





Headteacher-Mrs Hall

Assistant Headteacher-Miss Stroud

Pastoral lead-Ms Harris

SENCO-Mrs Linscott

(All of these adults are on the safeguarding team)

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Who are we…



Mrs Beshirian
Class Teacher



Mrs Graham-Leigh
Lead Educator

When starting Nursery at Whiteheath

- Please bring your child on time to the Nursery door at your allocated time.
- Please do not enter the classroom as it may make the settling process for them a little tricker.
- Your child will be settled into Nursery by our lovely team – lots of smiles, friendly faces and excellent care to ensure they have the best possible start.
- Rest assured, if there are any problems, we will be the first to contact you – no contact means there is nothing to worry about ☺
- Never hesitate to speak to a member of staff if you have any questions or concerns.
- Every single child will cope settling into Nursery differently - some children take longer, others instant. We are an excellent team with our main aim of creating a safe, fun and nurturing environment for your children to thrive in.
- **Please do not bring in a toys from home.**

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Sessions



AM – 15 hours	PM – 15 hours	Full day - 30 hours
08:35 – 11:35	12:25 – 15:25	08:35 – 14:35
Dismissal Via Courtyard		Optional payable extended hours to 15:25

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Session Routine



Activity
Arrival
Belongings away Free play
Morning carpet session & welcome songs
Teaching focus – 5 minutes Independent exploration – indoors & outdoors
Tidy up
Snack
Phonics/Speaking and Listening activity
Teaching focus – 5 minutes Indoor and outdoor exploration time
Tidy up time
Story time
Coats and bags – Ready for dismissal

30 Hours Children

- You must provide your child with a healthy and balanced packed lunch.
- We are a NUT FREE SCHOOL – Please ensure there are no nuts in your child's lunch or snacks.
- Teach your child how to open their boxes before starting school – this helps promote independence.
- Any dietary requirements must be communicated to the school prior to their start date.
- The school will be providing milk from cool milk if registered (free until 5 years) and fruit to the children. No other snacks to provided from parents.

Register here: https://customers.coolmilk.com/V2/register/

- Water bottle – labelled with their name – easy for them to access independently – water ONLY
- Round fruits and vegetables e.g. grapes, blueberries and olives MUST be cut into long thin slices to avoid chocking hazards.









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On the first day of school, please bring…

- Water bottle – bring in daily and take home daily
- A packed lunch if your child is staying
- Pair of wellingtons labelled – to keep in school
- You do not need to send spare clothes into school unless your child is 2 and is toilet training. If your child ever needs changing during the day, we will use our school spare clothes so they are clean and comfortable.
- If your child does come home in school clothes, please wash and return them as soon as possible so we can keep our supplies topped up.





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Pick-up and drop-off



- Please ensure your child arrives to school on time every single day. This helps with their routine, transition and ensures they do not miss on their learning.
- Unexpected delay – school must be informed
- Child is absent – school must be informed and reasoning why
- Different adult collecting your child – School must be told in writing or in person to class teacher.
- Your child will not be allowed to go home with an unfamiliar face.
- Please ensure you have filled in a permission form for collection in your individual meetings.
- Breakfast and Afterschool club both take place in the school hall.
- Pick-up and drop-off from the main School Reception.
- Please contact school office for wrap around care.
- Breakfast and Afterschool clubs – based and decided on each individual child, how they settle and if they are ready.

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Clothing 

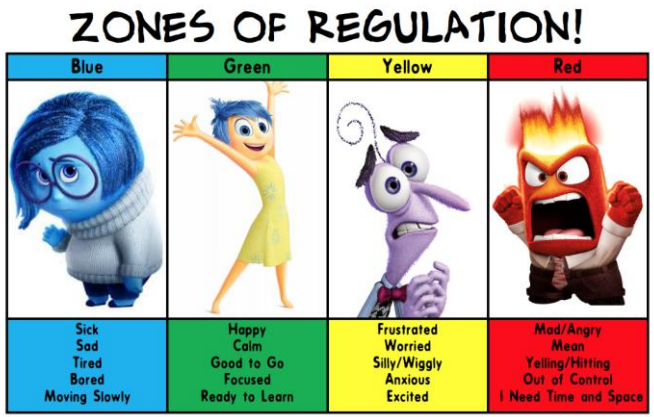
- Your child must come to school in their school uniform.
  - Green sweatshirt or cardigan
  - White T-shirt/top
  - Black/grey tracksuit bottoms/trousers or leggings
- Easy for your child to manage – no buttons, zips, buckles etc.
- ALL items of clothing must be labelled
- Shoes – no laces, open toe, heels, buckles etc.
  - Slip on or Velcro shoes only
  - Black trainers only
  - child's name labelled inside of shoe
- No jewellery – for health and safety and prevention of loss
- Earrings must be stud ONLY
- No sunglasses – only prescribed

Behaviour and Expectations



- We aim high – high expectations
- Modelling positive behaviours to the children and talking out loud
- Verbal reminders about positive behaviour
- Using Zones of regulation and thinking time
- Rewards include lots of stickers and praise.
- Phone call/meeting with parent/carers to work in partnership

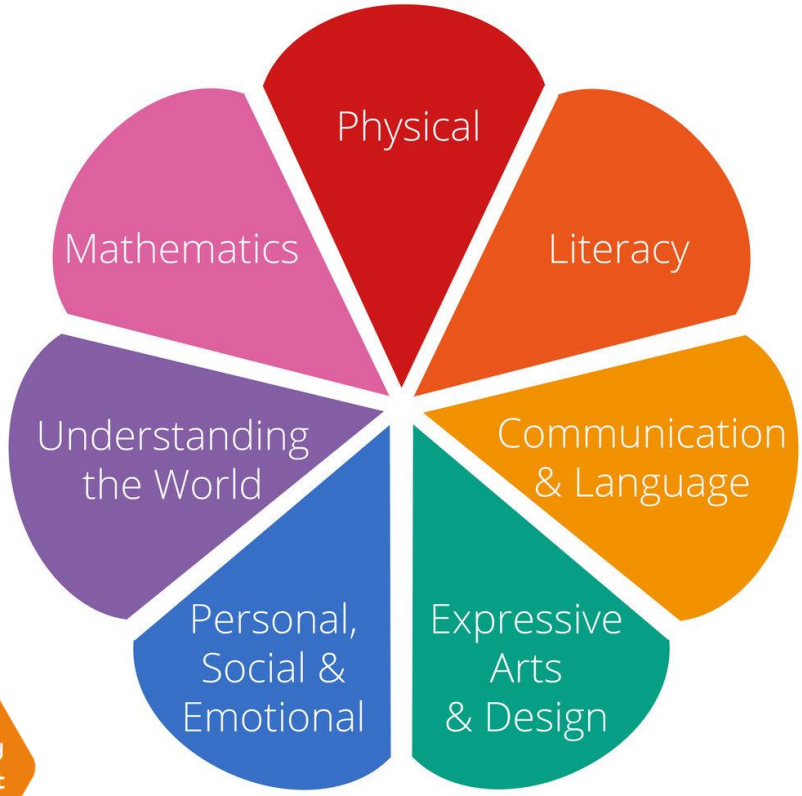
1. ***Kind words, kind hands, kind feet***
2. ***Listen when others are talking***
3. ***Treat everyone and everything with respect***
4. ***Be sensible and polite***
5. ***Always walk in school***

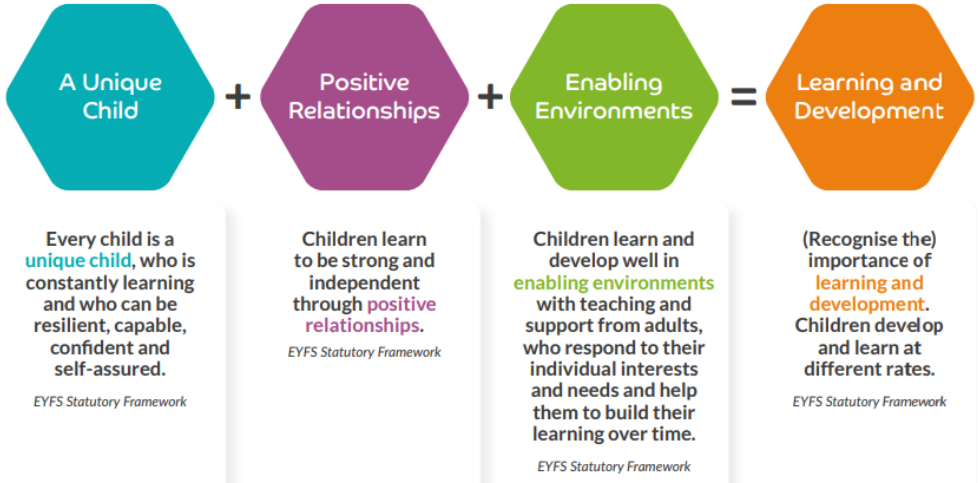


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Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum (EYFS)

ClassDojo





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Dimensions Explorers Themes



We use Dimensions 'Learning Means the World' Curriculum as the main vehicle for achieving our outlined intent, with a view to providing an ambitious, connected, relatable curriculum offer.

This curriculum is underpinned by four highly relevant world issues, known as the four Cs:-

- **Culture**
- **Communication**
- **Conflict**
- **Conservation**

	Nursery
Theme 1 03.09.26 – 26.10.26	**'Tell Us a Story'** *Well-Known Stories*
EY Additional Unit 03.11.26 – 20.11.26	**'Over the Rainbow'**
EY Additional Unit 23.11.26 – 18.12.26 (14.12.26 -18.12.26 – Christmas Focus)	**'Come and Join the Celebration'**
Theme 2 04.01.27 – 12.02.27	**'Let's Play!'** *Toys and Games*
Theme 3 22.02.27 - 25.03.27	**'Under the Sea'** *Stories of Friendship*
EY Additional Unit 12.04.27 - 30.04.27	**'Humpty and Friends'**
EY Additional Unit 03.05.27 – 28.05.27	**'If You Go Down to the Woods...'**
Theme 4 07.06.27 – 22.07.27	**'What On Earth...?'** *Showing Respect for Our World*

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Medical 

- We have members of nursery staff who are qualified first aiders (paediatric).
- Sickness- follow school medical policy/ procedures.
- Medical conditions – please make us aware (allergies, asthma, etc)
- Asthma – 1 pump needed in school (classroom). We also ask parents to complete an Emergency inhaler permission form, which allows us to use the school's emergency inhaler if it is ever needed.
- Allergies- 2 EpiPen for the classroom
- Bumps and injuries – A note will go home for bumps and accidents that have needed treatment.
- A head bump – you will receive a phone call
- No lip salves or sun cream in school
- Only prescribed medicine can be administered in school- please hand this into a member of Nursery team . No Calpol before school.

Home & School Partnership



- **1st meeting:** End of the first half term- discuss how your child has settled.
- **2nd meeting:** During the spring term- discuss your child's progress.
- In the summer term you will receive an end of year report.
- Class Dojo – these are used to create the children's profiles – they include observations, photos, videos of what children do in class and their progress.
- During settling in time, we will be assessing all the children within the prime areas against age related expectations- BASELINE
- Emails from school office
- Weekly Newsletters
- *Important* - Please always update your contact details
- Tell us if there is a significant change in your child's home life

Naps, Toilet

- 2 year olds – nap area available for them
- Toileting expectations - 3-year-olds to be toilet trained & 2-year-olds in the process of toilet training
- Children with identified SEND may still require nappies –nappies and wipes to be provided by parents/carers.
- Encourage your child to regularly use the toilet from now until September.
- Our team will be there to help them with accidents.

Pampers - https://www.pampers.com/en-us/toddler/potty-training/article/potty-training-tips-step-by-step-potty-training

NHS - https://www.wchc.nhs.uk/children-young-people/parents-carers/continence-support-under-5-years/toilet-training/

Gov.uk - https://help-for-early-years-providers.education.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/toilet-training

Transition morning

Your child's transition session will take place on **either 3rd July or 7th July**, from **9:15–10:30am**. Please check your letter to confirm which date your child has been allocated.

During this session, children will stay and play in Nursery to get to know the environment and staff. Please drop your child at the Nursery door at 9:15am and collect them at 10:30am.

What to bring

- A water bottle
- No bags needed

What to wear

Comfy, easy-to-manage clothes that your child can use the toilet in independently.

Throughout the session

WISA, our parent–teacher association, will be in the courtyard offering drinks and selling second-hand uniform.

If you have not yet attended your individual meeting and your child has medical needs, please go to the school office on arrival to complete a medication form before dropping your child at the Nursery door.

We can't wait to welcome you and your children to their transition session.

Early Reading

- Story telling is one of the great joys of young children.
- The more we read to them, the more words they hear and understand.
- Books broaden children's vocabulary and provide them with an understanding of sentence structure and the world around them.
- Children should be read to many times every day – helps with their development and love for stories and books – life long skill
- Make it fun – use different tones, voices, facial expressions
- 90% of children's development happens before the age of five. *'NHS'*

Reading feeds the imagination, it expands horizons and offers new and exciting ways of seeing and making sense of our lives and of the world around us.

Michael Morpurgo

Teach a child to read and keep that child reading and we will change everything.

And I mean everything.

Jeanette Winterson

Preparing your child for September

- Encourage your child to feed themselves.
- Teach them basic dressing skills e.g. pulling up trousers & underwear, putting on coat and fastening Velcro on shoes.
- Teaching them to use toilet independently – encouraging cleaning and washing hands.
- Teach your child to tidy-up toys after themselves.
- Model positive behaviour and how to manage feelings – e.g. "I am feeling very happy because Anna listened and put the toys back in the basket". Always read! – before bed, to calm them down, when transitioning and any other time.
- Help develop fine and gross motor skills – playdough, colouring in, water & sand play, using fork and spoons, throw and catch, balance bikes, climbing frame.
- Talk to them about starting Nursery at Whiteheath and discuss how they are feeling about it

Useful Links & Donations

What to expect when document

https://foundationyears.org.uk/files/2021/09/What-to-expect-in-the-EYFS-complete-FINAL-16.09-compressed.pdf

Development matters in the Early Years Foundation Stage

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/64e6002a20ae890014f26cbc/DfE_Development_Matters_Report_Sep2023.pdf



- Only clean packaging
- No nuts
- Mostly cardboard
- Small items of plastic e.g. yogurt pots

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Thank you!

See you in September!

Please note - there will be further updates and information sent to you by e-mail and ClassDojo.



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