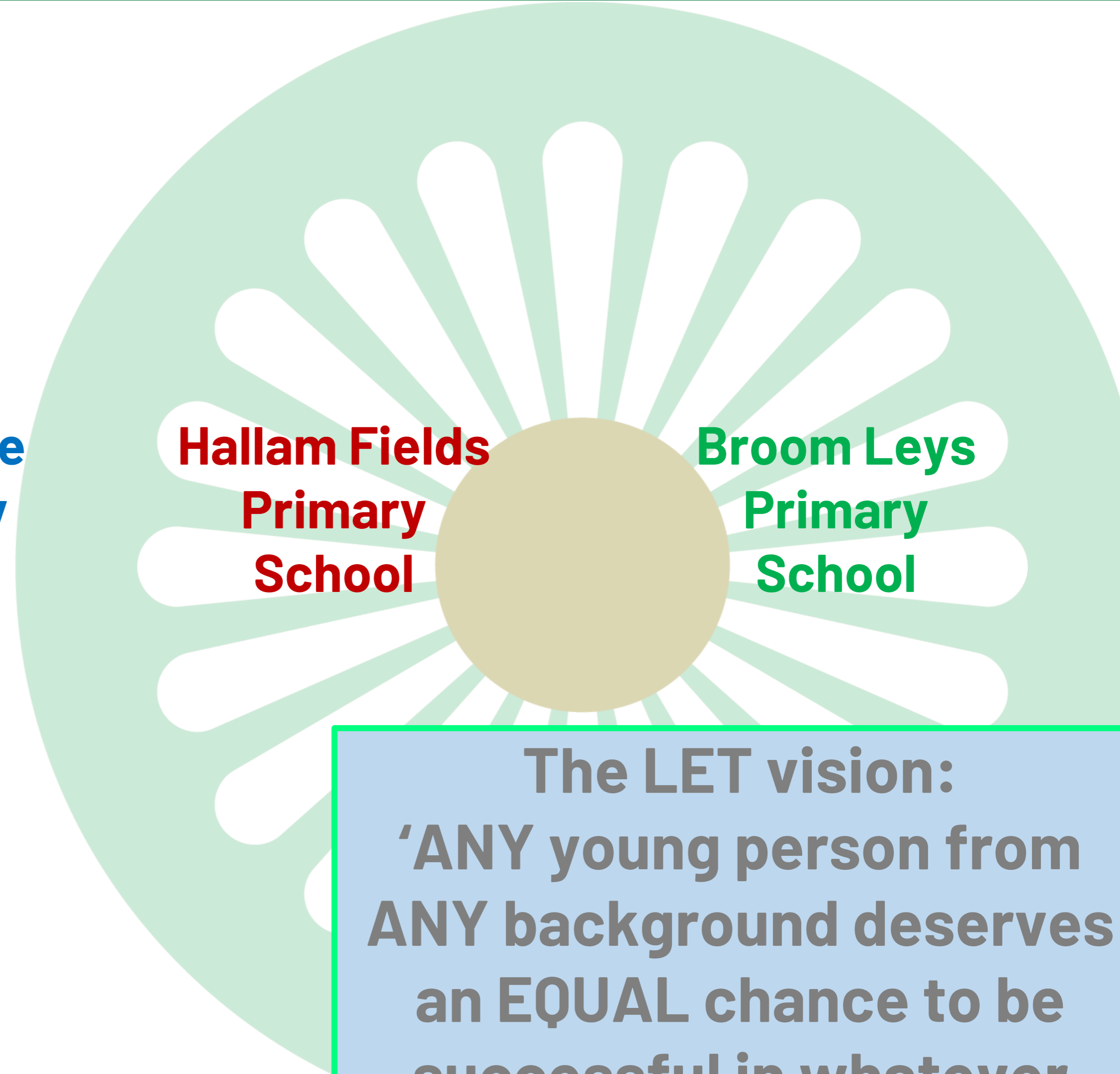
**Highcliffe  
Primary  
School**

**Brocks Hill  
Primary  
School**

**Riverside  
Primary  
School**

**Hallam Fields  
Primary  
School**

**Broom Leys  
Primary  
School**



**The LET vision:  
'ANY young person from  
ANY background deserves  
an EQUAL chance to be  
successful in whatever  
they do'**

**PUPIL CENTRED, POSITIVE AND PROFESSIONAL**

# WHAT IS THE EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE?



**The Early Years Foundation Stage is all about exploration, investigation and enjoying learning through play.**



**We want all children to be show high levels of well being and to be thoroughly involved and engaged in their learning.**



## Characteristics of Effective Learning

### Playing and exploring – engagement

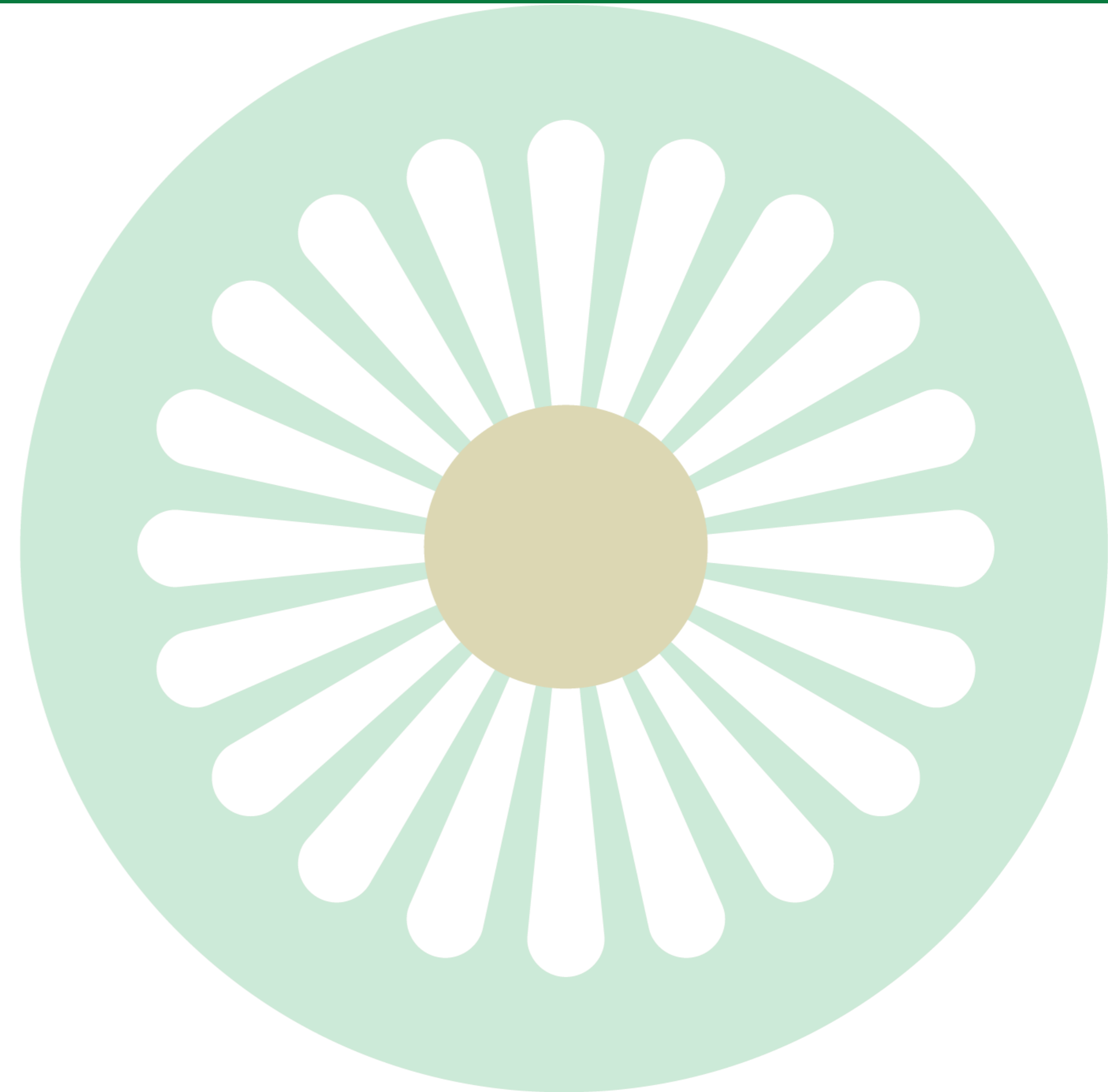
Finding out and exploring  
Playing with what they know  
Being willing to 'have a go'

### Active learning – motivation

Being involved and concentrating  
Keeping trying  
Enjoying achieving what they set out to do

### Creating and thinking critically – thinking

Having their own ideas  
Making links  
Choosing ways to do things





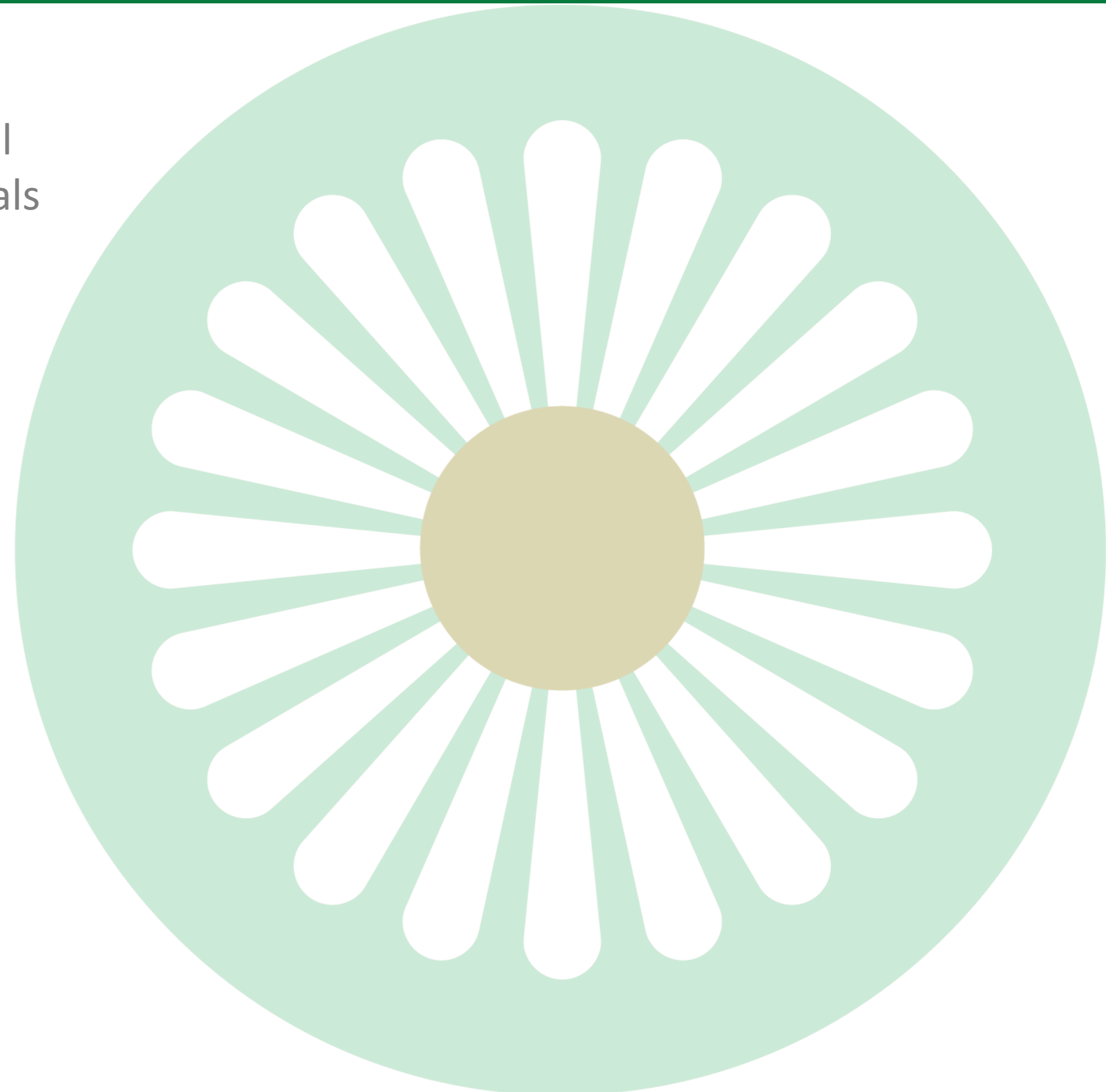
The play based activities that are provided for your child will support the skills they need to achieve the Early Learning Goals in the following areas:

**3 Prime Areas**

Personal, Social and Emotional Development  
Communication and Language  
Physical Development

**4 Specific Areas**

Literacy  
Maths  
Understanding the World  
Expressive Arts and Design





- Reception Baseline Assessment – Statutory at the start of the year
- Ongoing through observation and getting to know your children
- Tapestry
- Early Years Profile – end of year/phase assessment of your child's outcomes in relation to all 17 Early Learning Goals.
- GLD – Good Level of Development



## Responsibility



## Resourcefulness



## Reciprocity



## Respect



## Resilience



## Reflection







We follow the special educational needs code of practice and have all SEN policies on our school website.

We recognise all children are different and reach different milestones at different points.



2 Teachers

2 LSAs

2 classes in an open plan area with access to outdoors

# WHAT IS THE SCHOOL UNIFORM?



## Highcliffe Primary School clothing consists of the following:

- Green jumpers, cardigans or sweatshirts – preferably with the school logo (hoods are not permitted).
- Plain white shirts, polo shirts or blouses.
- Black or grey trousers.
- Black or grey skirts or pinafore dresses.
- Black or dark grey tights.
- Black leggings may be worn under a skirt but are not permitted on their own.
- Black or dark coloured socks.
- Smart black school shoes without sporting logos (trainers, UGG style boots and heeled shoes are not permitted – please avoid laces!)
- In SUMMER the following may be worn:
  - Black or grey knee length shorts
  - Green gingham dresses or culotte dresses.
- Hair accessories should be kept to plain black, green or white headbands, hair bands and clips.





- Children wear their PE kit to school on their PE day (you will find this out in the new academic year)
- PE KIT
  - Black shorts and Green t-shirt.
  - Plain track suit in cold weather.
  - Plimsolls or black trainers.
- Please cover or remove earrings. Religious jewellery should be covered.



# Uniform



- Our uniform is available to order at <https://www.schoolwearsolutions.com>

You can purchase uniform from other shops as long as you adhere to our colour scheme. Jumpers and cardigans **do not** have to have the Highcliffe daisy.

- Please ensure you label EVERYTHING!!!
- Spare clothes just in case 😊



**Universal Free School Meals for all pupils until end of Year 2-** but you could be entitled to Pupil Premium

Specific dietary requirements re: allergies

Packed Lunch

Promote healthy eating, no fizzy drinks or sweets - NUT FREE SCHOOL

**Free fruit every day.**

**Free milk until children turn 5.**

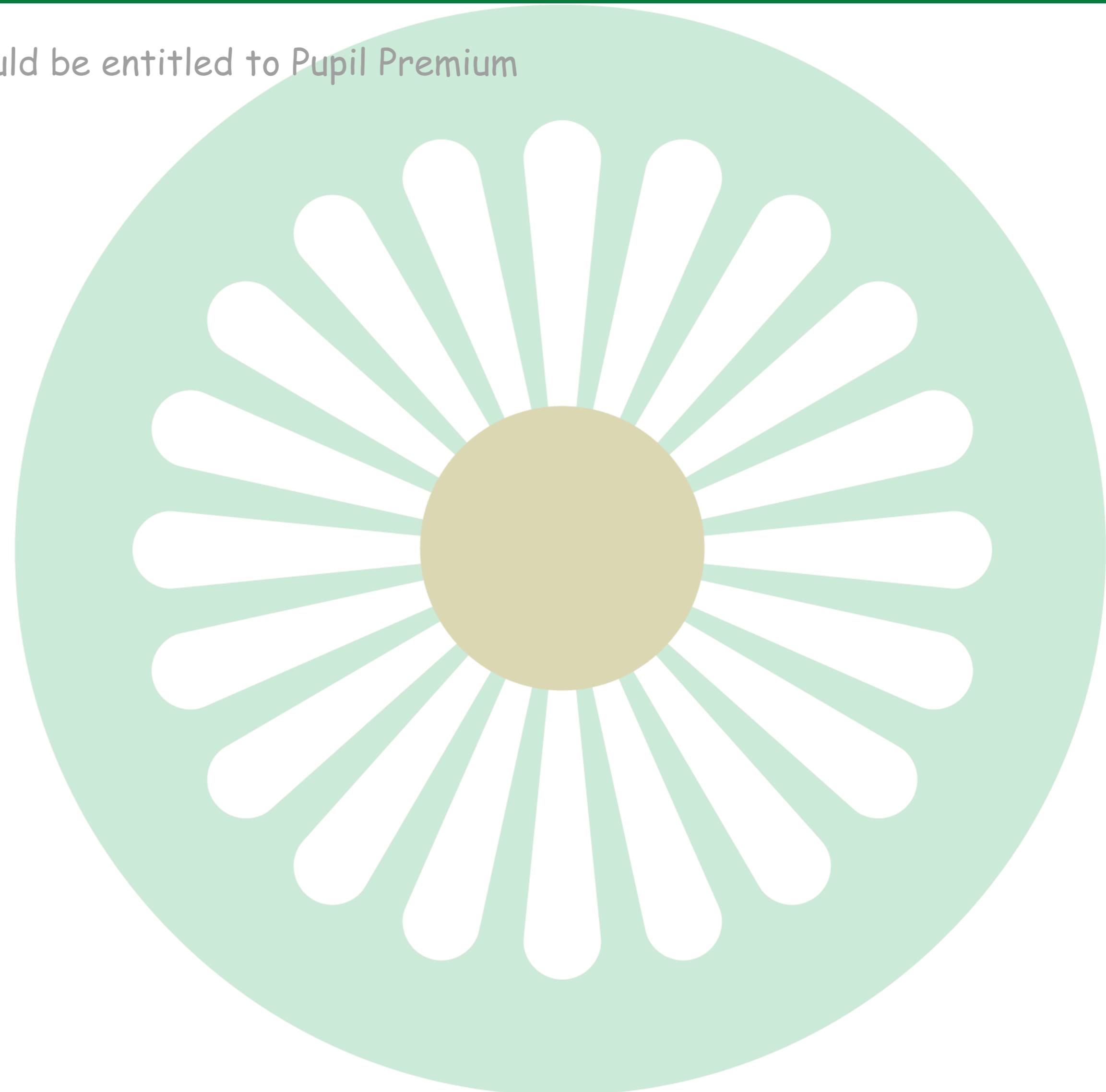
**Water bottles** - please avoid these going into bookbags.

**Book bags** not backpacks

**Spare clothes** in a drawstring bag to stay on their peg

**Reading books** will be sent home from school

**Name everything!**





Your child may be eligible for additional funding!

**Please check our website for more details**





- Any sickness or diarrhoea must be followed by 24 hours absence if it is an isolated occurrence. Multiple occurrences is 48 hours of absence.
- Any absence requires a note or telephone call explaining why.
- Head lice are common! Please check regularly and treat as recommended.
- Any prescribed medicines can only be administered by prior arrangement.



# SCHOOL NURSE



Once your child starts school, the school nurses will take over the care of your child from your health visitor.

Behaviour  
Continence  
Physical Health  
Emotional Health  
Parenting Advice  
Healthy Lifestyles

<https://www.healthforkids.co.uk/>

You can contact the school nurses in a number of different ways. These include our [confidential text messaging service, ChatHealth](#), through your child's school, by finding their contact details through the [school nurse finder](#) on our Health for Kids website or your GP.

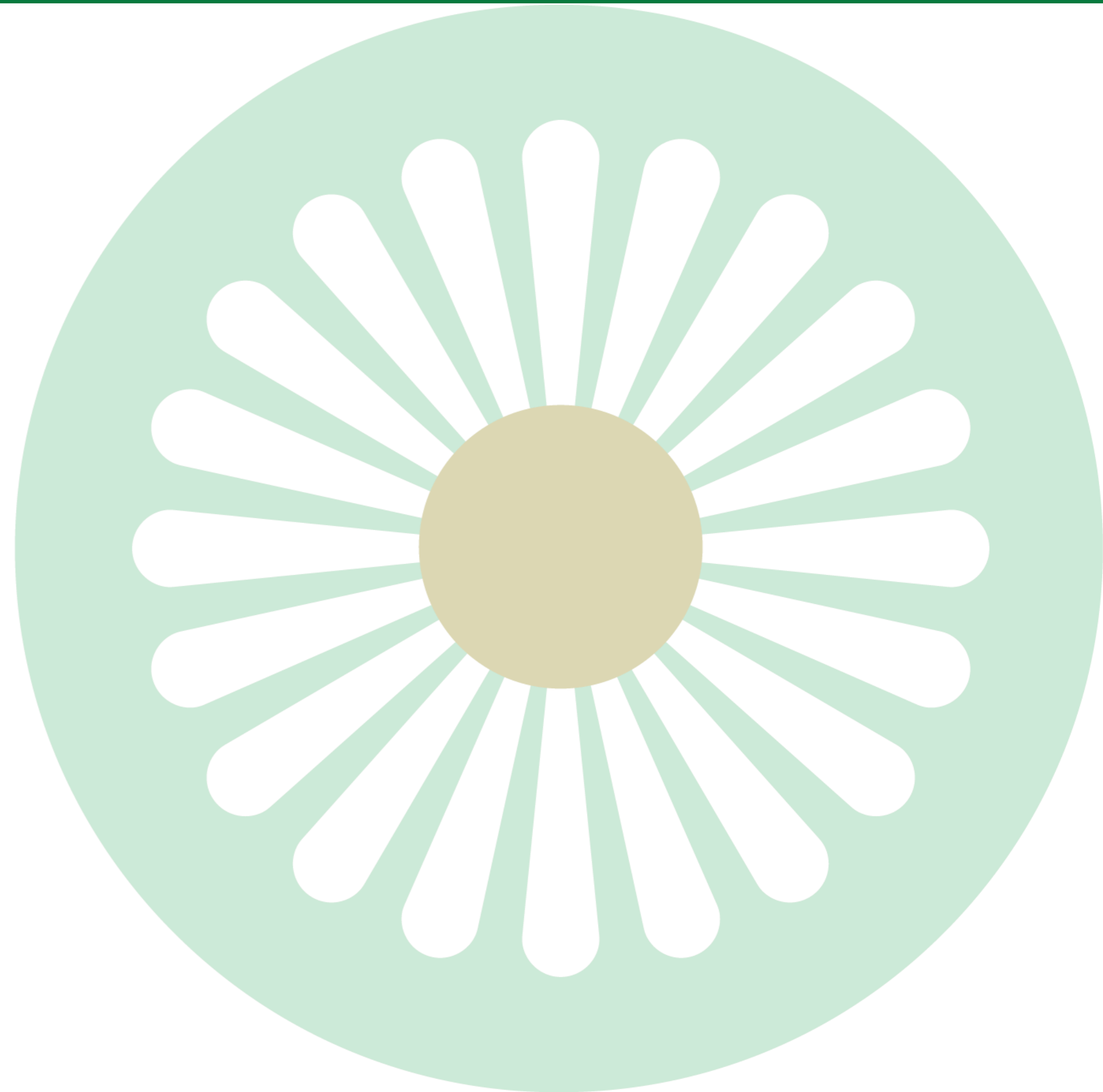
You can also [speak to a health professional through the Healthy Together Helpline](#), by calling **0300 300 3001**.

<https://www.healthforkids.co.uk/leicestershire/introducing-the-school-nursing-team/>

# WRAP AROUND CARE

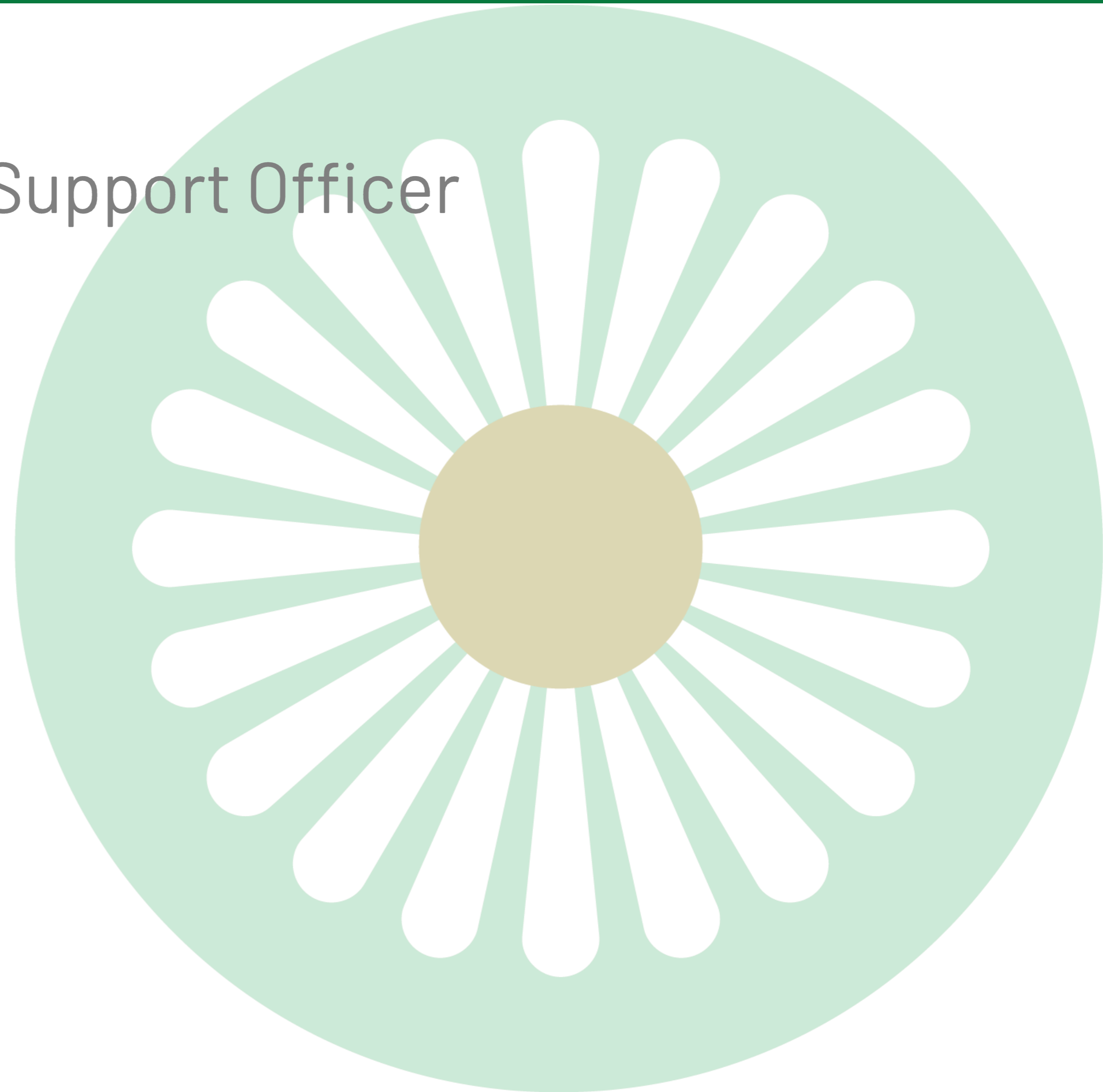


Kickstart/Kickback is the breakfast and afterschool club that is based on the school grounds of Highcliffe Primary School. We provide Breakfast Club from 7.45am and Afterschool Club until 5:30pm (4:30pm on a Friday). We offer a nutritious breakfast from 7.45am until 8.30am and in Afterschool Club a snack which we alternate on a rota to provide a different variety of foods.





- Introducing Mrs Gutteridge – Family Support Officer
- Heather Graham – Family Learning



# PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION



**The PTA is a group of parents and teachers who work together to raise funds in order to provide additional support and enhance the children's educational experience whilst at Highcliffe. We rely totally on voluntary support to help organise and lend a helping hand at the events we organise. These events are not just for the children and parents of the school, but the wider community too, which helps to raise extra funds to be spent directly on our children.**

If you would like to get in touch or get involved, here's how you can reach the PTA:

Email: [highcliffepta@outlook.com](mailto:highcliffepta@outlook.com)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/highcliffepta](http://www.facebook.com/highcliffepta)

PTA Social: <http://service.ptasocial.com/register/highcliffe>

# School Readiness



To help your child become 'school ready' you can help them with these types of activities:

- Practising fastenings on coats and velcro on shoes.
- Practising dressing and undressing with uniform and PE kit.
- Managing toileting routines, flushing, wiping and washing hands.
- Recognising own name when it is written down.
- Making marks and becoming familiar with holding a writing tool.
- Enjoying sharing books and favourite stories.
- Using cutlery
- Pushchairs

Look at ideas in '50 things to do before you start school'



**50 things to try before you start school**

**Playing**

- Lift up a rock
- Make a mud pie
- Blow bubbles
- Have a tea party
- Use scissors
- Roll down a hill
- Complete a tricky puzzle
- Play a board game
- Climb a tree
- Play in the rain
- Make a model
- Bake a cake
- Tell someone about your day
- Give a hug

**Exploring**

- Get yourself dressed
- Go to the toilet by yourself
- Put your shoes on
- Sing a nursery rhyme
- Recognise your name
- Make playdough
- Have a race
- Share
- Play throw and catch
- Build a den
- Look at a cloudy sky
- Make a picture
- Find leaves
- Make a tree rubbing
- Help hang the washing out
- Copy a pattern
- Have fun in the bath
- Play where is teddy
- Do something kind

**Creating**

- Make a healthy snack
- Make a shopping list
- Make a magic potion
- Play shops
- Make a musical instrument
- Go for a walk
- Play Simon says
- Go to the park
- Play eye spy
- Thread beads on a string
- Help set the table
- Help put the shopping away
- Dance to your favourite music
- Use a knife, fork and spoon
- Tidy up
- Share a book
- Make a puppet show

**Learning**

# Useful starting school links:



<https://resources.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/early-years/school-readiness-toolkit>

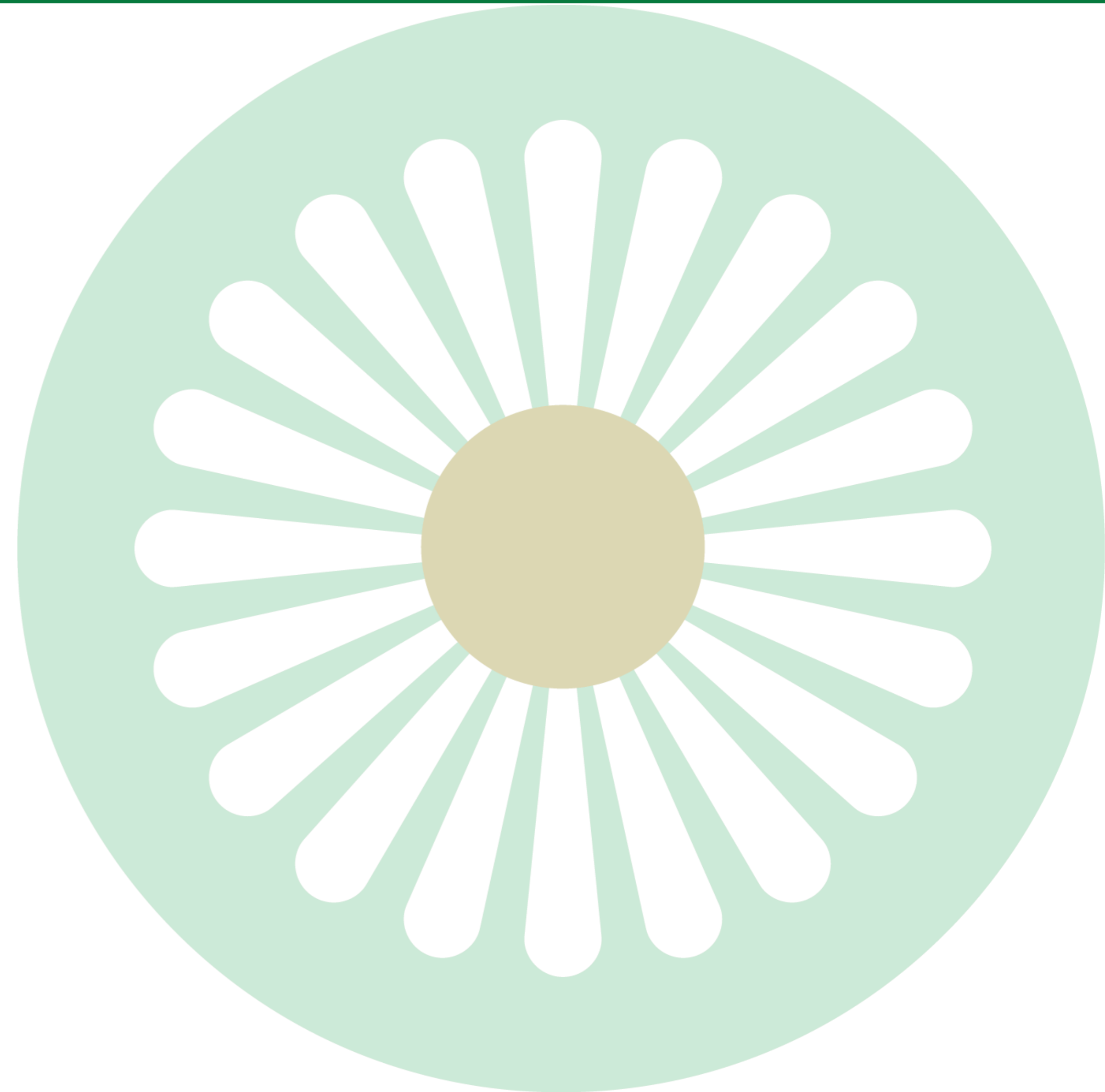
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<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/collections/starting-primary-school/1>



Please don't worry if your child isn't reading or writing yet.

Focus on all of the other getting ready for school things!







We are delighted to inform you that we have booked for the whole school to visit De Montfort Hall to watch the pantomime Snow White.

The trip will take place on 18th December 2024 for EYFS and KS1, for a 10:30am performance. The PTA are heavily subsidising the cost of this trip and we are asking for a contribution of £14 per child towards the cost.

# What happens next?



**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June** —You've been invited to one of the following sessions:

Group A 9:15 – 10:15am Group B 10:30 – 11:30am.

Children will then visit with their class on:

**Class A – Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June 1:30 – 2:30pm**

**Class B - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 1:30 – 2:30pm**

You will find out your child's class teacher after their first visit.

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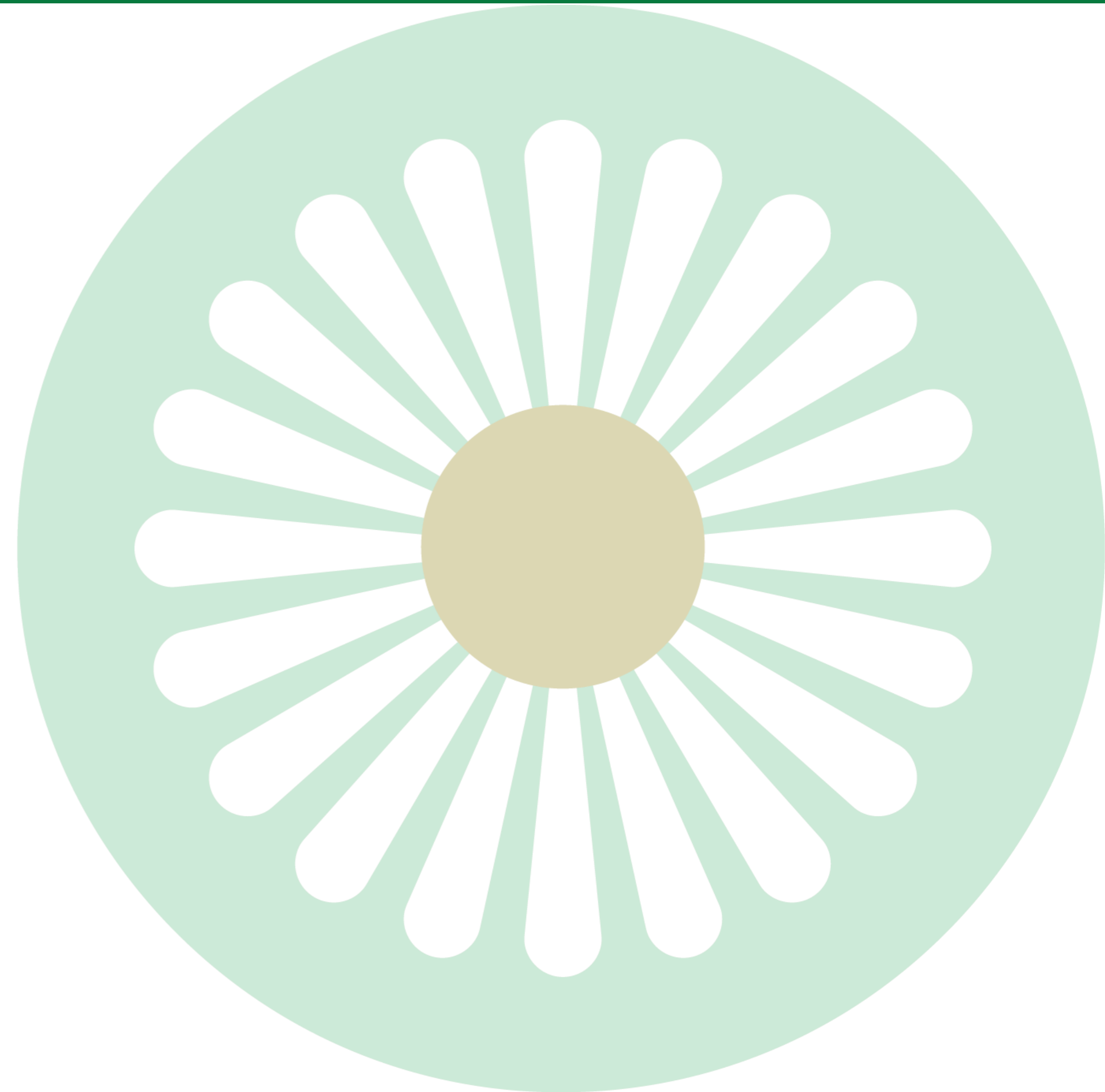
**Between 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August** You and your child will meet 1:1 with your child's class teacher.

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 8:45 – 11:45**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 8:45 – 1:30 (including lunch)**

**From Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September-** All children will commence full time

# ANY QUESTIONS?





Thank you for joining us today.

