



Welcome to Dane Royd J & I

Nursery
Transition Meeting

Headteacher: Miss Kelly

Meet the teachers:



Mrs Child



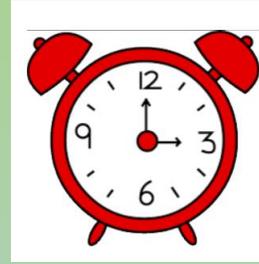
Mrs Hartshorne

Our setting:



Children will have access to 1 indoor classroom plus our Nursery outside area.

Timetable & routines:



Times of sessions:

- Morning 8.45am - 11.45am
- Afternoon 12.15pm - 3.15pm

We kindly ask that you closely supervise your child during these handover times.

Our outdoor environment is considered an extension of our classroom; toys & equipment **should not** be used whilst waiting for the doors to open.

Wraparound

We are also able to offer wraparound care which takes place within the school environment for parents who need longer childcare provision. It will complement existing provision at the Nursery and is available through payment of a fee. If you are interested in Wraparound, please speak to Extended Schools Manager, Mrs Beddard, about times available and cost or visit the school website for further details:

<https://www.daneroyd.com/wraparound-care>



Typical daily structure:

- Children say goodbye to parents outside on the Nursery playground.
- Children enter through the doors.
- Hang coats in cloakroom.
- Find name for register.
- Children choose inside the Nursery setting.
- A focused session on the carpet.
- Class structured learning opportunities in free-flow (choosing time)
- Read Write Inc Phonics
- Outdoor Provision
- Story and home.



Within the week opportunities are also provided for PSHE (Circle-time)

Useful Information

Absence & Illness



- Please make sure you **keep us informed of any medical conditions/allergies** your child may have.
- If your child requires medication during the Nursery session, we have a consent form that must be filled in.

Please do not bring your child to Nursery if they are ill.

- If your child is not very well, they will not be fully fit to learn and may pass on their illness to others.
- Exclusion times for common illness are included at the back of the prospectus.
- Please ring school before 9.30am to inform us of sickness absence.



Key Information:

- Please let us know if someone other than yourself will be collecting your child from Nursery.
- **For the safety of all children at Dane Royd we ask parents to shut the green school gate after entering the premises.** To gain access to Nursery please press the appropriate button. When dropping off and picking up your child please wait for the gate to be opened by Nursery staff, this will happen at an appropriate time regulated by staff.
- Parents/Carers **must not use cameras and mobile telephones** on the premises.
- Please ring immediately if you are unable to pick up your child at the allotted time due to an unforeseen circumstance, and we will ensure that they are kept safe until your arrival.
- Please inform us when your child is going to be absent or you have organised a holiday during term time.
- All Policies are available for you to look at. Copies will be made if requested. These include: *The Early Years Foundation Stage. Special Needs. Assessment. Behaviour. Safeguarding, Health, Safety and Hygiene.*



Useful Information:

Before & After-school provision



- We have provision on site for before and after school care for children of working parents.
- Open from 7:30am – 6:00pm
- Hot breakfast is provided in the morning and children staying until later in the day may bring a pack-up to eat in the afternoon session.
- Run by trained school staff and provides a wealth of activities to keep the children entertained.
- Please speak to Extended Schools Manager, Mrs Beddard, to discuss your requirements and rates or visit the school website for further details: <https://www.daneroyd.com/extended-schools>

Useful Information:

Uniform



All children are required to wear school uniform.

- **grey trousers, shorts, culottes, pinafore or skirt**
- **white polo-shirt**
- **bottle green jumper or cardigan.**
- **green and white checked summer dress can also be worn in warmer months.**

Children should wear **black school shoes** and velcro fastenings are advised. Girls should not wear dainty slip-on footwear, shoes must have ankle straps for safety purposes.

Please label all uniform, bags and shoes clearly.



Useful Information:



Appropriate outdoor wear



- Since we utilise our outdoor area all year round, we ask that warm coats are provided in cold weather along with hats, scarfs and gloves.
- Wellies are required that will stay in school.
- During summer months, please apply sun-cream to your child in the morning/afternoon before they arrive at school.
- This can be topped up during the day if the child can apply it themselves, and only from a named bottle of sun-cream that you supply.
- Please also send your child with a sun hat if the sun is shining.

Please clearly label all items of clothing!



Self-help skills:



Toileting:

Children are expected to be clean and dry before they start Nursery. It will also help the Nursery staff if your child is able to go to the toilet independently and deal with their own clothes, wipe themselves, flush the toilet and wash their own hands.

Accidents do happen and we are prepared for this and have a supply of spare clothes, which we would ask you to wash and return to Nursery.

Dressing:

During the early days at Nursery it would be helpful if clothing can be easily unfastened/fastened by your child e.g. Velcro fastenings. It is advisable to use trousers with elasticated waistbands for ease of pulling up and down, having Velcro shoes for when your child changes in to their wellies.

Children are expected to put on and take off their own coat; staff will help them to fasten/unfasten buttons and zips but children will soon be encouraged to do this for themselves. Practicing these skills at home can help support your child with independence.

Useful Information:

Library



- Every Friday we invite parents to choose a book with their children from our Library service to share at home.
- Each child is given a library bag to keep their book in.
- Book/Bag should be returned at the start of the following week to be eligible for a new book on Friday.
- If you lose your library bag, a new one can be purchased for £1 and lost library books will be billed.

Every Friday we will open early for our morning Nursery children at 11:30am so you have time to select a book together.

Afternoon children will select their book at the start of the afternoon session.

Milk & Snack:

As part of a national School Fruit & Vegetable scheme, all children in Nursery are entitled to receive one free piece of fruit/vegetable each day. Please note, we are provided with seasonal produce and at least 2 options for the children to select from. We respectfully ask that you do not send your own snacks into school for your child. It is important that you make the school team aware of any food allergies so that we can ensure the safety of all children.



Please ensure that your child brings a named water bottle from home each day that is only filled with plain water.



Lunchtime: (only Wraparound children)

For those who are using our Wraparound facility, lunchtime runs from 11.45am-12.15pm.

Our meal provider is **ISS** and parents are able to **view the menus online and pre-select your child's meal option in advance** from the comfort of your own home using the [Feeding Hungry Minds](#) website. Every day there is a choice of nutritious main meals - including a vegetarian option - and a hot and cold dessert. The lunch menu also includes a sandwich option. The menu runs on a three-weekly cycle.

We strongly encourage children to purchase a school meal, however children may bring a packed lunch that meets the healthy eating requirements specified in our policy.

Children requiring a special diet are individually catered for. Please request an dietary form from the office if you think your child may need a special diet.



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Sharing Information:

- **We encourage parents to share information with Nursery Staff regarding your child's learning and change in routines of home circumstances.** Feel free to ask questions and discuss your child at the start of sessions, meetings can be made with the teacher if requested. The school also offers two parent consultation evenings a year where your child's progress will be discussed.
- We have a **Home-School Link Board** where we ask parents to share some of the learning and achievements that have happened at home. We have forms you can fill in or simply bring pictures, work or certificates for us to display. Examples could include swimming certificates, medals, and pictures of special events or achievements/skills where your child has succeeded.

Early Days:

- New children start Nursery towards the end of the first week of term, so existing children have time to settle back in.
- Staff will build a close and trusting relationship with your child and ensure that s/he feels secure, confident, and a valued individual.

Please do not hesitate to phone school should you be worried about leaving your child if they are upset; remember, all children are different, but all children do settle and staff are very experienced at helping children adjust to Nursery.



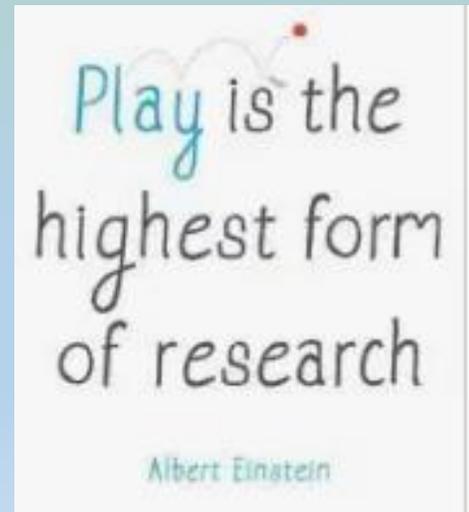
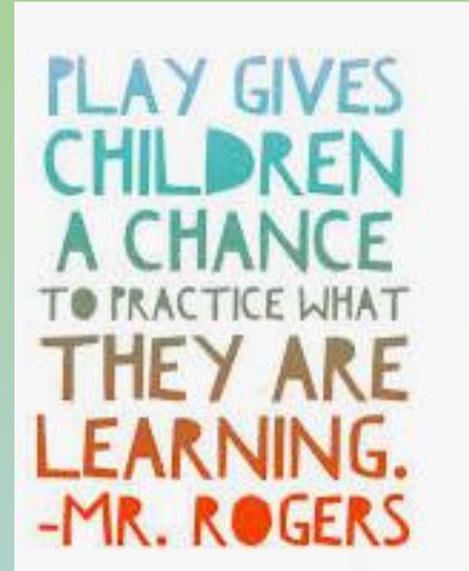
Learning & development:

Provision for children's learning and development is facilitated through a balanced, planned curriculum underpinned by the Department for Education's Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage and Development Matters document (Non-Statutory Curriculum Guidance).

The Early Years Foundation Stage is the period of education from birth to 5. It is called a Foundation Stage because the learning involved in the EYFS prepares children for the National Curriculum in Key Stage 1.

During the Early Years Foundation Stage, these areas of learning will be introduced in ways that are suitable for young children, most often through planned, purposeful play. Play is the key to the way children learn. We want all children in Nursery to have enjoyable and satisfying experiences, which will create a solid basis for later learning in school and beyond.

We will provide further insight into learning & development during a Curriculum Meeting in Autumn Term.



Assessment:



- The activities provided in Nursery are carefully planned and resourced to provide experiences which are enjoyable, educational and match the level of development and learning style of each child, we plan themes and topics relating to these each half term.
- Progress made by the Nursery children is evaluated through daily observations and occasional focused assessments.
- Through regular assessment we can respond to each child's individual needs and develop new plans to ensure personalised progress.

The Dane Royd Foundation Stage team is using **profile building software** that allows us to track an individual's progress. Within this process, photo evidence is used to support observations and at times group work will be observed; this will mean that profiles may contain photographic evidence containing other members of the class.

- We request your permission for the photographs of group work to be shared in profile reports that belong to other children within that group.
- We also ask you not to share or distribute any profiles containing images of other children.
- If you do not give permission for this, please inform the Nursery teachers as soon as possible.
- If one or more children do not have permission for their photos to be shared, then we can not share any profiles with you due to safeguarding reasons.



Useful Information

- We send out curriculum booklets every half-term with useful dates including class assemblies, educational visits and whole school events.
- Homework is sent out each half term which is optional to complete.
- You can also stay up to date by following our feed on Twitter @DaneRoydNursery.

