



**Welcome to
West Street
Community Primary
School and Nursery**

Who we are



At West Street we offer high standards of teaching and learning in order to enable each child to achieve their potential, intellectually, physically and emotionally. We recognise all our pupils as individuals and will nurture every aspect of their personality.

Providing a sense of security and a welcoming atmosphere is what we do best; all members of the school community are made to feel valued, treated fairly, with respect and given opportunities to develop. Pupils leaving West Street should be well equipped to play a positive and fulfilling role in the community, treat all people equally and be prepared for citizenship within today's society.





West Street was recognised as being **OUTSTANDING** in personal development in our most recent OFSTED inspection and **GOOD** in all other areas.

“Pupils at West Street have wonderful opportunities to develop personally. No one is excluded from these opportunities.”

“Pupils are polite and respectful in school.”

“Young children begin to learn about phonics in the Nursery class. Teachers know exactly what children should be achieving in phonics as they move towards Year 1. This helps them to provide strong support for anybody who struggles.”

“The curriculum in the early years is well thought out. Leaders concentrate on improving children’s knowledge of language and mathematics. They achieve a good level of development by the time they leave the Reception Year.”

Our Early Years Unit

Our long established Early Years Unit is divided into Nursery and Reception classes. Children are able to access activities in both classes during continuous provision. This enables staff to plan and cater for all learning styles and abilities. The Unit is a bright and welcoming place for young children where they feel safe, secure, confident and happy. Alongside a spacious and bright interior children have access to their own separate and contained outside area. Funding obtained from the Big Lottery Fund allowed us to extensively refurbish this area and provide the children with many stimulating areas to learn through play.



Meet the EYFS Team



Miss Jackson — Reception Class
Teacher and Early Years Leader



Miss Deen — Reception Class
Teacher

Miss Ingham — Nursery Manager



Miss Brown — Teaching assistant



Mrs Nawaz— Teaching assistant

Mrs Reynolds— Teaching assistant

It all begins at home!

You are your child's first and most important

Play together

Paint, cut & stick,
build, climb, run,

Talk Together

About things you see, touch, feel,

Enjoy and Share

Books, nursery rhymes, puzzles, words, pictures and quiet

How to be
nursery/school
ready

Help

Your child to mix with other children, spend short times away from you, talk to new adults and grow in confidence!

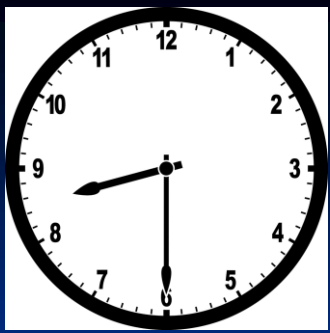
Help

Your child to dress and undress independently, go to the toilet independently, use cutlery, make choices and be independent

..and now
to
Nursery...

Why choose West Street Nursery?

- At West Street we work as an Early Years Unit
- We have large classrooms with adjoining shared spaces and a large outdoor area
- Your child can join our nursery from the age of 3
- We offer 15 funded hours over 5 mornings or 5 afternoons
- Children who are eligible for the 30 funded hours can attend all day and stay for lunch
- Your child will already be familiar with our school therefore, transition into our Reception class will be much smoother
- West Street is the only primary school in Colne with its own integrated nursery



The Typical Nursery Day



Morning session: 8.30 - 11.30a.m.

8.30: doors open

8.45: welcome and register

9.00: Continuous Provision and individual targets

10.15: tidy up time followed by group time/ focused activity

10.30: outdoor play / phonics activity

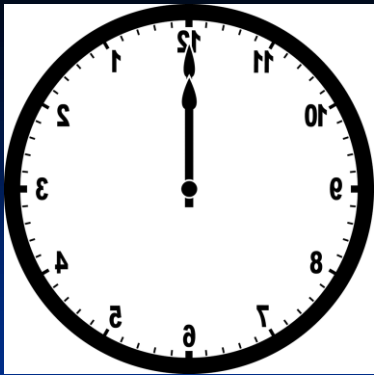
11.10: story/singing time

11.30: children to be collected no later than this time

At West Street Nursery school we aim to give children the best possible start to their education and therefore ask you to be on time for every session.

We operate a rolling snack system, when children can help themselves throughout the session.





The Typical Nursery Day



Afternoon session: 12 – 3pm

12.00: doors open

12.15: welcome and register

12.30: continuous provision and individual targets

1.45: tidy up time and then group time/ focused activity

2.00: outdoor play / phonics activity

2.45: story/singing time

3.00: children to be collected no later than this time

Children who attend nursery for 30 funded hours can have a school lunch costing £2.30 a day

We operate a rolling snack system, when children can help themselves throughout the session.



Nursery Uniform



Nursery children wear **PURPLE** jumpers or cardigans with their own clothes. They wear shoes that are sensible for both indoors and outdoors.

Make sure your child brings a suitable coat for playing outside and a sun hat/cap when needed.

REMEMBER TO NAME AND LABEL EVERYTHING!!! 😊

The Early Years Curriculum

What is the EYFS?

The Early Years Foundation Stage (E.Y.F.S.) is the first stage of education for children from birth to the end of the Reception year.



It is based on the recognition that children learn best through play and active learning.

Learning and Development

The Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum is made up of seven areas of Learning and Development.

The seven areas are grouped into two categories -prime areas and specific areas.

The prime areas are key to the children's development and success in all other areas of learning and life. These are: Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Communication and Language, Physical Development.



The Four Specific Areas of Learning



Literacy



Maths



Expressive arts and
design



Understanding the
World

Our Learning Environment

Our classrooms and outdoor areas are arranged so that the children have continued access to a variety of areas of learning.

These are:

- Sand and Water
- Malleable
- Funky Fingers
- Role Play
- Small World and Construction
- Mark Making
- Numeracy
- Creative Workshop
- Reading Area



Outdoor Provision

At West Street Primary School we like to be outside every day!

All staff value the importance of the outdoor learning environment and recognise that the outdoors is often where children want to be.

Please ensure your child brings suitable outdoor clothing e.g. warm coat, gloves, hat and scarf in cold weather conditions.



The Curriculum

At West Street Nursery staff plan together each week.

Our planning is based upon:

- Observations of the children and any special interests that they may have
- Seasons/festivals/celebrations
- The Early Years Curriculum areas
- Topics
- Maths
- Phonics phase 1 and phase2

Observations and Assessments

From Nursery to Year 6 we use Target Tracker. In Nursery and Reception we use this to collect evidence and assess your child's progress. Each child has their own unique online learning journey.

We will collect evidence of your child's learning through photographs and observations. You will be able to access these photos and observations from home. You will receive your child's learning journey when they leave EYFS.



Parents as Partners

We value the importance of parents being involved in their child's education.

The more the staff know about each child, the better they are able to support and extend each child's learning.

When parents and staff work together in early years settings, the results have a positive impact on children's development and learning.

Regular information will be shared with you through:

- Daily informal chats
- The school website www.west-street.org
- Weekly Facebook and Twitter blogs
- Our notice board at the EYFS entrance
- Parent Teacher Meetings and parent workshops
- Target Tracker online learning journey
- Weekly newsletters

Starting Nursery - What will happen?

1. An application pack will be sent to you by email or you can collect one from our school office
2. All completed forms are to be returned then your child will be given a start date
3. Your child will then visit nursery staying for one hour on an agreed day
4. When your child is ready they will then attend the following day for their full session 😊

Due to the current covid-19 climate we are unable to welcome parents into school throughout the day as we usually would.

Visits can be arranged out of normal school hours.



THANK YOU!

Any Questions?

Or want an application pack?

Please contact Miss. Ingham

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or phone school directly on

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