



Crosshall
Infant, Nursery and
Kids Club

Welcome to Crosshall Nursery



Information Booklet

Let's explore Nursery and find out what happens every day!

This is the school playground where you can run around, ride the bikes, play on our slide, in the sandpit and chat to your friends.



When you arrive at Nursery you will come in through the one of the gates and wait on the playground. One of the teachers will open the door to Nursery. Then you will say 'Goodbye' to your grown up and come into the Nursery classroom.

We politely ask that you do not play on the equipment that is set out for the Nursery session.

Hang your coat on your peg, it will have your name on it.

Put your bag in the box for your colour group and your water bottle in the crate.

Find your name card and put it on the board so we know you are here.



If you are using Kids Club before Nursery and after the Nursery session the staff will take and collect the children.

Choosing outside activities at Nursery

In the outside play area there are lots of activities to choose everyday.



There is lots of space for you to ride bikes and scooters, slide down our blue slide as well as a mud kitchen to make mud pies. We have a huge sand pit with lots of space to dig and build and exciting opportunities for water play. We have lots of opportunities for a variety of role play over the year too.



We love to investigate the natural world; whether digging in the mud, looking for worms or investigating how ice melts.



The outside area is open every day. Please remember to wear clothes that are suitable for the unpredictable British weather!.

Choosing inside activities at Nursery



There is lots to choose to do inside too. We have a large classroom with easels for painting, sand and water trays. You can make a model at the creation station. There is also a writing area and book corner. We have a role play house where you can pretend to make cups of tea, yummy dinners and look after the babies.



More choosing inside activities

There is also a construction area with lots of wooden bricks for building castles, towers, houses and space ships. You can add in cars, people or animals to make your construction even more exciting.



Or you might choose to use the Playdough. We have lots of cutters, rolling pins and tools for you to use.



On the other tables you will find games and activities for you to explore. Every day there are lots of fun activities to enjoy.



Magic Garden



We love to visit the Magic Garden. This is an extension of our outdoor learning where we enjoy gathering sticks and leaves, making dens, and blowing dandelion clocks. You could use twigs to write, draw in mud and count bugs..



There are lots of opportunities to get muddy while we dig and delve in the mud and explore water.



Cultural Capital Activities



In Nursery we recognise the uniqueness of every child. We aim to celebrate, acknowledge and build on the children's knowledge, experiences and interests, while, at the same time provide new opportunities and experiences to challenge, expand and increase children's knowledge, understanding and skills.

Some of the activities we will share with you include cooking, sewing, dress up days, Grandparents Day and a visit from Ark Farm.



We are looking forward to sharing these experiences with you too.

Toilets

This is where you will be able to go to the toilet. An adult will always help you, when you ask for help.

If you have an accident at Nursery an adult will help you change into clean clothes. We have spare clothes but if you prefer your own please keep a spare set in your book bag.



Eating and drinking



We wash our hands before our snack and lunch. This way we get rid of any germs so we can stay fit and healthy.

During the Nursery session there will be time for a healthy snack. Please provide this from home in a named box or bag. An adult will supervise the snack. You can have a drink from your water bottle at any time.



If you are staying for a school dinner we will go over to the main Infant School dining hall. There will be lots of grown-ups to help you if you need it. The school dinners are very tasty and nutritious.

School Dinners

If you are staying for a school dinner we go over to eat in the main school hall.



We sit on our own table and members of the Nursery staff will help you. The menu is published each week in the Newsletter. Your parent or carer can print it out and mark the things you like to help you choose your dinner.

Our school dinners are cooked fresh each day on the school premises and we do encourage children to take this option up. If you would prefer your own packed lunch please speak to a member of Nursery staff.

If you require information regarding allergens or have special dietary requirements please speak to our Kitchen Manager, Mrs Anne Bliss, who will be happy to help you. She can be contacted via the school office.



Information about our Online Systems

At Nursery we will use a number of on-line systems. These are all accessible via our website www.crosshallinfant.co.uk.

Online Payment Facility - WisePay



WisePay is our chosen method of payment. It is used to pay for educational visits, Kids Club and Wraparound Care invoices, visitor lunches and fundraising activities. Every child has an individual account and you are able to view your child's details and check balances. Individual login and password details will be sent home via the class when your child starts with us in September.

Gilt Edged School Uniform Ordering - Gilt Edged

School uniform orders can be placed online or by calling Gilt Edged direct on 01604 671671. There is the option to have items delivered to school or direct to your own address.

Orders delivered to school are delivered free of charge and can be collected from the school office, or are sent home with your child. Uniform sent to a home address will incur a delivery charge.

If you are unsure of which sizes to order, samples are held in the school office and you are welcome to bring your child in to check sizing prior to ordering.



Parent Consultations

Parent consultations are held during each term. Bookings must be made online via <https://parents-booking.co.uk/crosshall>. Instructions are sent out to all parents via email before consultations are available to book. This will be opportunity for you to meet with your child's keyworker to discuss next steps and progress.

Making a Difference

You may be able to volunteer some time to help us with little jobs such as: gardening, supporting general classroom activities or fundraising activities. However this will require an enhanced DBS clearance. Forms can be obtained from the school office.

Current DBS forms from your own place of work or through other organisations are not sufficient, even if they have been recently obtained unless they are registered with the update service. We also request that you supply two professional references as part of this clearance. There is a £15 administration fee for this application.



What I need for Nursery every day

- Book bag, a flat style bag that will fit in a box. You can personalise this so you know which is yours.
- Water bottle, filled with water only.
- Named snack box, with a healthy snack- fruit, vegetable or cheese. (No nuts allowed)
- A weather appropriate coat i.e. thick if the weather is cold.
- Hats, gloves etc. as the weather demands.
- Wellies - to be kept at school all year.

Please ensure all items are clearly named



We are a uniformed school, details of the uniform are on the website. Elasticated waist trousers are perfect for Nursery. You may like to have a spare pair of pants in your bag, but we also have spare clothes for the occasional accident. Please ensure long hair is tied up.

You may like to dress/provide your child in waterproof trousers for the sessions in the Magic Garden on Wednesday.

We are lucky enough to have a PE session once a week on a Tuesday with Premier Sports and ask that your child wears PE clothes on this day.

Please ensure you clearly name everything that you bring to school.

We are looking forward to meeting you soon.