

HASLAND INFANT SCHOOL



NURSERY
NEW PARENTS MEETING
SUMMER 2023

PURPOSE OF MEETING

- To introduce ourselves.
- To give you some ideas about what to expect as your child starts Nursery.
- To run through a typical session at Nursery.
- To begin to develop a positive home/school partnership.
- To answer any questions you may have.



WHO'S WHO IN NURSERY NEXT YEAR...



Mrs Cousins
— Nursery Teacher



Miss Down
- Nursery Teaching Assistant



Mrs Boden
- Nursery Teaching Assistant



Mrs Thompson
- Nursery Teaching Assistant



Miss Slack
- Nursery Teaching Assistant

And Mrs Wallhead

WHAT DOES OUR NURSERY OFFER?

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- We offer both 15 hour and 30 hour places.
- Our Nursery has expanded and we added another classroom to our provision allowing for greater capacity and flexibility.
- Our staff team consists of our Nursery Teacher, Two level 8 Teaching and Learning assistants and one Level 7 Teaching and Learning assistants plus auxiliary staff who facilitate snack and lunchtime provision.

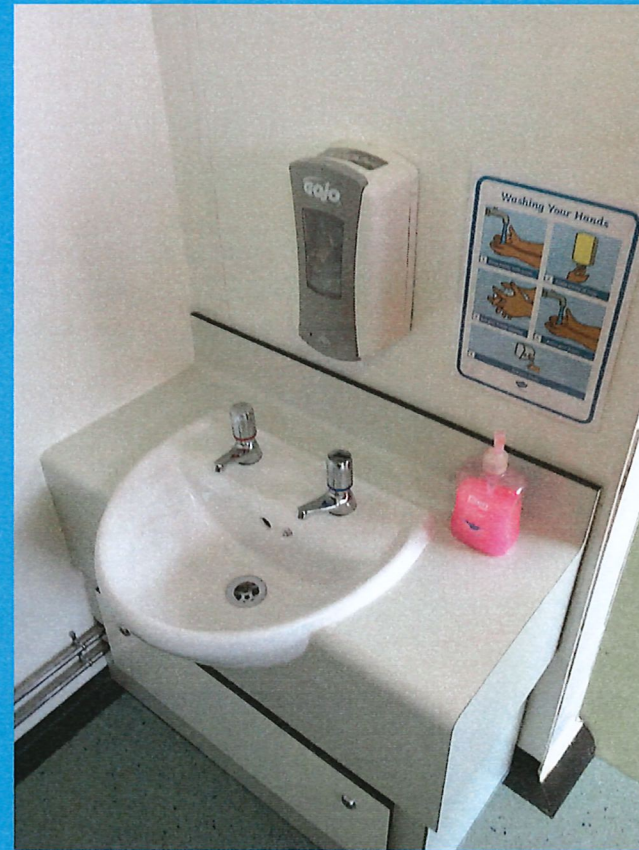
WHAT DOES MY CHILD NEED TO WEAR FOR NURSERY?

- Grey trousers/skirt or dress.
- White polo shirt
- Navy jumper or cardigan
- Sensible shoes for outdoor learning
- Waterproof coat



TOILET TRAINING

- If your child is still toilet training we would ask that he/she wears loose fitting bottoms that are easier to manage –leggings/jogging bottoms until toilet training is established.
- We understand children develop at different rates and some need more support than others.
- Be honest about what stage your child is at.
- Start now in order to prepare your child for Nursery.
- Staff are happy to change and support children and we know 'accidents' happen – children become engrossed in what they are doing.
- Care plans will be put in place and shared with you by a member of the Nursery team if your child's development in this area needs additional support.



WHAT SHOULD WE DO WHEN WE ARRIVE ON THE FIRST DAY?

- The children have a staggered start to help them transition into Nursery and come for their full session straight away
- If your child is here for a full day then place your child's lunchbox on the sandwich trolley. (please make sure it is named)
- Be positive and excited for your child.

It is really important that right from the start you support your child to be as independent as possible.



LEARNING IN NURSERY – INDOORS AND OUTDOORS

Prime areas of learning

- communication and language.
- physical development.
- personal, social and emotional development.

Specific areas of learning

- literacy.
- mathematics.
- understanding the world.
- expressive arts and design.

We learn through play





WHAT WILL A TYPICAL SESSION/DAY AT NURSERY BE LIKE FOR MY CHILD?

8.45 – 9.00 or 12.30–12.45 – Gates and doors are open
Time to self register and settle children in Nursery.

9.15/1.00 – Whole class carpet session
Group time. These sessions have a different focus throughout the week e.g. Phonics, Physical development – dance/dough disco, Maths, PSED, Understanding the world. Speaking and Listening.

Children then select their learning either inside or outside. We operate a free flow system allowing children to make choices.
Adults facilitate Children's learning and also support children with small adult led activities. Children also access snack during this time.

11.20/3.00 – Quiet time. Whole class story/rhymes and singing.

Parents can start to collect from 11.25/3.15 – We operate a queuing system.

WILL MY CHILD BE ABLE TO EAT A SNACK OR HAVE DRINK?

- Rolling snack system.
- Every session the children will be offered a piece of fruit.
- They will have the choice of water or milk to drink.
- In addition we also provide a range of bread, crackers and spreads for the children so they can learn to use a knife to spread butter, jam, cream cheese.
- On Friday we have a Special snack
- We encourage the children to pour their own water and wash up their own cups.
- Children also help collect each other from provision for snack.



WHAT WILL MY CHILD NEED TO BRING TO NURSERY ?

- Coat
- Hat/scarf/gloves in cold weather
- Sun hat in warm weather
- Drawstring bag with spare clothes/pull ups
- Lunch box with healthy packed lunch if your child is staying/coming for lunch



*Please make sure EVERYTHING
is labelled clearly with your child's name!*



WHAT CAN I BE DOING AT HOME WITH MY CHILD IN PREPARATION FOR NURSERY?

- Work on toilet training.
- Encourage your child to wash and dry their hands properly.
- Encourage your child to put on and have a go at fastening their own coat.
- Teach your child how to turn coat/jumper and cardigan sleeves the right way around.
- Encourage your child to sit for short periods – listening to stories.
- Enjoy sharing rhymes and games with your child to encourage concentration.

WHAT SORTS OF QUESTIONS WILL MY CHILD NEED TO BE ABLE TO USE?

- Can I go to the toilet please?
- Could you please help me fasten my coat?
- Can I wash my hands?
- Could you please help me to get the straw into the milk carton?

It is important that children are confident and where possible that they are able to verbalise their needs.



ATTENDANCE AND HOLIDAYS

- Attendance is non statutory at this age, however our School policy which also includes Nursery is that attendance should not fall below 96%
- Your child's place is funded and therefore significant non attendance could result in that funded place being given to someone else.
- A holiday during term time will be authorised.
- A holiday request form must be filled out so we can account for your child's whereabouts.
- If your child is ill we ask you to phone Nursery each day to let us know.
- If children are absent from their session in Nursery and we have not received a phone call from you then Nursery staff will contact you to find out why.
- A home visit may be carried out.

WHAT HAPPENS IF MY CHILD IS ILL OR HAS AN ACCIDENT AT NURSEY?



- Phone call made
 - Child monitored
 - First Aid
 - Prescription medicines only
 - Parental permission
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- If your child is sick then it is 48 hours since the last bout before they may return to Nursery.

THANK YOU FOR COMING!!



If you have any questions or think of any later don't hesitate to get in touch!



We look forward to working with you and your children in September.