



Nursery new starter information

We Learn, We Grow, We Shine





Nursery Staff



Mrs Owens
Nursery Teacher

Mrs Taylor
Teaching Assistant





Session times

Morning Nursery: 8:45 – 11:45am

Afternoon Nursery: 12:30 – 3:30pm

(Doors open at 3:20pm)

Please keep staff informed if there are any changes regarding the collection of your child.

For the safety of your children we operate a password system in which a unique password will be allocated to your child. If at any time somebody we do not recognise comes to collect your child, they will be asked to provide your unique password. These will be given out in September.



Our Nursery day

- Wake up, shake up/starter activity
- Registration
- Phonics
- Independent learning/adult led activities/outdoor play
- Maths
- Milk & snack
- Independent learning/adult led activities/outdoor play
- Story time/topic work/nursery rhymes/singing





Curriculum

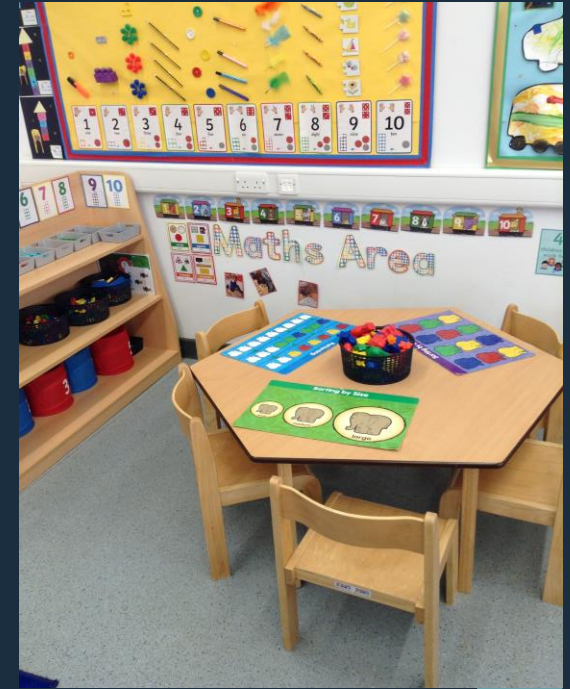
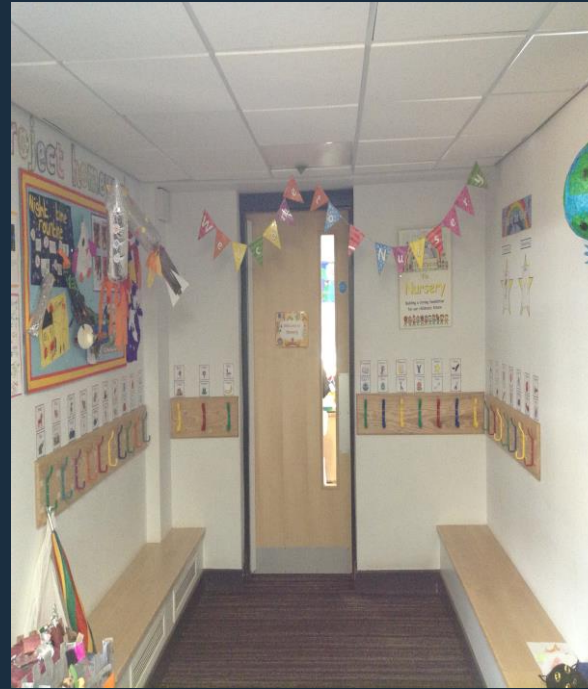
7 areas:

- Personal, Social, Emotional Development
- Communication and Language
- Physical
- Literacy
- Maths
- Understanding the world
- Expressive arts and design

These areas are not taught in isolation and are delivered through planned, purposeful play with a balance of adult-led and child-initiated activities, which take place indoors and outdoors. We plan using a play based curriculum linked to Cornerstones topics in line with the rest of school.



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Observations and assessment

We regularly observe children as they work independently.

We gain a clear understanding of how the children are applying skills in their independent learning. They also help inform next steps in their learning.

Observations can be shared with parents at our parent consultation evenings and Stay & Play sessions.

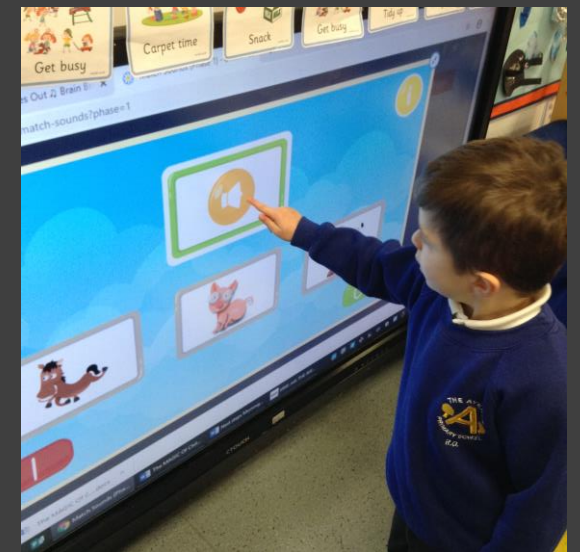


Phonics

Once the children have settled into Nursery, and when we feel they are ready, we will begin our scheme to teach the hearing and recognition of sounds.

This will provide the foundations of early reading and covers:

- Environmental sounds
- Alliteration
- Rhyme
- Body sounds
- Oral segmenting and blending
- Hearing initial sounds in words
- Recognition of letters





Writing

In Nursery we provide lots of opportunities for the children to mark-make independently and practice their writing skills.

We encourage the development of fine motor skills through a range of activities such as rolling playdough and threading. These activities improve the muscles to allow children to hold a pencil correctly.

Once secure, we can then work towards letter formation, encouraging the children to begin writing letters in their name.



Reading

Encouraging children to have a love of reading is very important in the Foundation Stage.

We share stories every day, through Literacy based activities, reading stories together during independent learning or sharing a story at the end of the session.

We also have our own class library where children are encouraged to choose a book to share at home together. Their home reading is rewarded with certificates.



Maths

In Nursery children will experience number through a range of activities including counting objects, matching and sorting games and songs.



We will initially work on rote and touch counting, sorting and comparing groups of objects, then move on to recognising numerals and some 2D shapes.





Marvellous Me

Marvellous Me is a fantastic app for parents/school communication. We send regular updates on your child's achievements and inform you of their current learning. This is also a great opportunity to share your child's 'wow' moments and keep you up to date with latest news and information about school.



Stay & Play

Throughout the school year we hold 'Stay & Play' sessions where you are invited to come along and work with your child in Nursery. This gives you the opportunity to see how your child is developing as well as ask staff any questions you may have.



Project Homework

Each half term a list of homework ideas will be sent home. These will be based on the current topic being taught and will include a range of Literacy, Maths and creative ideas.

Make & Bake

To help with our craft making and weekly cooking activities, we ask for a voluntary contribution of 50p per week.



Uniform

The school uniform policy states that children should wear; blue sweatshirts and cardigans; white polo shirts; black/grey trousers/skirts/dresses; black shoes.

Blue and white gingham dresses can be worn during the summer.

Please label all items of clothing and shoes.

Our uniform provider is 'Lollipops' at Berwick Hills. Prices can be found in your Early Years Foundation Stage Prospectus. Nursery do not require a P.E. kit. Please send a pair of wellies into Nursery for outdoors.



Contact details

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Preparing your child

Over the summer you can prepare your child by talking to them about starting Nursery, read stories together and sing familiar nursery rhymes.

Encourage your child to be independent, such as encouraging them to put on their own coat /shoes and wash their own hands.

If your child is not yet toilet trained, we can work with you to establish a toileting routine which will work at home and at school. If this applies please ensure you provide a bag of spare clothes/underwear.



In September....

On your child's first visit to Nursery in September we will ask you to complete some forms about your child e.g. medical / dietary information.

There will be a chance for you to speak to the Nursery staff about your child if there are any specific details you feel they need to know, so please don't worry over the summer.



Parkway Day Nursery



Parkway Day Nursery offer breakfast and after school club to children at The Avenue Primary School. We work closely with the Parkway staff to ensure learning and care is consistent in all areas. If you qualify for the 30 hours funding, your child can access both school Nursery and Parkway Nursery provision. Parkway also access school lunch provision.

If you would like information about Parkway Day Nursery please contact Kirsty Richardson on theavenueparkwaydaynursery@outlook.com