



New to Nursery FAQ's

Thanks for coming to our Zoom meeting, here is an outline of the questions (and the answers) for those who couldn't make it or had trouble with their sound.

Nursery team

Miss Ellis-Hall - Teacher
Mrs Pope – Nursery LSA
Mrs Argyrides- Nursery LSA

Questions

- **Main one – COVID in September -What's the plan? Are there safety measures in place? Will the settling process be different? Will they have resources?**
 - Nursery and Reception are Cuffley's priority for returning in September. However, we won't know exactly what this looks like until we receive more news from the Government. We will let you know via email, Twitter and/or Facebook in a timely manner when we know any extra details we haven't already shared.
 - We're very resourceful with what we have and have taught an entire term without being in school! We also have minimal resources at the moment and children are still learning and having fun so no matter what we have, we will make sure that is it enjoyable for the children.
 - You will be receiving a transition pack in the post for over the summer to help with transitions. REMEMBER as big and worrying as it seems for us at this point, the children haven't experienced this before so have nothing to base their worry on. Try to keep calm and talk about how exciting it will be so that your child knows it is a safe place and that you are happy for it to be a place they can go safely!

- **What is the outside space for Nursery and how often do they go outside?**
 - Children have access to the outdoor area all day, every day and can free flow in and out as much as they please. We also have a forest school session at least once a week and aim to be outside as much as possible.

- **How many children are in the Nursery?**
 - There are 30 in the morning session and it is variable in the afternoon (roughly around 24) due to the number of children who are paying for extra provision and those who join us for the afternoon session.

- **Dinner money**
 - Cuffley is a Cashless school
 - We ask for payment a term in advance for those who are having dinners– You will be sent an email to set up School comms which is an app we use for payment. Dinner is charged at £2 a day.

- **Do Nursery AM/PM children get to eat lunch**
 - Children who have a place in the morning or afternoon session won't be able to have lunch at school, although they will have access to fruit, milk and water throughout their session so they can have a snack and a drink whenever they need to.

- **What if children hurt themselves or upset how do you console them?**
 - Distraction tactics! – We're very good at these
 - This is very individual for each child so we will adapt what we do, depending on what they need and when they need it.
 - Console but in a way that's safe and appropriate but also not clinical!
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- **Home visits- more info please!**
 - We will send out an email inviting you to book your home visit. It will be in July and you will sign up like you did for this event, on Eventbrite (PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL IF YOU HAVE ISSUES WITH THIS!) Home visits on Zoom will be a 20 minute slot. We will ask you to join zoom 5 minutes before into the waiting room and we will add you in when it is your time.
 - If you have any extra questions we will be happy to answer these on the call.

- **Free childcare code**
 - We will send an email next week on how to do this, please email back your code when you have it – This code works termly so if we don't have your 30 hour code, you won't be able to claim the extra hours you are entitled to (unless you pay for them) until January 2021.

Thank you for returning your forms and for joining us on Zoom, we look forward to meeting you on home visit zooms and in September.

If you have any other questions, please email admin@cuffley.herts.sch.uk

Wishing you all a safe and restful summer break.

Mrs Wing, Miss Ellis-Hall and the Nursery team.