

# Sedbergh Primary Nursery Booklet







September 2023

# **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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Miss Georgia Chapman Teacher Mrs Lisa White EYFS HLTA 

# **Session Times**

Monday – Friday 8.50 – 11.50 am 1.00pm – 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.

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#### **Funding**

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 extra hour is £4. 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 Nursery trolley outside the infant door. Please put book bags into the designated box. Each child will have an 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. The children will then wait with a member of staff in the classroom 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.

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# **A Typical Day in Nursery**

Please find below an example of a typical day in Nursery; this can be subject to change allowing for 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 9.00am: Settle in/Register
- 9.00am 9.20am: Supersonic Phonics
- 9.30am 9.45am: Snack Time

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- 9.45am 11.15am: Group time/Continuous Provision
- 11.15am 11.30am: Tidy up Time
- 11.30am-11.45am: Maths Carpet Time
- 11.50am 12.00: Morning Session finishes
- 11.50am 1.00pm: Lunch
- 1.10pm 2.50pm: Adult led activities/Continuous Provision
- 2.50pm 3.00pm: Break and Snack
- 3.00pm 3.15pm: Story Time/Singing
- **3.15pm 3.30pm:** Getting ready for home time.

#### 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 Design

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:**

Details about our topics and curriculum plans will be sent to you each term and will also be available on the school website.

#### **Letters and Sounds**

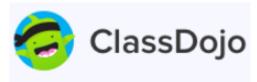
Your child will also learn through the phonics programme that we implement in school called 'Supersonic Phonic Friends'. This will be a daily 20/30-minute session which is split between classes, from Nursery to Year 2. We will inform you over the year of the work your child is doing and how you can help at home.

#### **Key Person**

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When your child starts Nursery they will 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 about Dojo and a form to give us permission to register your child are in your welcome pack. Please return the form at the start of term so we can get you and your child set up.

#### **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.

#### **Accidents and Care**

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All accidents requiring treatment are recorded in our accident book. Whoever picks up your child will be 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.

## **Clothing**

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 please avoid dungarees, belts, braces, lace up shoes and tight fitting clothes.

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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 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 some 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 outdoors.

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 session. 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 on Tuesdays. Also earrings cannot be worn; these will need to be removed or taped up.

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#### **Snack Time**

Every morning we will come together and have snack time as a group. In the morning your child will be provided with a drink of milk. There is no charge for these. We also say that children can bring a healthy snack for the morning snack, e.g. snack bar/ fruit, which can be put on the snack trolley separately to the lunch boxes. For afternoon snack we provide a piece of fresh fruit.

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.

## **Toys from Home**

Please keep home toys at home because special toys can easily be lost or misplaced which can be very upsetting. If your child needs a comfort toy to help them settle, that will be fine – please speak to your child's teacher or key person.

#### **Book Swap**

Shared reading books – your child will have the opportunity to bring home a book for you to share together each day. We change books daily and will provide your child with a wallet to put their book in when they start with us. Please make sure this comes into Nursery every day for a new book.

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## 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 there will be formal parents' evenings for you to discuss your child.

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.

The Nursery Team