



September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Nursery class! I hope that you have enjoyed the first week of term, we have really enjoyed meeting you and your children. The children are beginning to settle in well and they have already shown a good understanding of the Nursery routines.

The Nursery Staff are as follows –

Mrs Berry - Teacher
Mrs Burke-Adams - Early Years Practitioner
Mrs Reynolds - Early Years Practitioner
Mrs Khanom - Teaching Assistant (mornings & lunch club)

Drop Off Time

Please bring your child to the Nursery door at drop off time where you can say goodbye. If you feel your child needs further support to settle, an adult will be there to ensure your child is comforted and reassured.

In the morning I will be at the door for you to relay any messages, for example changes to your child's routine such as a grandparent collecting rather than yourself. For the safety of your children, if you have not told us of any changes, we will not let your child go home until we have spoken to you. If you do know you are going to be late and have to make last minute pick up changes please call the School Office. In addition, please relay to us any other information you think is important that could impact your child's morning, for example if they have had a late night or didn't want their breakfast.

Attendance

We will lock the Nursery gate at 8:50. If you arrive after this time you will need to bring your child to the main school office. Please can you telephone the school office if your child is going to be absent from school due to illnesses or appointments, unless you have already informed the Nursery staff.

Hydration & snack

Please send in a named water bottle that your child can confidently use. We can replenish the bottles throughout the day. If your child does not have a bottle one day, please do not worry as we have cups. The children are also offered milk as part of their snack, this will be offered in addition to water. We are currently running a social snack session as part of their morning, this is where your child is able to choose a piece of fruit and sit with the adults and their peers and have valuable conversations about their topics of interest.

Lunches

If your child is staying for lunch club (30hr children only) please do support them in making their food choice and then ensure they put their choice on the correct coloured square. Payment for lunches is done via our school app, Arbor, where you can pay online for the lunches.

Red - meat option
Green - vegetarian option
Yellow - jacket potato
Purple - packed lunch

A copy of the school menu is available on the school website and a copy is on the lunch board in the morning.

Collection time

11:30am, 2:30pm & 3:30pm

Please wait at the pavement gate leading into the Nursery garden, when the gate is open you can come onto the Nursery playground and we will match the children to you. Please be patient as the children come out and collect their things as we want all of the children to leave in a safe and calm manner.

Please collect your child promptly to avoid your child getting upset and to enable the staff to continue with or set up for the next session. Thank you.

Our Learning

We are so excited about the learning adventure ahead of us. This term our theme is All About Me and My Environment. This theme lends itself well to our child-centred approach to learning, where the children develop their skills and knowledge through exploring topics of their choice. Our theme will be explored through the teaching of the 7 key areas of learning (please see our school website for more information). We will be encouraging children to talk about their homes, families and interests and listen to their peers. As part of our learning we would like each child to send in a photo of their family and bring in a copy of their favourite story to share with the rest of the class.

Clothing

We love to explore the outdoors and spend a lot of our active learning time outside in all weathers. So please dress your child appropriately for all weather conditions with a warm, waterproof coat. Please ensure that your child's clothes are named, to avoid any mix ups and that they have a full change of clothes, including undergarments and socks. Please leave this change of clothes on your child's peg. We also ask that, if relevant for your child, that you include pull ups, wipes and nappy sacks. Please can you also ensure your child has a pair of named welly boots for when we go on our Welly Walk adventures!

Things from home

Sometimes children want to bring in their own toys. We ask kindly that you do not allow your child to bring them into the Nursery. If your child would like to bring a toy for the journey to school we will ask you kindly to take it back with you when you say goodbye. By doing this we can ensure that none of your children's precious things become lost or broken. Thank you for your support with this.

PE

PE will be on Tuesdays (Physical Education session). This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to explore the School Hall and get active. We ask that you dress your child in clothing that allows them to move freely, for example leggings & a long-sleeved t-shirt. During this session we all take off our socks and shoes. To enable your child to independently do this we ask that children wear shoes that they can easily remove and put back on. **No lace ups or tights please.**

Children's birthdays

We like to celebrate each child's birthday. As part of this celebration you are more than welcome to bring in small treats for the class, although there is no need to do this unless you would like to. We ask that these are not home-made as we need to consider the allergies and other dietary requirements within the class. Something like a small packet of chocolate buttons or raisins would be ideal. Thank you.

Contributions

For craft and cooking money this term, we are asking for a **voluntary contribution of £6**. Please return this in the envelope provided.

Please could you also contribute a box of tissues for all of the sniffles we are bound to get during the colder months.

We are also on the lookout for the following items:

Ribbons

Buttons

Small boxes (cosmetic, perfume, facial cream)

Fabric scraps

Pine cones

Paper towel rolls

Corks

Straws

Metal trays

Baskets

Camp School Parent Association

Camp School has a wonderful, active Parent Association group that does a fantastic job of raising money for our school. Please see the school website to find out more. Each class has a parent representative. If you are interested in becoming our Nursery Parent representative, please email Miranda Hardern at the following address.

camppa@gmail.com

School dates

Half-term 24th October to 28th October Inset Day 31st
October

Children will return to school on Tuesday 1st November.

Please see our school website for additional school dates and events.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Berry and the Nursery Team.