Welcome to our Nursery 2020-2021







Session Times

Our Nursery offers 5 sessions a week, either morning or afternoons;

Morning session collection window 11.30-11.45am) 8.45am — 11.45am (drop-off window 8.45-9.00am and

Afternoon session

collection window 13.15-3.30pm)

12.30pm-3.30pm (drop-off window 12.30-12.45pm and

From Home to School

We hope that you and your child will be very happy here in nursery and we look forward to forming a close partnership with you.

We pride ourselves on our close relationship with our parents/carers.

We are available to talk to every day during drop off and pick up times.



Building relationships

If there is anything worrying your child, at home or at nursery, come and discuss it with us.

Anything you tell us will be strictly confidential and never feel that some things are too small to mention.



Starting Nursery



Starting nursery is often a new experience for you and your child. We will try to make this as easy as possible for everyone.

Before starting Nursery we always invite you and your child to come and have a play in Nursery together, to enable your child to become familiar with the environment and meet the staff. Due to the Covid-19 situation we are unable to offer the Stay and Play sessions in June but these will take place in September instead before your child's official Nursery start date. We will give you more information in the near future about signing up for a September Stay and Play session.

The children will then start nursery in small groups from the second week in September. We will send you a letter with your child's start dates and times on. They stay for a short time at first and this is then extended until they are able to stay for the whole session.

The Nursery Environment

Nursery is bright and inviting, filled with exciting areas and activities for the children to explore.

We encourage children to become curious and independent learners.

Across the nursery year the amount of time that children can stay engaged and involved in their learning increases.



Uniform

We ask that parents follow our uniform policy and dress children attending nursery in a white polo shirt / T shirt and a red jumper or fleece (either with school logo or plain red) and leggings or jogging bottoms.

We also ask that your child has a suitable outdoor coat. This coat will get muddy, dirty, paint splashed etc! We recommend the red school coats as these are both warm and waterproof and can easily be put in the washing machine. Your child also needs a pair of wellies that can be kept at nursery.

Please ensure all items are named.





Sandshoe Bags

We ask that all children have a <u>named</u> sandshoe bag containing a full change of clothes and a pair of Velcro sandshoes.



Our Links with You

There is a notice board in the nursery corridor which we use for communication between nursery and home.

Parents are kept informed of events either through this, the school website, e-mail, text message and letters sent home.



Snack Time

The children have a snack during each session and can have either milk or water to drink.



If you would like your child to have milk then please sign up on the Cool Milk website.

www.coolmilk.com



30 Hour Offer

We offer these additional hours in partnership with our wraparound provider, School's Out Northern

If you qualify for the 30 hour funding offer and would like to apply for this you can do it now. You must have applied by the end of the Summer Term if you would like to access this funding from September

Deadline for validation – 14th August 2020. Jan at Schools out Northern will need your paperwork by 14th August 2020 as without this validation in place unable to take up offer of extra 15 hours until January

If you miss this date then you will not be eligible for the funding until January 2021. For more information please visit

https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/

http://sonltd.co.uk/contact



Passport Photographs and Birth Certificates

Children will need FOUR passport size photographs for self registration. Please drop these into school before the summer holidays. If you are unable to do this then please bring them to the Stay and Play session in September.

Safety

As you will appreciate, we are very conscious of the children's safety, so please inform us if someone other than whom we are expecting is collecting your child. It also helps if you can introduce us to childminders, grandparents etc., before they begin to pick up the children.

Bath, Book, Bed – The Book Trust





We know that sleep is a number one concern for new (and not so new) families. Bath, Book, Bed is a tried and trusted way of ensuring that your little ones establish a great sleep routine - and that means you can get some rest yourself.

It's why i've teamed up with BookTrust on their Bath, Book, Bed campaign.

For more tips and ideas, visit 🕎 booktrust.org.uk/bathbookbed

Don't forget to share your tips and ideas too!







Routine

Routine is the framework of a family's day. Some people like to manage it by the minute and others are more flexible. Children thrive on structure to their day. It fosters stability, creativity and consistency because when they know what's going on in their day, it helps them to feel like they are a part of it.

Having the same bedtime routine every night helps signal to children that it's time to wind down, time to relax. Sending a child to bed when they're excited and hyper is never going to go well!

Simple routines make life easier for your baby, toddler or child. The repetition gives them a sense of knowing which will always make them feel safe as they are getting ready for bed.

> It's time for Bath, Book, Bed.



All Early Years staff are here to support the children and yourselves to ensure that the start to nursery is as smooth as possible. If you have any concerns or problems please do not hesitate to speak to us. We look forward to working together over the coming year.

