

Sedbergh Primary Nursery Booklet



September 2021

Welcome to Nursery

We cannot wait to welcome your child into our class in September. We also look forward to working in partnership with you to ensure the best outcomes for your child. In the following pages you will find all relevant information relating to our nursery class.

Nursery staff



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Nursery Teacher



Lisa White
EYFS HLTA

Session Times

Monday – Friday 8.50 – 11.50 am 12.00 – 3.30pm

You will be reminded of term dates and holidays by letter once the Autumn term has started.

We are always available and welcome the opportunity to discuss any worries you may have as soon as possible, preferably after sessions, as time before each session is necessary to prepare the day's activities.

Funding

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Currently each child aged three is entitled to 15 hours of learning in our setting. However, some children are now entitled to 30 hours. If you are unsure how many hours you are entitled to, please check the Childcare Choices website for further information (https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/). At Sedbergh Primary School, we aim to be flexible and therefore offer extra sessions which may be paid for over the week, including lunch sessions. The cost for each additional three-hour session is £12 and each lunch session is £2. Extra sessions are payable per half term or by instalments.

On Arrival

Your child will enter through the Infant door on the bottom playground. Please ensure your child brings a labelled water bottle/snack/lunch box and put it on the snack trolley outside the infant door. Please put book bags into the designated box. Your child will have their own allocated peg where they can hang their coats when entering the classroom.

End of Session

A member of staff will assist your child in getting ready for home. They will then wait with a member of staff in the infant foyer until we see you arrive. Your child will then be sent to you through the infant door. We will not send your child out until we have seen you. It is important that you let us know at the start of your child's session if someone else will be collecting them

Important Days

- Tuesday PE sessions will take place on this day, therefore please make sure your child comes in comfortable clothes.
- Wednesday We take part in forest school activities on our school field and in the wild garden. Please provide wellies and waterproofs that can be kept in school at all times.

A Typical Day in Nursery

Please find below an example of a typical day in Nursery; this can be subject to change subject to children's interests, needs and when special events occur. During the first few weeks of term our focus is very much on ensuring the children settle well and are happy.

- 8.50am 9am: Settle in/Register
- 9am 9.20am: Letters and Sounds
- 9.20am 10.15am: Group time/Continuous Provision
- 10.15am 10.30am: Dough Disco
- 10.30am 10.45am: Snack Time
- 10.45am 11.30am Group time/Continuous Provision
- 11.30am-11.45am: Tidy up time/Story
- 11.50am 12.00: Morning Session finishes/Afternoon Session Starts
- 12.00 1pm: Lunch
- 1.10 3.00pm: Adult led activity/Continuous Provision
- 3.00pm 3.15pm: Story Time
- 3.15pm 3.30pm: Getting ready for home time.

Please note, Mrs. Stephenson runs the Nursery class Monday-Thursday assisted by Mrs. White. If your child attends on Fridays, then they will be part of the Reception class which is run by our EYFS lead – Mrs. Jones, assisted by Miss Brewer.

Curriculum

Our EYFS class follows the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) curriculum, which is called Development Matters and is split into 7 areas.

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- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Physical Development
- Communication and Language

Specific

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Designs

Your child will access these areas through our play based provision in which we plan challenging and stimulating activities for your child. We will enhance the environment by providing a wide range of resources inside and out and work with your child in their independent play through questioning and supporting their learning. Throughout the week, your child will also experience teacher led activities which are in small groups or as a whole class.

Curriculum topics include:

Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic	Getting to	Celebrations	Winter	Once Upon	Growth and	Eric Carle
	Know Me			A Time	Change	
						Summer
	Autumn					
Sub-	My family	Halloween	New Year	Traditional	Easter	Focus on Eric
Topics	and Me!			Tales		Carle Books
		Bonfire Night	Frozen		Jack and the	
	Nursery				Beanstalk	Holidays
	Rhymes	Diwali	Julia			
	linked to		Donaldson		The Tiny	
	Autumn	Birthdays			Seed	
			Chinese			
		Christmas	New Year			

Letters and Sounds

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Your child will also learn through the phonic programme that we implement in school called 'Letters and Sounds'. This will be a daily twenty-minute session which is split between classes, from Nursery to Year 2. We will inform you over the year of the work your child is doing and how you can help at home.

Key Person

When your child has been allocated a nursery place, they will also be allocated a key person who will work closely with you and your child during the transition between home and nursery. Your key person could be your first point of call to share information about your child and will continue to liaise with you and your child during your time with us.

Your child's key person will be responsible for monitoring your child's development and progress through observations, photographs and keeping examples of their creativity.



We use Class Dojo as a way of being able to share pictures and work by your children and you can also share experiences that happen outside of nursery on there too! More information will be sent about Class Dojo at the beginning of the school year.

Absences

If your child is unwell, please call the school office before the start of their session to advise us of this. We need to be informed of any infectious illness A.S.A.P. so that we can inform parents/carers. We advise you to put school's telephone number (015395 20510) in your mobile in case you need to contact Mrs. Scarr in the office to inform us of any absences.

Following a bout of sickness or diarrhoea, your child must stay at home for a full 48 hours after the last episode.

Should your child become ill in Nursery, we will try and contact you as soon as

possible so that they can be collected. Please help us to keep contact numbers up-to-date.

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Accidents and Care

All accidents requiring treatment are recorded in our accident book. Whoever picks up your child will be asked to sign this book to confirm they have been informed of what has happened. If in our opinion a child requires medical treatment, we will contact you immediately.

During their time at Sedbergh Nursery your child may need intimate care. Staff that provide intimate care to children have a high awareness of child protection issues. This can be when cleaning up a child after they have soiled themselves, helping them to change clothes when wet or changing nappies for those children who are not yet toilet trained. Sedbergh Nursery is committed to ensuring that all staff responsible for the intimate care of children will undertake their duties in a professional manner at all times. The team recognise that there is a need to treat all children with respect when intimate care is given and no child should be attended to in a way that causes distress or pain.

Clothing

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Please dress your child in comfortable clothes that are easy to manage so that your child can learn to be independent. Young children need to wear clothing that enables them to go to the toilet easily and independently so dungarees, belts, braces, lace up shoes and tight fitting clothes are inappropriate.

At the start of each year please could we have a spare, named, change of clothes in a named bag. These will be kept on their named peg in the toilet cloakroom area and should stay at nursery. Aprons are provided to protect the children's clothes when necessary, but we ask that children come to school in washable, practical clothes. We do have spare clothes available in case of accidents and would appreciate that these are washed and returned promptly.

On most days children need to have warm clothes to wear outside. When it is sunny we advise that children wear clothing that protects them, as well as a sun hat and sun block that you put on at home.

ALL CLOTHING SHOULD BE CLEARLY LABELLED especially coats and boots. We also recommend that children do not come to school wearing long skirts or flip-flop type footwear as these can be dangerous when climbing in the garden.

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P.E. takes place on a Tuesday. We would ask you to <u>please</u> make sure your child comes to nursery wearing clothing and shoes that are appropriate for the lesson. If we are in the hall, we may need to take our shoes off, therefore, please avoid sending your child in shoes with laces, tights and difficult fastenings we would be grateful. Also earrings cannot be worn; these will need to be removed or taped up.

Snack Time

Every morning we will come together and have snack time as a group. Your child will be provided with a piece of fresh fruit and a drink of milk. There is no charge for these. Please make us aware of any allergies a.s.a.p. and complete the medical information sheet that is sent home at the start of the year. We also say that children can bring a healthy snack for the mid-afternoon e.g. snack bar/ fruit. This can be kept on the snack trolley.

Toys from Home

Occasionally children like to bring a toy from home to show other children or an adult in the Nursery, or just for security. During the settling period we allow the children to do so. However, once children have settled in their new environment we try to discourage this as treasures can easily be lost or misplaced which can be very upsetting.

Book Swap

Shared reading books – your child will have the opportunity to bring home a book for you to share together each week. We change books on Monday only and books should be retuned the following Monday. We will provide your child with a wallet to put their book in when they start with us.

Finally, our partnership

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Communication with Parents and Carers is very important to us at Sedbergh Primary School and Nursery. This partnership between school and home develops and continues throughout your child's stay at Nursery. Your main point of contact within the school will be your child's key person. Please come in and talk to your child's key person if you have any worries or concerns – sometimes a chat is all that is needed to set your mind at rest.

Throughout your child's stay at Nursery we will provide more formal opportunities for you to discuss your child. Opportunities will be provided for you to meet your key person throughout your child's time at Nursery, to celebrate your child's achievements and share any worries or concerns.

Class information will be shared on Class Dojo, our EYFS Facebook Page and our Nursery class page on the Sedbergh Primary School website.

Communication is a two-way process, so if there is anything you would like to know, please ask.

Mrs. Stephenson and Mrs. White

