

Early Years Induction Meeting



Welcome to Great Hollands Nursery

- This presentation aims to provide an introduction to our Nursery, and includes initial information which we hope you will find useful.
- Should you have any further questions, staff will be happy to discuss these with you.
- We hope you will find it helpful in learning about us and in supporting you, as your child starts in our Nursery Class.
- We have a calming classroom that helps our children learn, with areas that support the seven areas of the EYFS.
- Our outside area has lots of exciting exploring opportunities.



Ms York (DHT)
EYFS Lead



Mrs Kalampaliki
EY Teacher



Mrs Griffin
EYP



Miss Sharp
EYP



Miss Johnson
EYP

RECEPTION TEAM

NURSERY TEAM

**Early Years
Team**

2023-2024



Mrs Spiers
EY Teacher



Mrs Parry
EYP



Miss Scaplehorn
EYP

Our Nursery class and Key groups

- Our Nursery class are known as the Caterpillars class.
- We also have smaller key groups for some work and for snack and chat; Blue Caterpillars and Green Caterpillars.
- Each smaller group has a key adult.
- We will arrange the best groupings for our children once we have met all of them.



Stay and Play

- We will be holding a 'Stay and Play' session on Wednesday 19 July at 9.30am - 10.15am, 10.30am – 11.15am or 11.30am – 12.15pm
- Please come to the Nursery entrance
- This will enable us to talk to you and your child and find out things such as;
 - Your child's interests and favourite things.
 - Any medical needs.
 - Support your child may have been receiving, such as speech and language
- We find this really helps us to get to know your child, and in turn, helps them to settle into nursery.

Home Visits

- You will have been sent an appointment time for us to come and visit you and your child at home in September.
- This will give us further time to talk to you about your child and find out more information to support their transition to Nursery.
- It will also be a time we can play with your child, in a familiar setting, helping us to further build up our understanding of them and for them to become more familiar with us.
- It is also an opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have.
- We find this really helps us to get to know your child, start building relationships with you which, in turn, helps them to settle better into Nursery.

On Your Child's First Day

You have received confirmation of the date your child will start Nursery. This will be either a morning or afternoon session.

On Your Child's First Day at Great Hollands Nursery - morning:

- Please enter the main school gates by Cunworth Court and make your way to the Reception class.
- The gate next to the classroom will be open at 8.40am. This leads to the Nursery garden gate, where you will be greeted by a member of staff
- The gate will remain open until 8.50am
- Staff will be on hand to help your child into the Nursery
- For collection: the gate at the back of Nursery (by the Children's Centre) will open at 11.40am until 11.50am
- If your child is doing full time, you will have had this confirmed and full days will start on **Monday 25 September** – further information at your home visit.



On Your Child's First Day

On Your Child's First Day at Great Hollands Nursery - afternoon:

- The gate by the Children's Centre will be open at 12.15pm. This leads to the Nursery garden gate, where you will be greeted by a member of staff
- The gates will remain open until 12.20pm
- Staff will be on hand to help your child into the Nursery
- At collection: Please enter the main school gates by Cunworth Court and make your way to the Reception class
- The gate next to Reception will open at 3.15pm until 3.20pm for you to collect your child.
- If your child is doing full time, you will have had this confirmed and full days will start on **Monday 25 September** – further information at your home visit.



Daily Timetable

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Activity

Gates open. Children join in with finger gym activities at tables

Welcome group

Phase 1 phonics and story

Explore time/planned focused activities

Snack and chat and numbers

Daily physical fun

Explore time/planned focused activities

Topic story time

Coats on for home time and singing time



September

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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

Clothing

- We encourage our children to wear a School uniform (see [website](#)) – This saves their own clothes from getting paint, glue and mud on them! It also helps them feel more involved in our GREAT school.
- Welly boots, named and in a named plastic bag, to stay in school
- Waterproof jackets and winter clothing for cold weather, e.g. hat, scarf, gloves – all named
- Sun hat in the summer months
- Named spare clothes and pants in a named bag
- Named water bottle
- No accessories / stud earrings only for pierced ears



Food and Drink

Snacks:

- Children will receive a piece of fruit during the day.
- If your child will only eat a specific fruit, please feel free to bring in a piece from home if you prefer.

Milk:

- Children will be offered a carton of milk with their fruit each day.
- They can also have water if they wish.

Please note we are a nut free school



Health

- We need to be aware of your child's medical background, in particular any allergies (e.g. bee stings, dairy food), any dietary restrictions.
- Any medical conditions that are important for us to know (e.g. asthma or eczema). We will ask for this information on the admissions forms
- Children can suddenly become ill and therefore it is important that we know we can contact you or another adult relative/friend at all times.
- Please keep us informed of any changes to contact numbers by letting the school office know.



Early Years Curriculum

- Activities in our Nursery are carefully planned and organised in order to provide a range of learning experiences
- Planning for each term is carried out using a topic-based approach,
- There are 7 Areas of Learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS), which activities are planned around:
 - **Personal, Social and Emotional Development**
 - **Physical Development**
 - **Communication and Language**
 - **Literacy**
 - **Mathematics**
 - **Understanding the World**
 - **Expressive Arts and Design**

Our indoor and outdoor classrooms are designed to help support these areas of learning.

In September we will send you details of our topics

In the Autumn we will explore our senses!

How you can help your child

- Give your child a variety of experiences with you – enjoy time together
- Share stories and books with them
- Talk to them about anything and everything – modelling back correctly and using new vocabulary.
- Count things – name things – ask them questions
- Develop good routines with them, especially at nighttime so they get enough sleep
- Encourage your child to tidy up, look after things, share and do things for themselves
- Encourage them to use the toilet and have good hygiene habits

How you can help your child

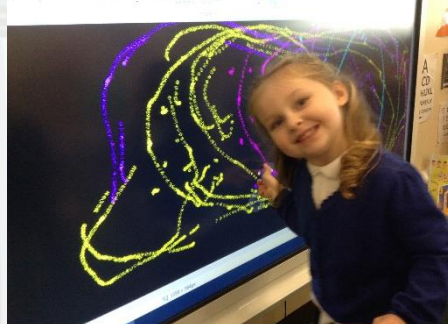
- Book at bedtime

Learning Journeys and Reports

- Throughout the year, staff will record your child's learning in a folder called a 'Learning Journey'.
- This will form a unique record of your child's learning and development.
- It will contain samples of work, photographs and staff observations. These folders enable staff to track your child's progress and attainment, and also plan future activities.
- **Reports** – We send home a written report in July. We also hold parent meetings twice a year to discuss your child's progress, share their achievements, and develop their next steps.



We love exploring!



Dates for your diary

Family Learning Dates

- English 'Messy Writing' Session – Friday 6 October (AM)
- Maths 'Washing Lines' Session – Wednesday 31 January (AM)
- Transition to school – Friday 5 July (AM)



We hope that this presentation is useful. Should you have any questions, please feel free to speak to a member of staff.

We aim to ensure that your children's experience in Great Hollands Nursery is a happy and rewarding one. We look forward to working with both you and your children.

