

William has benefitted from a supportive, play-based learning environment at Ledbury Primary School

Kate lives locally with her two children: William, who is currently in Year 1, and Isabelle, who will start Reception at Ledbury Primary School in September 2024.

A fresh start

William moved to Ledbury Primary School in February after initially starting Reception at a different school. Kate shares: "William settled into school life at Ledbury very well. He used to be at a different school, but I moved him just before the February half term because the previous school was quite an intense setting. I believe boys sometimes learn differently from girls, and William definitely learns more through play."

The supportive environment at Ledbury helped William adapt quickly. "We did a taster day on the Tuesday before half term, and he never went back to the other school. His Reception teacher was amazing. He can sometimes be a sensitive little thing who needs extra support, and she was so welcoming to him. She was really accommodating and used a visual timetable to help him know where he was in the day. She couldn't have done more to help him settle into school. He felt much more comfortable and happier from the very first week," explains Kate.

Enjoying play-based learning

William enjoys learning through play, and the new playground at Ledbury has been a highlight for him. "Playtime is a big one for William. He loves the new playground area with water tubes and a digging pit," says Kate. The Reception area at Ledbury is very similar to nursery, which William loved. "The playground is fantastic. It's just for Reception children and is a wonderful space for them. He often talks about the games he plays with his friends there"



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