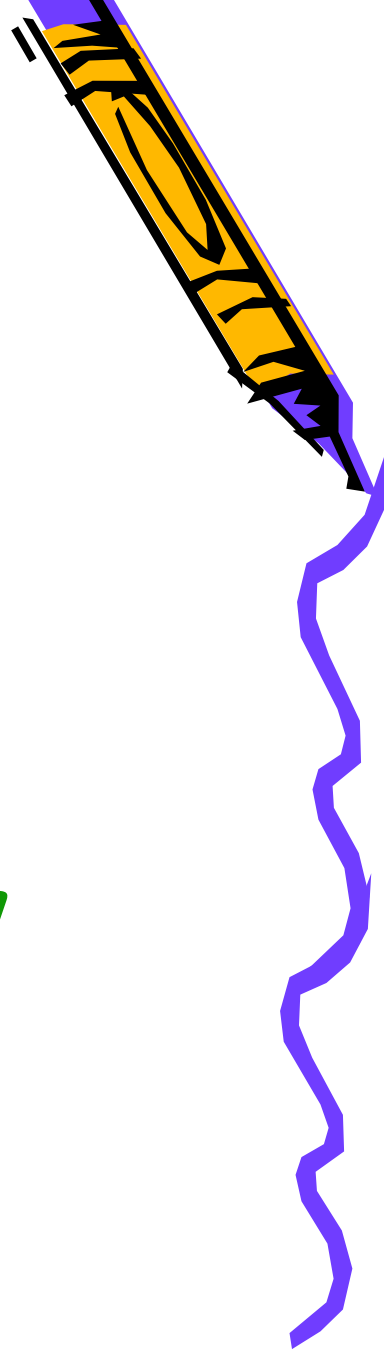


St Michael's Nursery and Infant School



Welcome to Nursery





Nursery Staff

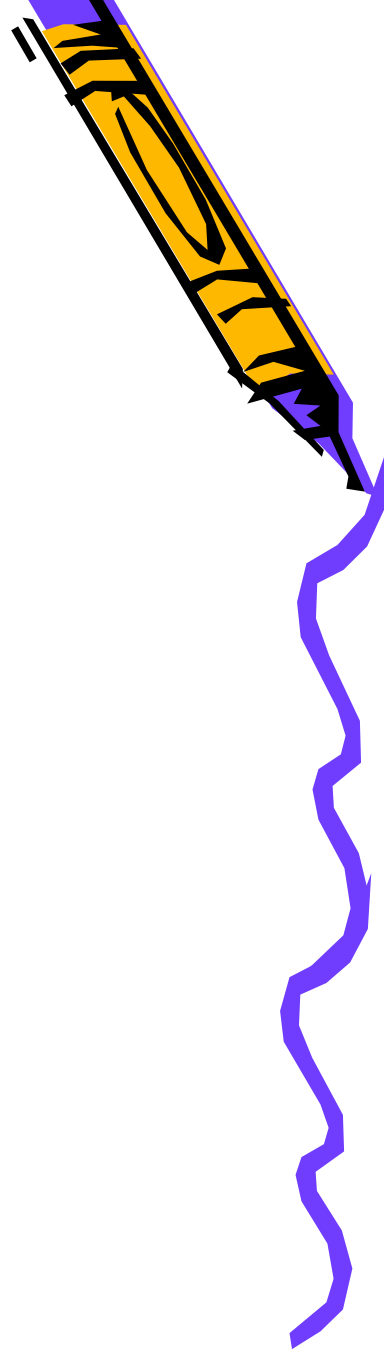


Miss Routledge
Class Teacher



Mrs Cartner
Higher Level Teaching
Assistant

And 3 Teaching Assistants (TBC)





Starting School

Wednesday 4th September

Home visits for children new to our school.

Thursday 5th and Friday 6th September

Nursery children will attend school for half a session. 8.45am – 11.55am (Breakfast club is available)

Monday 9th September

Children attending Nursery for 30 hours will be able to remain for the full session from this day onward.

Settling In

All children are individual and we understand that some children can take longer than others to settle or have difficulty in adjusting to full-time school. In these cases a longer induction period may be beneficial and would be discussed with yourself and your child's teacher.


































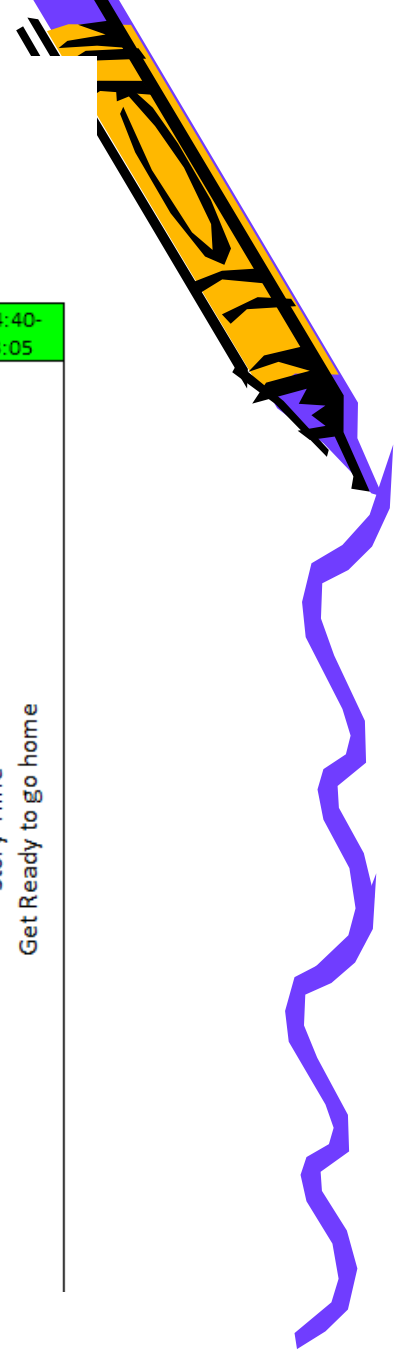
Our Timetable



We use this timetable as a guide. We are flexible in Nursery and timetabled slots may change due to the needs and interests of the children on the day.



	8:55	9:00 – 9:10	9:10 -9:35	9:35-9:55	9:55 – 10:15	10:15-10:30	10:30-10:50	10:50 – 11:50	11:50-13:00	13:00 –14:20	14:20-14:40	14:40-3:05	
Monday	Registration	 Maths	 Continuous Provision	Snack Time	 Phonics	Playtime	 Phonics	 Continuous Provision	Lunchtime	 Dance with Ms Cook	 Continuous Provision	Snack Time	Story Time Get Ready to go home
Tuesday		 Maths	 Continuous Provision		 Phonics		 Phonics	 Continuous Provision		 Continuous Provision Outdoors and Indoors			
Wednesday		 Maths	 Continuous Provision		 Phonics		 Phonics	 Continuous Provision		 Continuous Provision Outdoors and Indoors			
Thursday		 Maths	 Continuous Provision		 Phonics		 Phonics	 Continuous Provision		 Continuous Provision Outdoors and Indoors			
Friday Feel Good Friday		 Phonics		 Maths	Snack Time	 Praise School Assembly	 Feel Good Friday BOOK TIME And Outdoor Provision	 Continuous Provision Outdoors& Indoors		 Golden Time			





What do we in Nursery



The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) covers the first stage of a child's care from birth to five years old. It sets the standards to ensure that all children learn and develop, as well as keeping them healthy and safe. It is the bases that we build our curriculum on in nursery and then in reception.

There are seven Areas of Learning included in the EYFS:

- Communication and Language
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Physical Development
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design

Young children learn and develop through **play and exploration**. The adults support this through guidance and teaching of skills tailored to each child's individual needs.





Phonics

Children in nursery start phonic sessions on the first day of nursery and will have a phonics session each morning. Phonics is a way of teaching children how to read and write. It helps children hear, identify and use different sounds that distinguish one word from another in the English language.

We start our phonic journey through the various stages of phonological awareness with the help of the award winning programme 'Read Write Inc.'

To aid your child in their learning we recommend that you enjoy reading aloud with them as much as possible, this will help them to amass a varied and colourful vocabulary.



a	b	c	d	e	f
Around the apple and down the leaf.	Down the laces to the heel and around the toe.	Curly around the caterpillar.	Around the dinosaurs bottom, up his tall neck & down to his toes.	Lift off the top and scoop out the egg.	Down the stem and draw the leaves.



Outdoor Learning

The best
CLASSROOM
and the
richest cupboard
is roofed only
by the *Sky*.

By Margaret McMillan

Please send your child to school with clothing appropriate for the weather as we operate an outdoor curriculum everyday. A waterproof coat, with gloves and hats are essential in the colder months and sun hats and sun cream in the warmer months.

Learning can be Messy!

Exploring in the water tray is giving me lots of maths and scientific skills! I love pouring, filling and emptying! I usually wear an apron but sometimes my clothes get wet!



Using a knife and fork at lunchtime is tricky! Sometimes I get food on my clothes!



Exploring with playdough and other messy play resources like foam or food helps me to develop fine motor control and build up muscles and coordination in my hands and fingers. I will need these when I learn to write.



I sometimes get pen and paint on my clothes! This is because I am developing creative skills and exploring lots of different ways of making amazing art!



Playing outside is so important. I run and jump and get lots of fresh air.



Sometimes I might get dirt on my clothes.

Our mud kitchen is so much fun! I use all my senses, which is so important for my development. It also helps me use my imagination and practise playing with my friends nicely!





Clothing

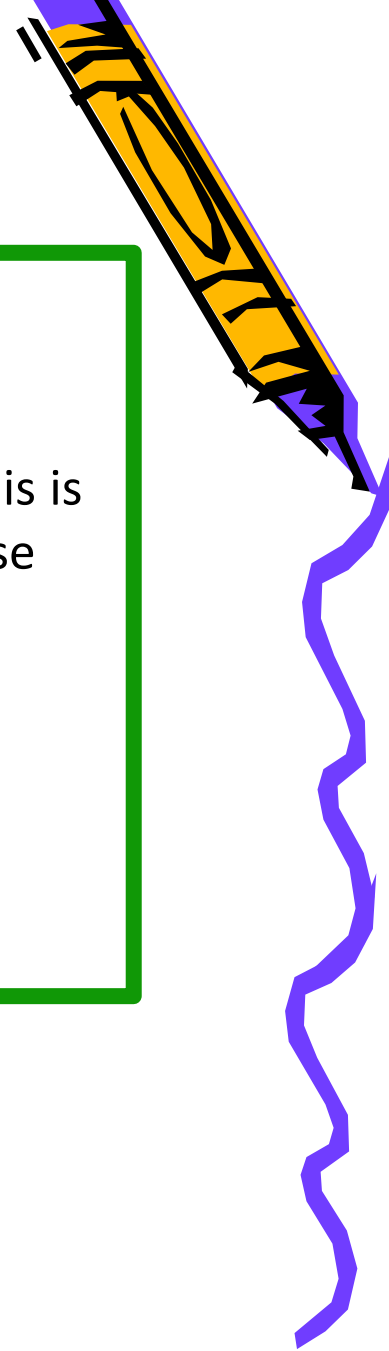


- Uniform can be ordered online.
- Please **label all clothing** with your child's name.
- **All children will need a spare outfit** including underwear and socks for any accidents that may occur – this can be left on your child's peg for if and when they need it.
- Please do not send children to school wearing jewellery. We are very active in school and do not want children to have any accidents by jewellery becoming caught on equipment.
- Please ensure clothing is manageable for children to remove and dress themselves, we advise jogging bottoms, leggings or a skirt.
- **Nursery DO NOT require a PE kit**, however, they will be removing socks, shoes and jumpers for the session, so easy fastening shoes (such as Velcro), are advised.
- Please bring clothing appropriate for the weather as we operate **an outdoor curriculum everyday**. Please feel free to leave waterproofs/wellies that have been labelled on your child's peg.





Toileting



- If your child is still undergoing toilet training and requires nappies or pull ups, please ensure that these are in children's bags each day along with wet wipes and additional spare clothing as needed.
- Please ensure clothing is manageable for children to remove and dress themselves-this is especially important when they are learning to use the toilet independently. We advise jogging bottoms, leggings or a skirt and vest instead of bodysuits.
- We prefer children to wear pull ups through the day as this supports children when learning to use the toilet.
- Please speak to a Nursery staff member for additional advice and support with toilet training as needed.





Keeping in Touch

- We use Class DoJo as a communication platform within school. We will send all new parents a link and you can get set up and we will update you on the adventures your little one makes,
- Class DoJo is a great way to communicate with the adults in school through the message function



ClassDojo



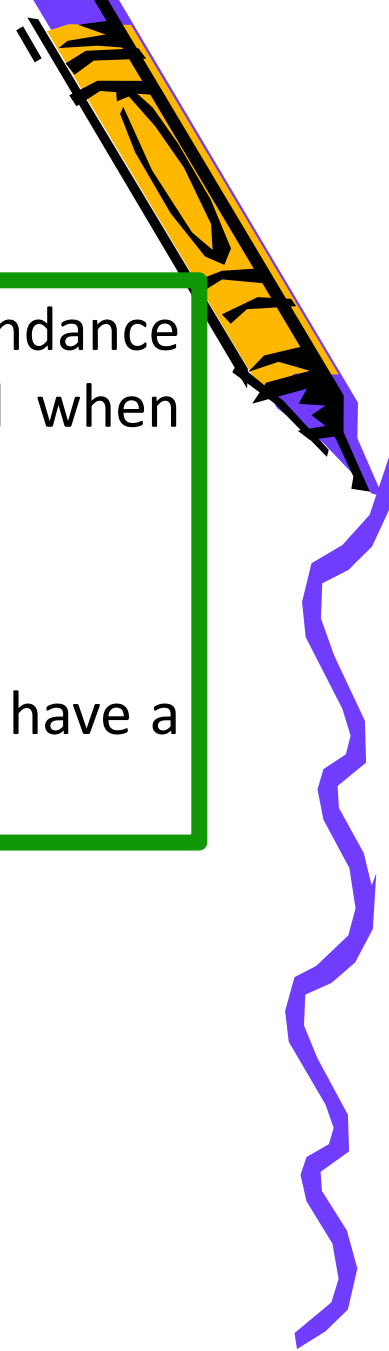


Attendance and Punctuality

- Attendance in Nursery is not compulsory, however, we do monitor attendance and will alert you regarding any concerns e.g. not arriving to school when expected.
- Any absences should be reported promptly to the school office.
- We will also speak to you about persistent lateness.
- We encourage parents not to book holidays during term time as this can have a detrimental effect upon your child's development.

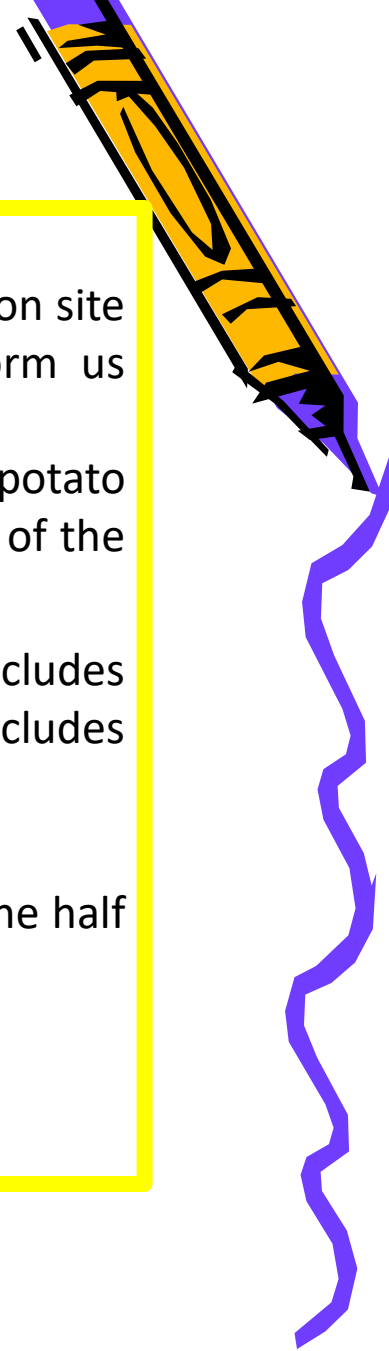


Attendance
Matters





Useful Information



School Dinners

Nursery children have the option of staying with us for lunch. All meals are freshly cooked in our on site kitchen. Menus are displayed each week on notice boards and on our website. Please inform us promptly of any specific dietary requirements.

Please note - as an alternative to a hot school lunch, your child may have a sandwich or jacket potato with various fillings. Please inform the office on Monday morning if you would like to change any of the menu choices for that week.

If you are not eligible for 30 hours, your child can stay until 1.30pm at a cost of £5.50 (which includes dinner). If you would like them to stay until 3.05pm, they can do so at a cost of £9 (which also includes dinner and an afternoon snack).

Snack money

We ask for a contribution of £1 a week towards snack. This can be paid weekly or at the start of the half term.

Morning club

This is held each morning from 8am at a cost of £2 a day. Please note that booking is essential.





If you require any further information
please contact the School Office

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Or message Miss Routledge on Class Dojo.

