



WESTERN PRIMARY NURSERY

2 YEAR OLDS
PARENT INFORMATION

TEACHER LED PROVISION

Western
Primary School
CREATING SUCCESS STORIES







Welcome to Western Nursery

At Western we provide a secure, safe and happy environment in which children can make the most of their abilities and talents as they grow up. Our nursery is run by trained teachers and fully qualified staff.

We are very excited to introduce you to our two year old provision within the Western Primary School community.

The two year old room will give the children an opportunity to explore all their areas of development, from communication and language to gross motor co-ordination, through the aspects of play.

Green Room



The two year old nursery is situated in the Green Room next to the Reception classes. Each room has access to our own dedicated early years play area.

We believe that outside play is a very important part of children's learning and development and the activities we offer will encourage the children to explore



the dedicated outside area.

By encouraging the children to be independent in their choices, they use the setting how they wish to learn and develop.





A Typical Day

A typical day begins with 'meet and greet' with you and your child being welcomed by the staff team. Once settled, your child will enjoy a range of carefully planned learning opportunities and experiences.

When planning our environment, we focus on how to support the areas of development and link this to the children's play.

We think about different levels within the environment to provide the children with a range of physical challenges. For example, floor play gives the children an opportunity to spread out, sitting, lying, kneeling as they desire. Coffee-table height play allows the children to kneel and explore objects both on the floor and raised up. Table height play allows the children to stand when playing and exploring, giving them better control with what they are using such as playdough.

Fresh fruit or vegetables are on offer for children to eat throughout the day and milk or water is offered every morning at around 10am.



We ask that children bring their own named water bottles so they can help





themselves as they wish.



We have a circle time each day where we sing together and read stories. We also use this time to chat together and share our news.

Lunch is served in the classroom. Children can have a hot school lunch or bring a packed lunch from home.

After a busy morning and lunch, there is a quiet time when children can rest in a cosy area or access table-top activities.



The afternoon is another round of exciting learning opportunities both indoors and out. The day ends with stories and songs. As children are collected, staff are happy to discuss the events of the day with you.

SLEEP:





Most two year olds need a nap during the day. We have a cosy area within the room where they can sleep as long as needed. As your child grows and sleep is needed less, we will liaise with you as to your wishes.

TOILET TRAINING:

Most children will move out of nappies between the ages of 2 and 3; as a setting we will work closely with you as parents and carers to work with your child's own timetable.

If your child is sick



Please notify us if your child is ill and unable to attend Nursery.

If your child becomes ill during a session or has an accident (other than minor bumps or grazes etc.), we will contact you to come and collect him/her. It is important, therefore, that you keep us updated of any changes to contact numbers or personal circumstances.

When young children play together, small accidents sometimes occur. Minor bumps and bruises, cuts etc. are dealt with by members of staff and your child will be comforted and reassured. All our staff have completed extensive paediatric first aid training.

If your child develops an infection at home, your child should not attend Nursery until he/she is clear of the infection and in line with the school's policy.





Any medication your child requires must not be left in your child's bag or given to Nursery staff. You will be asked to visit the school office to sign a medication form with clear instructions of when the medication is to be administered.

What to bring to Nursery

Please try to help your child be as independent as possible with dressing. Send them in comfortable, practical clothing and Velcro fastening shoes where possible.

Please supply nappies and cream (if used) and wipes if your child uses a specific brand.

A change of clothes should be supplied for all children. Outdoor clothing, including footwear, should be labelled clearly with your child's name as children often have the same items and this can cause problems if they get them mixed up; use a bag clearly marked with the child's name, a marker pen is quite suitable, you do not need to purchase special "school" labels.

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Children should always bring a coat as the weather is so unpredictable. Named Wellington boots can be left in nursery in the labelled





boxes.



During the summer please can children bring a named sun hat and sun cream.



Settling in

Our experienced staff work in partnership with parents and carers to ensure that each child settles into the nursery smoothly, and as gently as possible.

Our aim is to welcome the family into our caring and stimulating environment and to have a sense of belonging.

If your child has a special toy you think would help with settling in, we would encourage you to let your child bring it with them. At this age it is comforting to have something familiar with them at all times.

We recognise that this can also be a difficult time for parents and carers; our staff are there to support and reassure you too.

Children are individuals, and because of this, we have a flexible approach to 'settling in'!

Prior to starting Western Nursery, we will arrange for members of our staff to





carry out a home visit. You will be contacted by the school office with a selection of dates and times.

Two members of staff will visit you at home to meet you and your child. Following this, we will arrange a stay and play session so you can visit our school and classroom setting with your child. You will be invited to stay with your child to give you an opportunity to meet other parents and ask any questions you may have.

Mumbler Award Testimonials

“Western Primary school offers a superb nursery facility run by qualified teachers. Children enjoy attending Western and taking part in children’s activities which are topic led by the children and teacher led too. Western uses the surrounding area to its fullest, taking advantage of nearby Valley Gardens.”

“Amazing supportive staff, my grandchildren love it there.”

“Great teachers, happy children, always welcoming. Can’t fault it!”

“The staff are dedicated to the care of the children and have a wonderful team spirit.”

“The Early Years Team are a real inspiration and offer a really special introduction to school for the young children. Led by fully qualified teachers, the transition to Reception seems seamless. My daughter skips into school every Wednesday.”





“Friendly staff and happy children; wonderful learning opportunities.”

“Great staff who prepare children for school.”

“An amazing facility for children aged from three to starting school age in an environment with structure and care.”

“Enthusiastic team. Very engaging with the children. A real home from home and relaxed atmosphere.”

“Lovely staff, great teacher, community feel, lovely!”



Toddler Group testimonials

Western also offer two Toddler Group activity sessions, which are held every Wednesday and Friday 9.30—10.45am.

Please check the Western website for updates of classes and activities offered to Parents and Tots.

These are a few comments from our attendees:

“Western Toddler Group is a fun facility utilised by parents in the area. It offers support to parents and a networking group for new mums.”

“Western Toddler Group offers advice, coffee and a chat plus





activities for children to meet others and have some fun. A great class.”

“Excellent organisation, great staff - Clare is amazing!!!”

“Friendly, nice activities.”

“Welcoming, good sense of community, friendly.”

“Fun, friendly and supportive.”

“Friendly, informal, supportive of me when I was new to the area.”

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Please contact the school office should you require any further information.

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