



Welcome to St Thomas More's Nursery

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Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)



Prime Areas:

Personal, Social and Emotional Development
Communication and Language
Physical Development



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Specific Areas:

Literacy

Mathematics

Understanding the World

Expressive Arts and Design



Characteristics of Effective Learning



- Playing and Exploring - engagement
- Active Learning - motivation
- Creating and Thinking Critically - thinking



Religious Education



'Come and See'





Outdoor Provision



- We access our outdoor provision throughout the day which allows the children to experience all weather conditions!
- Please ensure that your child has 'weather appropriate clothing' each day



Packed Lunches and Snacks



Packed Lunches:

- If your child is attending the full day session, you will need to provide a packed lunch.
- We find that around 4 items in their packed lunch is an appropriate amount for them to eat during their lunch break.
- Please ensure that packed lunches are in a labelled lunch bag and include a drink.
- We are a NUT FREE school and request that items sent in lunch bags are free from nuts.

Snacks:

- A drink of milk or water and a snack is available during the course of the morning for the children
- Weekly snack money = £1



'Virtual' Home Visits



- This is an informal discussion and an opportunity to meet with you and your child.
- We are currently trying to source software that will enable us to undertake a 'virtual' home visit. We will be in touch with further details if this is possible.



30 Hour Eligibility Codes



- Information included in the packs that you have received.



Stay and Play sessions



- An opportunity for you and your child to meet the team, their new friends and explore the environment.
- Stay and Play sessions - Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th September 2021.
- Each session is for one hour and we are currently able to allow one parent per child to stay for the duration of the sessions.
- All dates and your allocated time slot are included in the pack that you have received.



Starting school in September



- As you are aware from the pack that you received, we 'stagger' the children into Nursery.
- You have received the details for your child in your pack.

	w/c Mon 6 th September 2021		w/c Mon 13 th September 2021	
			AM (9-11am)	PM (1-3pm)
Monday	Stay and Play sessions (Monday 6 th & Tuesday 7 th September)		B	A
Tuesday			Tuesday 14 th September 9am-1pm including lunch 15 hr children session ends at 11:40am	
Wednesday	AM (9-11am)	PM (1-3pm)	From Wednesday 15th September 30h children attend Nursery 'full time' - 8.40am 3.10pm 15h children 8.40am-11.40am	
	A	B		
Thursday	A	B		
Friday	B	A		



Starting school in September 'Drop off and collect'



- In line with the current COVID-19 guidance and our school Risk Assessment, there is currently a 'one way' system around the school site.
- Presently, we enter the school site via the green gates near the staff car park. From here you will walk ahead to the main playground and then turn left to access the Nursery building. Once you have 'dropped off' your child, you will then walk down towards the visitor car park to leave the school site.
- We ask that one adult accompanies their child to 'drop off' and 'collect' their child each day and that masks are worn by adults (unless exempt).
- After we have completed our Stay and Play sessions and the 'staggered' timetable, our school gates and Nursery door opens at 8:30am, children can be 'dropped off' from this time and the gates close at 8:50am. This is to 'ease the flow' of people on the school site.
- At the end of the day, our school gates open at 2:50pm and children in the Nursery can be collected from this time.



Communication with school



- Speaking to the Nursery team
- Class Dojo and staff email
- Phone calls, text message service, letters and newsletters
- Ensure contact details are always up-to-date



In your pack...

- Stay and Play sessions (dates & times)
- Your child's 'starting Nursery' arrangements
- Setting contact consent form
- 'All About Me' booklet
- 'Tapestry' consent form
- Information about the 30 Hour Eligibility Codes
- Parental Agreement
- Uniform order form
- Holiday dates
- Annex Club information



Useful information



- We are a 'Nut Free' environment
- The Annex - Breakfast/After School Club
- What to do if your child is unwell
- What we do if your child is unwell



Things to bring and remember for September...

- A pair of wellington boots labelled with your child's name, that can stay in school
- A packed lunch for your child (if they are attending a full day session)
- A labelled water bottle
- Please, please, please label every item of uniform and belongings!





Preparing for Nursery Checklist



Can your child:

- Respond to an adult or ask for help?
- Put their coat, jumper, shoes on/off and (with help) manage zips/fastenings?
- Go to the toilet and wash their hands independently?
- Get a tissue and blow their nose?
- Tidy up toys and put things away?
- Wait for their turn when an adult is busy with others?
- Comply with reasonable adult requests promptly and appropriately?

Steps to starting school

Build your child's confidence so that they start school confident, curious and ready to learn

Access more great advice, tips and downloadable resources at pacey.org.uk/schoolready

pacey
professional association for
childcare and early years

More top tips:

- ★ Get your child ready for their new routine by switching their meal times to match those of the school day
- ★ Encourage your child to explore new environments and interact with new people
- ★ Talk to your child about what they are most looking forward to at school
- ★ Let your child practise putting their new school uniform on and taking it off
- ★ **And remember,** every child is different and starts school with different abilities



Thank you



Thank you for attending this evening. If you do have any further queries you can contact us via the details below.

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