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NURSERY PROCEDURES

Following successfully lowering the age to 3, we opened our Nursery in September 2023 and have spaces available for a September, January or April start.

We have a fantastic Nursery provision which offers children from the age of 3 a wonderful start in their learning through being active, exploring and being curious in both our indoor and outdoor setting with experienced staff.

We are flexible with hours, offering both 15 and 30 hours as well as the ability to pay for additional hours if needed. We have the capacity for 13 Nursery children.

Please do contact the school to look round, ask any further questions and apply! We look forward to welcoming you. Please see further details below about what we can offer and the next steps in the process.

In Northamptonshire children become eligible for government funded sessions in the term after their 3rd birthday. Children can be allocated between 15 - 30 government funded hours per week during term time; eligibility dependent* and spaces permitting. *<https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/free-childcare-and-education-for-2-to-4-year-olds> Term start dates for determining eligibility are based on government legislation and not school term dates. Children must have had their 3rd birthday before these dates to receive government funding.

Session Times

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| 9am - 11:30am | Morning Session |
| 11.30 - 12:30pm | Lunch |
| 12.30pm – 3pm | Afternoon Session |

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| Morning | Lunch | Afternoon |
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| Official Time 9-11.30 School time: 8.40-11.30am | 11.30-12.30 | Official time: 12.30-3pm School time 12.30 -3.15pm |
| Please note as we open the doors at 8.40 for the rest of the pupils, we will do the same for Nursery. | | Please note as we open the gates and doors at 3.15 for the rest of the pupils, we will do the same for Nursery. |

Children who arrive/leave at 11.30 or 12.30 need to ring a doorbell that will be on the gate outside the bike shed. The gate will then be unlocked for you to drop off or collect your child.

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We are flexible on how the hours are taken across the week but this is of course dependent on spaces within each session.

We have 3 key admission times September, January and April and prior to each starting point a clear transition process is in place. We will offer tours and/or attendance at a Stay and Play session followed by a meeting for parents.

The Government funds 15 hours provision. For any provision beyond this free entitlement, we charge an additional session fee to cover staffing costs. An extra session (2 ½ hours) is £14.50 and the lunchtime supervisory session is £5 (Please note parents should provide their child with a packed lunch).

Fees are payable through an invoice system which is payable into the school bank account.

Procedures for Session Requests

- Children will be admitted during the term after their 3rd birthday, based on three terms a year – (September, January, April) (in some cases if you and we feel jointly that the child can join once turned 3 but not yet in receipt of the funding, parents can pay for their child to attend separately following the charges above).
- Parents should enrol their child at the beginning of the summer term before the academic year in which they are 3. This can be done by collecting a registration form from the school office or locating off the website.
- Parents will be notified of their child's allocated sessions.
- Parents will be informed of any further session vacancies if and when they arise.

Procedures for Session Charges

- Sessions once booked cannot be changed for the whole term and will be charged accordingly. Any additional session request requires a short term (half term) notice and must be confirmed in writing by the parent.
- Fees continue to be payable if a child is absent due to illness, holidays or if the place is cancelled by the parent/carer during the booked term.
- Fees continue to be payable if the school is closed due to unforeseen circumstances e.g. adverse weather conditions.

