



Welcome to Lister Infants

Nursery Booklet 2015-2016

Consistently good teaching and the outstanding care, guidance and support provided by all adults in the school are key elements in pupils' outstanding overall achievement

(Ofsted 2011)



Welcome to Nursery

Meet the teachers



Miss Manley
Teacher



Mrs Jones



Mrs Johnston
Teaching Assistant

Miss Manley, Mrs Jones and Mrs Johnston are your child's key workers. They will support your child in Nursery and are happy to help with any worries or concerns.



Pupils enjoy coming to school and they feel very safe, happy and secure right from the time they enter the nursery. (Ofsted 2011)

Nursery Routines

Nursery Hours

AM 8.45-11.45

PM 12.15-3.15



Nursery Topics

Autumn term 1- Colour Me Happy
Autumn term 2- Box of Celebrations

Spring term 1- Water, Water Everywhere

Spring term 2- Teddy Bears Picnic

Summer term 1- Down on the Farm
Summer term 2- Pirates Ahoy

Attendance & Punctuality

Good attendance is always encouraged.

If your child is absent from school, a letter explaining the absence should be sent with the child on his/her return to school. You must also phone the school to record absences.

Please ensure your child arrives on time at school to avoid disrupting your child's and the rest of the class' routine. A minor upset such as this can cause a lot of disorder within a class.

**If your child misses
1 day a week that is
20% of the school
year!**

Nursery Routines



Daily Snack

Each child has a free piece of fruit or vegetable each day and a carton of milk or water.

The fruit and vegetable provided are; oranges, tomatoes, carrots, bananas, apples, pears, strawberries and cucumbers. Please let us know if your child is unable to have any of these.

Biscuits

On a Friday, we offer the children the opportunity to buy biscuits for 2p each (max of 3 biscuits). The money raised from selling the biscuits goes towards a different children's charity each term.

Ofsted rated our outdoor area as 'an excellent outdoor learning area' (Ofsted 2011)



Outdoors

We have outdoor areas that the children can access all the time during rain, snow, wind and hail! So please make sure they have wellies in school to protect their feet in the bad weather!

What do I need?

Book Bag

We encourage parents to purchase a school book bag. This bag allows us to put all vital letters in with the confidence that they will get to you in one piece!!!



Children are eager to come to school and their parents and carers speak highly of the efforts made by staff to ensure that children feel secure and settle well. (Ofsted 2011)



Navy jogging pants and a school navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan and a pale blue polo shirt. Although nursery children don't have to wear a uniform, we feel it would be beneficial as some activities are messy! It will also keep your child warm during outdoor play and will protect them from any little falls that they may have on the playground. The jogging pants are also easy to pull up and down, which is very important for young children learning to use the toilet independently.

During summer, girls can wear a blue/white check summer dresses and boys may wear grey school shorts. Jogging pants and sweatshirts may be purchased from the school office.

We would also encourage you to purchase shoes or trainers with Velcro fastenings, as these are easier for the children to dress themselves.



Parental Involvement

Stay and Play!

To help with transition in to our Nursery we would like to invite parents to 'stay and play' with their child for up to half an hour. This encourages and supports your child's emotional well being as well as making this big transition a smooth one.

8.45-9.15 AM

12.15-12.45 PM

Home Readers

This is to foster the idea that reading is important, as it ensures that parents give their children some individual time each week and stresses the importance of books. Home Readers are given out on a Friday and are returned the following Thursday. Your child can choose their book and you are invited to make a comment on the sheet.

Parents and carers appreciate the high quality of pastoral care and communication between home and school, and feel that they are partners in their children's education.
(Ofsted 2011)

Magical Moments!

We want to hear about your child's successes and achievements at home. You can either tell us and we will add it to their learning journey or fill in the magical moment section of the newsletter.

If you require any help please speak to Miss Manley/Mrs Jones/Mrs Johnston

Examples: swimming badges, getting dressed by themselves, riding a 2 wheeler bike etc.

Parental Involvement

Parents' Evenings and Open Afternoons

- Each half term you will be invited in for either a Parents' Evening or an Open Afternoon.
- During Parents' Evening you will have time to speak to the teacher and look at your child's learning journey and add some comments.
- During Open Afternoons you will have time to look at your child's learning journey and add your comments.

Pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development is outstanding. (Ofsted 2011)

Homework

Every week you will receive the rhyme or song of the week and practical tips and activities that you can complete with your child at home. If you need extra support and guidance please speak to the Nursery staff.



Every morning...

Help your child find their names on the signing in table. This will support your child in recognising their name, which will support them later on once they start writing it.

Getting your Child Ready for Nursery

You can prepare your child (and yourself) for the big transition to Nursery, by allowing them to become more independent. This allows them to use the Nursery setting to its full potential and gives them an 'I can do it' attitude which allows them to be successful. We have some tips below to help and guide you.

In Nursery we encourage the children to put their coats on and as the year progresses we support them in fastening their coats. We also encourage them to take their coat off and hang it on their peg.

During snack time we support and encourage the children to select milk or water and add their own straw. We also support them in preparing the fruit, by peeling it or opening packets etc.

Allow your child to do this at home and encourage them to use cutlery independently.

Inclusion is at the heart of the school's ethos, where all pupils are given equal opportunities to succeed and discrimination of any kind is tackled.

(Ofsted 2011)

Toileting

The Nursery has separate toilet facilities to allow children quick and easy access. Support your child to use the toilet independently, by encouraging them to pull their pants up and down and by learning to wipe themselves. Have a toilet sticker chart where they can see their success.

This is a hard job but perseverance is the key! If you would like any advice please speak to a member of the Nursery team.

