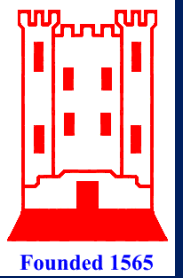


William Gilbert C of E Endowed Primary School and Nursery welcome you to...



Morris – class mouse



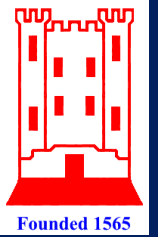
**Miss Whiting – Class
Teacher**



**Miss Day – Class
Teaching Assistant**

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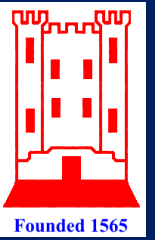


At William Gilbert School we have sourced a class set of cute and cuddly mice from the Derbyshire Parental Engagement Network. The activities we will send home with the mice are designed to support the following areas:

- **Improve emotional wellbeing**, therefore, **improve progress**
- Support and **improve transition**
- Support **home routines**
- The mice act as a 'Transitional Object' to **support separation anxieties from the main carer**
- Support your child in getting **'Ready for School'**



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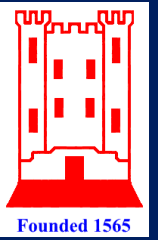
The 10 keys for unlocking school readiness*

The 10 keys have been identified by Derbyshire parents, carers and professionals. These will help everyone understand what children developing typically for their age should be able to do by the time they start in reception class.

- I can settle happily without my parent or carer
- I can tell grown-ups and friends what I need
- I can take turns to play and share when I'm playing
- I can go to the toilet on my own and wash my hands
- I can put on my own coat and shoes and feed myself
- I can tell a grown-up if I'm happy, sad or cross
- I know that what I do and say can make others happy or unhappy
- I am curious and want to learn and play
- I can stop doing what I'm doing, listen and follow simple instructions
- I enjoy sharing books with grown-ups



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Mouse can help with home time routines such as...



Bedtimes



**Brushing
Teeth**

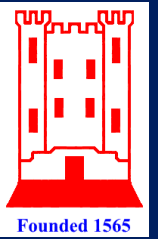
**Reading
Stories**



**Making
Healthy
Choices**



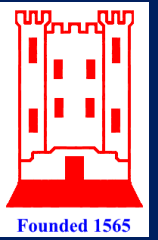
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Your child can have lots of fun with mouse before they come to school. These activity sheets will be in the resources pack that are sent home during the summer term. The activities are a super way to get your child ready for school. If you wish you can photograph the activities, print them out and add them to your child's mouse booklet ready to share with us in September.



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Each mouse will be gifted to your child on their first transition visit to school.

Your child can then name their mouse and start to complete some of the activities that are within the resources pack.

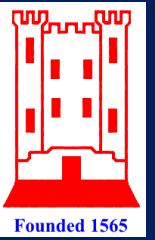
When your child starts school in September, they may bring their mouse to school, and they will live in their special Mouse house in the classroom.

This will be a shoe rack where the children each have a photograph in a pocket for their mouse to live.



Ball over image to zoom in

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Once your child has settled into school, they may not feel that they need to bring Mouse every day.

There may be times when they need Mouse more than others. This is fine and will be child led.

If a child is seeking comfort from Mouse more frequently then this may indicate that they are anxious about something, and we can find ways to help them overcome their worry.

During the year we will also have lots of fun with our mice and use them as a stimulus for talk and in time writing.

