

NORTH EALING NURSERY

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**Working & Learning
Together**

“North Ealing works inclusively with our families to maximise the learning potential of all children in our community”

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North Ealing Nursery is an integral part of North Ealing Primary School. The Nursery is organised into two sessions. Morning session children attend in the mornings from 8.45 to 11.45 a.m. and afternoon session children attend from 12.15 - 3.15 p.m. The doors open at 11.40am and 3.10 p.m. (to allow parents time to pick up their nursery child before older siblings). Please collect your child promptly from the morning session as we only have a 15 minute turnaround.

All children follow the same curriculum and all staff work together on daily planning and assessment.

SETTLING IN

We offer a taster session when staff can explain the routines of the nursery and answer questions. It is an opportunity for the children to explore and become familiar with staff.

It is our policy to settle children into the Nursery according to their individual needs. To enable a smooth transition to independence, your child must become familiar and happy with her/his new surroundings and you must be confident with all those caring for your child. We would, therefore, suggest that a parent be available to stay with the child during the first session, if necessary. After this, each child's needs can be discussed and catered for.

DRESS

Boys and Girls: Navy blue school logo sweatshirt, navy tracksuit trousers, white polo shirt. Sensible, dark coloured school shoes or black trainers

SNACKS

We provide a variety of fruit or vegetables from The School Fruit & Vegetable Scheme. Children will need to bring in a named bottle of water. Milk is provided.

CURRICULUM

The classroom and outside learning environment are organised to provide a range of activities following the revised Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum. There are seven areas of learning and development. All areas of learning and development are important and inter-connected. Three areas are particularly crucial for igniting children's curiosity and enthusiasm for learning, and for building their capacity to learn, form relationships and thrive. These three areas, the *prime* areas, are

- communication and language;
- physical development; and
- personal, social and emotional development.

We also support children in four *specific* areas, through which the three prime areas are strengthened and applied. The specific areas are:

- literacy;
- mathematics;
- understanding the world; and
- expressive arts and design.

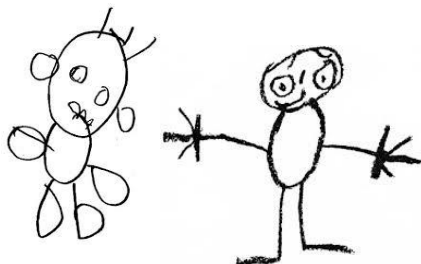
Children learn through play which is a natural activity for young children. We use play as a means of extending skills, interests and experiences. To a young child “play” is “work” and we value their early attempts at all activities. Everything we do provides a base for future learning. At Nursery, it is the process we value, not producing an end product.

All Nursery children need to have had a rich variety of experiences and to have accumulated as wide a vocabulary as possible and clear speech. Learning to read and write follows on from the development of these skills. Pre-reading, Writing and Mathematical concepts are developed through practical activities - sorting, cooking, sand play, water play, construction toys and role play etc..

Our curriculum will be based on various themes, books and children’s interests. These will include activities to develop your child socially, emotionally, intellectually, physically and creatively. We also foster child initiated play and interests.

PUNCTUALITY

It is really important that children arrive on time to Nursery every day and are collected promptly.



TERM-TIME LEAVE

With regret, we will not be able to authorise in term leave unless there are exceptional circumstances. Your child is not ***compulsory school age*** but attendance is monitored by the Local Authority and the school. We expect your child to attend 5 Nursery sessions per week and therefore prolonged absence may result in your place being withdrawn.

If you cannot avoid taking leave then please write to Mrs Flowers before taking your holiday.

ILLNESS

Once your child has started in the Nursery, we do expect regular attendance. However, please keep her/him at home if s/he is ill. Young children who are feeling unwell are miserable at school and cannot cope with the activities. Please call the school office 0208 997 2653 or email admin@northealing.ealing.sch.uk to advise us when your child is unwell.

Please keep us up to date with your phone number so that we can contact you if the need arises.

NURSERY FUND

We ask for a voluntary contribution of £5 per half term. This covers topical resources, cooking ingredients, seeds for planting, flour for playdough, etc., as well as larger items for the Nursery.

Finally, we ask that children are fully toilet-trained and out of nappies before starting in the Nursery. Please come and speak to the school if you are concerned.

North Ealing Children's Centre

The Children's Centre offers stay and play sessions. Further information can be found by visiting the school website.

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