

## St Anne's Nursery and Extended Services

### Nursery

St Anne's Nursery is based in a classroom within the key stage 1 building of St Anne's Catholic Primary School. We have access to our own outside area which is just for nursery use during the school day. The area backs onto the KS2 playing field which allows children to see their older siblings during breaks. This not only helps children with the transition into school but also gives nursery children some security and reassurance if they are a little unsettled. We also have access to the school grounds and the KS1 hall for P.E. At lunch time children eat their lunch in the KS1 hall with the school children. Children can bring a healthy packed lunch or a school lunch is available at a small cost.

St Anne's Nursery is open from 7.45am – 6pm providing a breakfast and after school club for those families requiring it. The school day sessions are 8.45am - 11.45am and 12.30pm – 3.30pm. Lunch is between 11.45am – 12.30pm. Parents using the 15 hours universal funding and those also using the 15 hour extended funding can access the nursery, breakfast and after school sessions to fit in with their entitled hours of funding.

Nursery provides a supportive, nurturing, safe and stimulating environment for children to learn and play in. We can take up to 22 children per session. There are 4 members of staff who have been with the nursery up to 18 years, we have a very low staff turnover which gives the children the security and familiarity as families have used us from the first child to the last.

The basis of our nursery is to meet the development and educational needs of every child as an individual. Taking into account their interests, development and wellbeing. During your child's time with us, they will be constantly assessed and a record of their progress will be kept in a learning journey. This record is available for you to view at any time and we would welcome any additions from parents/carers. The system we use to record development is also used by the reception class allowing children to have a smooth transition into school.

The classroom is split into various areas and children can transport resources from area to area depending on their play. Each area has an enhancement added every week based on children's interests, weekly planning and development needs. For example; baby resources have recently been added as a few children are expecting new siblings soon.

Transition from nursery to reception class is supported throughout children's time at nursery. The reception class is next to the nursery classroom and children, from starting nursery, are familiar with the class rooms and teachers from school. This supports a smooth transition for children as they progress into school.

### Extended Services

Our breakfast club is open from 7.45am – 8.45am every school day. Nursery and reception children go to the EYFS Breakfast Club in nursery and all other years go into the KS1 hall.

Our after school club runs from 3.30pm – 6pm every school day. Nursery and reception children go to the EYFS after school club, years 1 – 4 go to the main hall and years 5 and 6 go to the chill out zone in the KS1 building.

Both clubs aim to give the children a feel of home, a time for them to relax, play and chat with their friends. Children are escorted by staff to and from club to class to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our children.

Whilst we try to adhere to the groups below on occasion these may need to change due to staff:child ratios to protect the safeguarding and welfare of our children.

### *EYFS Breakfast Club*

The EYFS breakfast club is based in the nursery classroom. This club is for the nursery and reception children attending school. The club is smaller with fewer children attending than the main club, allowing the newest children of the school time to adjust to their new surroundings. The EYFS breakfast club is staffed with nursery and school staff giving the children familiarity and support they need.

Children can access healthy breakfast to start their day including cereals, crumpets, toast, milk and water. We promote independence throughout school and we adapt the same ethos in breakfast club. Children are encouraged to pour their own cereal and milk, butter their toast etc under supervision. Giving children an understanding of key skills they need as they grow up.

After breakfast children have access to a range of resources in the nursery to play with. From painting and craft, jigsaws and games and the role play area to name a few.

We have found this to support transition into school as the nursery and reception children create friendships in club. Very often the children in nursery will say hello to reception pupils as they pass by, the friendship created in breakfast club. Again this supports children going into school and gives them familiarity and support.

### *Breakfast Club*

Breakfast club is based in the KS1 hall for children in Year 1 to Year 6. Children can have a healthy breakfast including cereals, toast, fruit and crumpets. . We promote independence throughout school and we adapt the same ethos in breakfast club. Children are encouraged to pour their own cereal and milk, butter their toast and pour their own drinks. Giving children an understanding of key skills they need as they grow up. The club is supervised by current members of St Anne's staff.

As well as receiving their breakfast, the children can also play with a wide variety of toys, games and play on the Nintendo Switch. We also have dressing up, construction toys and craft activities for them to take part in. Children are escorted to their classes to begin the school day at 8.45am.

### *EYFS After School Club*

The EYFS After School Club is based in the nursery classroom. This club is for the nursery and reception children attending school. The club is smaller with fewer children attending than the main club, allowing the newest children of the school time to adjust to their new surroundings. The EYFS after school club is staffed with nursery and school staff giving the children familiarity and support they need. Each child has their own key person.

As part of the session children can access a snack which will be provided for them. Options include pitta pizza's, toasted teacakes, chicken taco's, sandwiches, etc. There is always fresh fruit, milk and water available.

At after school club children have access to a range of resources in the nursery to play with. From painting and craft, jigsaws and games and the role play area to name a few. We also go outside using the playground, field or nursery area. The winter nights don't stop us either, you will find us in the nursery outdoor area playing hide and seek with torches.

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#### *After school club*

Based in the KS1 hall the after school club takes children from year 1 to year 4. The club is set up based on children's interests and children choose what they would like out that night. They have plenty to choose from including games, role play, crafts, cooking, small world, etc. They also have access to the KS1 playground if they choose to go outside.

Snack will be offered to the children and like the other clubs independence is promoted in making snack. The resources will be made available and children will be encouraged to make their pizza, sandwich, wrap etc. A member of staff is always on hand for support.

The club is supervised by experienced and qualified staff with a lot of experience.

#### *Chill out zone*

This has been created for our year 5 and 6's to relax and chat. In here there is more suitable resources such as games, books, music, craft, and technology for this age. A lot of year 5 and 6's feel they do not need child care as they are too old but not yet old enough to leave at home alone. So we have created the chill out zone. This gives the children the opportunity to chill out, chat with their friends and relax without the younger children disrupting them. There is also an opportunity to do homework, this would be children's choice and not enforced. The outside area will still be available.

Snack resources would be provided and the children can make it when they are hungry. Again promoting the independence of our children.

This club will be staffed by an experienced member of staff and they will be there as a support to the children.