

St. Herbert's RC Primary School Information Booklet



Introduction

Dear Parents,

Welcome to St. Herbert's RC Primary School. You and your child are starting a new world which is very exciting though sometimes a little worrying. In St. Herbert's Nursery we aim to ensure that all children enjoy learning in a warm and friendly environment where they feel safe, valued, happy and confident. Our nursery provides a very good learning and socialising experience for the children. The children learn continuously through structured play and enjoy different topics throughout the year. We know that your child will develop and be well prepared to start in the Reception Class after a year with us.

Our booklet is an introduction for you and your child. When you come on your visits we hope the you will get some idea of what a unique experience our nursery will offer your child.

If you have ANY questions do not hesitate to ask.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs S. Milligan

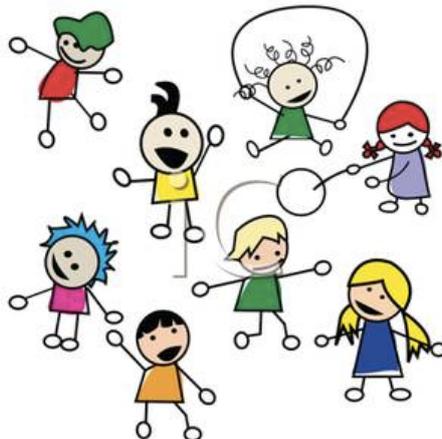


General Information

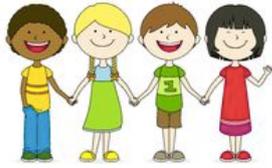
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Nursery Times

Full time:	8.50am - 3.00pm
Morning session:	8.50am - 11.50am
Afternoon session:	12.00pm - 3.00pm



Settling in



We have a staggered entry for new nursery children. This means that the children start in small groups and we have more time to welcome and get to know each child.

If your child is distressed, please do not worry. You are welcome to stay for part of the session, although it is advisable to reduce the time you stay over the first few days.

From experience we have found that the children usually settle in very quickly. However, if you are worried please do not hesitate to telephone the school for reassurance that your child is settled and happy.

How can you help?



Please ensure that you bring and pick up your child at the correct time as he/she will settle more quickly when there is a familiar routine.

If, for any reason, you are delayed picking up your child please inform the school.

Please inform the nursery staff if someone else is collecting your child.

Please ensure that we always have the correct contact details in the case of an emergency.

Encourage your child to dress and undress themselves.

Talk to your child about his/her day.

Encourage an interest in books and share reading with your child every day.

Toilet training

Please try to ensure that your child is toilet trained before coming to the nursery. If there is a problem, please let us know.

Medicines

If your child is taking any medication please discuss this with the nursery staff.

Toys from home

Please do not let your child bring toys or valuable items from home, unless requested by the teacher for a specific purpose.



Absences

If your child is absent please let the school know the reason for the absence.

Snack time



During the day, children will receive a drink of milk or water and fruit. Please do not send your child into the nursery with snacks from home and inform the nursery staff if your child has any food allergies.

Birthdays



We love to celebrate each child's birthday, but as part of our 'Healthy School' status we ask that you do not send in sweets or confectionery to share with the children. When it is a child's birthday, parents often buy a book for the class to celebrate the occasion. This is very much appreciated. Children may wear their own clothes on their birthday.

Clothing

Many of the activities in the nursery involve messy materials such as glue, paint, clay etc. Aprons are provided but accidents do happen. Please appreciate that your child may get messy.

The nursery uniform consists of a white polo t-shirt, grey trousers, pinafore dress or skirt and a nursery sweatshirt. Girls may wear a green and white gingham summer dress. All uniform is available from 'Top Form' in Oldham. Black, sensible shoes must be worn. Velcro fastenings or buckles are easier for young children to manage.

Your child will have access to outdoor provision on a daily basis. Please ensure that they have waterproof clothes and wellies in school at all times. In hot, sunny weather it is essential that your child has a sun hat. Please ensure that sun cream is applied before your child comes into the nursery. We do have 'Boots' own sun cream in school if further applications are necessary. You will be given a consent form to sign before staff apply cream to your child.



Please label **ALL** your child's clothing and belongings.

In closing

Your child will be given many new experiences during their Nursery Year. Some of these will be challenging and may cause a small amount of upheaval, as your child adjusts to meet the challenges. We want to assure you that this is only natural and that, eventually, given time and a sense of security from yourselves and the nursery staff, you will be amazed to see how much your child develops.

