



Welcome to St Anthony's Nursery
New Nursery Parents'
Info June 2023





Who's Who?

- Katy - EYFS Co-ordinator and Nursery Class teacher.



Nursery teaching assistants.

- Melanie – INCO – Inclusion co-ordinator



Timing of the Day

8:50 Nursery come in:

It is very important to be in on time as the first 15 minutes are a valuable part of the day.

Activity Time:

Each day the children take part in a short, focused adult led activity.

These are planned against the 7 areas of learning and RE:

- - communication and language
- -physical development
- -personal and social skills
- - literacy
- -maths
- -understanding of the world
- -Expressive art and design

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Choosing time:

The children are allowed to choose what they would like to play with and try. During this time the children can play indoors and outdoors with adults supporting their play and exploration. We also offer snack during this time to those children who want it.

End of day:

Doors open t 11:50-12:00. Please collect your child by 12pm. Please be prompt as some of the Nursery staff have to work in a different part of the school at noon.



Snacks



- Free milk is available for all Nursery children, but this must be ordered before hand
- A variety of fruit and vegetables are on offer each day to those children who want it.
- Please let us know if your child has any allergies
- Children need to bring a named water bottle to school with a sports cap. These should be filled with water and nothing else.
- Water bottles should be clear but distinctive e.g. a bright label with your child's name clearly marked on it.

Toilets

- The children are expected to manage going to the toilets by themselves.
- Please spend the summer holidays working on your child being independent at going to the toilet.
- Children need to know that they must wash hands every time they visit the toilet and should be able to do so independently.
- Children should no longer be in nappies.
- It is a good idea to pack a small bag with spare school uniform and underwear in case of an accident. We can keep this bag in school.



What will my child need?

- Plimsolls (kept in school)
- Book bag
- Red Socks
- School Polo shirt
- School sweatshirt
- School tracksuit bottoms

Everything must be named!

- Please make sure when coming to school children wear sensible outdoor shoes they can do up **themselves** e.g. trainers with velcro straps - no laces. If it is a rainy day then wellies is a good idea.
- Make sure your child's jumper is roomy enough so they can easily take it off and put it on again.
- A bag with spare clothes in, in case of accident. (PE bags are a good idea)

The Uniform



We now have new
St Anthony's
tracksuit bottoms
for Nursery!

Order at:

www.essentialschoolwear.com

Communication with parents

- Working together with parents is incredibly important to us and to your child's development. Each day we write messages and reminders onto our class whiteboard which is displayed outside Nursery – please check it daily.
- Each week (or fortnightly) your child's learning journal will be sent home with information on their week's learning and suggestions on home learning activities.
- Please check book bags each Friday for some of their lovely creations!

Communication with parents

- You will be invited to two parents' evenings throughout the year and given a written report at the end of the year. We will continually assess your child against the EYFS framework.
- There will be some other meetings throughout the year based on specific things – e.g. getting ready for Reception.

Learning Journals

- Your child's special journal book will be sent home every Friday. This is so that you can see what we have been doing each week and talk to your child about their week. Talking to them is very important as it deepens their learning, understanding and vocabulary.
- If you would like to write a special note to your child about their learning, or if they brought their learning home please do so on a post-it note and stick it in.
- Journals need to be given back in on Wednesday.

Reminders

- No earrings.
- No sweets, toys etc to be brought in unless requested by the teacher for a topic.
- Make sure your child hears and sees things that are appropriate for their age on TV or tablets.
- Name everything.

Parking

- You may **not** drive in to the school.
- Please park safely outside of the school grounds and not on the yellow lines.
- Park and Stride is available at the Rising Sun and Morrisons.
- Please remember that before your child goes into the Nursery building they are your responsibility and should not be running around. They are not allowed on the trim trail or on scooters.

Leave of Absence

- No leave of absence will be granted during term time for holidays. The Head Teacher may authorise absence in exceptional circumstances only and will stipulate the number of days allowed.
- Please inform us if your child is unwell and cannot attend Nursery. Please phone and then put in writing.

Money

- We kindly ask parents to donate towards our School fund. We ask for £2 per week. This is very important to us as it enables us to buy good resources for the children.
- We would still like to buy more resources for our outdoor area and our new kitchen garden which we have spent the year planning.
- Can be paid weekly, monthly, termly or half termly via the school gateway.
- We are a cashless school.

Thank you

We look forward to welcoming you to our Nursery class in September!

If you have any questions please email admin@stanthonys.herts.sch.uk and direct your emails to Katy.