

"We love it at Nursery!"

#### St John's Primary School and Nursery

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# Welcome to St John's Nursery Class



# Please keep me in a safe place!

We hope that you will find this booklet helpful, and that it will give you a flavour of our work here at St John's Nursery.

If you need any further information, please speak to Ms Kelly or Miss Taylor.

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Sharing in your child's education

You are your child's first and most important educator. Therefore, we want to work with you in building a strong partnership between home and school. We do this by:

- Visiting you and your child in your home at the start of the school year
- Being available to chat at the start and end of each session
- Displaying our weekly planning in the classroom
- Writing a half-termly newsletter to let you know our news
- Sharing your child's progress in Learning Journals
- Open evenings



"Coming to school with Mummy"

## Links with our Children's Centre

Many Nursery parents find the Children's Centre services very helpful. As of September 2014, Kenilworth Children's Centres have been run by Barnardo's. The Centre continues to work collaboratively with St John's, and we have formed strong and positive links. A range of activities and services for parents and children are available, and include:

- Stay and play sessions for children from birth to five years
- Support and advice on everyday issues including toilet training, dealing with tantrums and establishing routines
- Access to a health visitor, family support worker and school nurse

Our Nursery aims

Our aims fit within the national Early Years Foundation Stage designed for children from birth to five years.

Broadly, we aim to provide a range of exciting, meaningful play experiences, both indoors and outdoors, that will help your child to:

- become a confident and independent learner;
- develop positive relationships with other children and adults;
- be curious and ask questions about the world around him/her;
- develop concentration and perseverance.



"Seeing the nurse with my mum"

## **Nursery staff**

## What if my child is unwell?

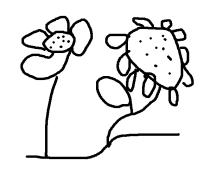
Our Nursery Teacher is: Ms June Kelly

Our Nursery Assistant is: Miss Sarah Taylor

From time to time, you will see other adults working alongside us. These might include students or supply staff. Your child will soon get to know these faces and to enjoy working with different people. Parents are always welcome to come and help out too.

To help prevent the spread of germs and illness, please keep your child at home until **fully** recovered. If your child has had sickness and diarrhoea, they must been kept off school for 48 hours after the last episode of vomiting / diarrhoea.

If your child is going to be off due to illness, please contact the school office on 01926 854450 (option 3). Please specify the nature of your child's illness in your message so that Mrs Morris and Mrs Weir can let us know what is wrong and, if necessary, we can then alert other parents.



"Flowers in our Nursery garden"



"I was poorly and sad"

## How can I help my child?

Nursery times

We have two Nursery sessions:

**Morning**: 8.45am – 12.00pm

**Afternoon**: 12.15pm – 3.15pm

We offer a weekly entitlement of 15 funded hours over either 5 mornings, 5 afternoons or 2.5 days.

#### Mornings

If you wish your child to stay for lunch until 1.00pm, this can be arranged at a cost of £3.50 per session (booked and paid for in advance). Your child will need to bring in a healthy packed lunch. You might also be interested in booking additional afternoon sessions at at a cost of £12.00 per session (booked and paid for in advance). Lunchtime sessions are included in this cost.

#### **Afternoons**

Afternoon sessions begin with lunch. Please send your child in with a healthy packed lunch.

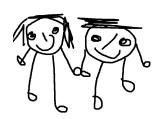
Like you, we want your child to be as independent as possible.

Winter coats with easy fastenings, elastic waist trousers and slipon shoes will help your child manage so much better when going to the toilet or getting dressed.

Should an accident happen, we do have a stock of spare clothes.



"I can put my coat on all by myself"



"Having fun together"

## Dropping off and collecting

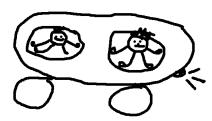
#### What to wear?

It is important that your child is brought to and collected from Nursery by a parent or other responsible adult.

On occasions, alternative arrangements need to be made. If somebody who is not known to the Nursery staff is collecting your child at the end of their session, please make us aware of this. This will be noted on the parents' noticeboard.

We cannot allow your child to leave with anybody other than their parent or carer unless we have been notified of arrangements in advance. There is no uniform in Nursery, so children wear their everyday clothes.

Please bear in mind, however, that we give children the opportunity to work with paint, sand, clay and other potentially messy resources. We do provide aprons, but ask that your child is not dressed in their best clothes because accidents will happen from time to time.



"Coming to Nursery in the car"



"I got a bit messy in the paint!"