



Welcome to Robin Hall Nursery 2023/24

Aims of this session:

- ❖ Meet the team
- ❖ Explain the next steps in the induction process (Dates, arrangements, classes)
- ❖ Explain how best to prepare your child for Nursery
- ❖ Explain what to expect when children start
- ❖ Visit Nursery (your child's classroom)
- ❖ Answer questions

WHO IS WHO?

Headteacher Nicky Ross

Assistant Headteacher for Early Years
Hatice Mehmet- Mrs M

Year Leads Selma Hassan
and
James Mansfield



Full time Class Teacher Selma Hassan
Nursery Part Time Class Teacher James Mansfield

Early Years Practitioners: Sharon Johnson, Afshan Hussein, Alida Culaj and Saima Ahmed

Nursery classes



Blue Jays

3 year olds class

* Full Time

8.30-3.15pm



Finches

3 year olds class

*Morning class

8.30-11.30am

*Afternoon class

12.15-3.15pm

Wraparound Care

After Nursery care

3.15-6.15pm



Food

- **Fruit and Milk**-Children are provided with a piece of fruit or vegetable every morning as part of the National Fruit Scheme, to support healthy eating. We require the children to bring their own named water bottle.
- **Blue Jays** Bring packed lunch from home. (NO NUTS & FISH)
Lunch time is at 11.30am.



Packed lunches

- If your child is staying with us full time, please ensure they bring in a packed lunch. Please note that fizzy drinks and sweets/chocolates are not allowed to be brought in children's lunch boxes.
- Robin Hall Nursery and Woodpecker Hall Academy are NUT and FISH FREE at all times. Please do not include any items in lunch boxes that contain fish/seafood, such as tuna and nuts, such as 'Nutella' and other chocolate spreads, peanut butter sandwiches or other nut items.
- Children are encouraged to eat as much as they can. If your child experiences problems at lunchtime, we will let you know.



Sleep

- If your child needs to sleep please speak to the nursery team to talk about your children's needs for example only sleeping for one hour/when they are most likely to nap.
- Sleep mats and blankets will be provided; there will be a quiet space in the Nursery.
- We encourage you to reduce nap time in preparation for Nursery.



Induction:

Key dates and Information for Nursery 3-4 2023

Monday 26th June 2023 9.00 am/Upper school Hall	Information Meeting for parents and careers Letter about stay & play, staggered starts and home visits to be given with the information pack
Tuesday 5th September 2023 Wednesday 6th September 2023 Thursday 7th September 2023	Home visits This is for children who are new to our school and have not attended our Nursery provision before.
Friday 8th September 2023	Stay & Play session for Nursery children who are new to our school and have not attended our Nursery. (Parents are required to stay on site for this visit).
Friday 8th- 13th September 2023	<i>All information is in your letter.</i> <i>*Please note that if your child is unsettled, we will work with you to set up personalised settling-in process and times to support your child.</i>
Monday 18th September	All children will have started Nursery for their full allocated time. (*unless extremely unsettled)

Getting three year olds ready for Nursery



The following would really help your child settle into Nursery

- **Social skills:** Are they able to do the following? Dress and undress themselves (coats and velcro shoes) Use the toilet by themselves Use a cup to drink from and be independent to eat a snack, e.g. a whole apple with the skin on Sit down and listening to a story (training concentration), Have a regular and early bedtime routine
- **Communication skills:** Please make sure that you talk to your child every day about the world around them.
- Use your native language if English is not your home language. By talking and listening to your child, you are already giving them some of the best help there is to begin their education journey.
- It is also important that you talk to your child about their day at the Nursery and encourage them to talk to us about their needs as well through the day.
- Developing their oral skills now will also help to give them the confidence to make the big change from being at home all the time with the family to going to Nursery school.

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- **Top tips:**
- Listen to your child with interest
- Answer your child with care
- Consider his or her opinions
- Make time to enjoy talking together
- **Other skills you can help your child develop:**
- Encourage them to tidy up their toys and do some simple household chores.
- Help them to recognise their name in writing and to consistently respond to it verbally
- Encourage them to clean well after using the toilet and to wash their hands thoroughly
- Have a bedtime routine, e.g. bath and reading before they go to bed.
- Read Aloud is one of our reading initiatives, where we encourage every parent to read for 15 minutes to their child every day. If you put them to bed early they will be able to get up early and be in a positive mood for Nursery school.
- Do turn-taking activities, such as playing with a toy - this helps them to get used to taking turns and also to understand the concept of sharing
- Lots of the learning in Nursery happens through play.



Uniform

- Navy Blue sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan
- Navy Blue tracksuit bottoms
- White polo shirt
- Black Velcro trainers/shoes (no open toed sandals or shoes with laces)
- Wellies to stay at Nursery for Forest Garden.

Please label all your child's clothing and footwear.



Be ready for Nursery

It would really help your child to settle into Nursery if they can:

- Dress and undress themselves (Coats and trousers when using the toilet)
- Put on own shoes using two hands.
- Use the toilet by themselves
- Use a cup to drink from/ be independent to eat a snack
- Sit down to listen to a story (concentration)
- Have a regular and early bedtime routine (We recommend 7/7.30)
- Talk is key to learning (daily experiences)

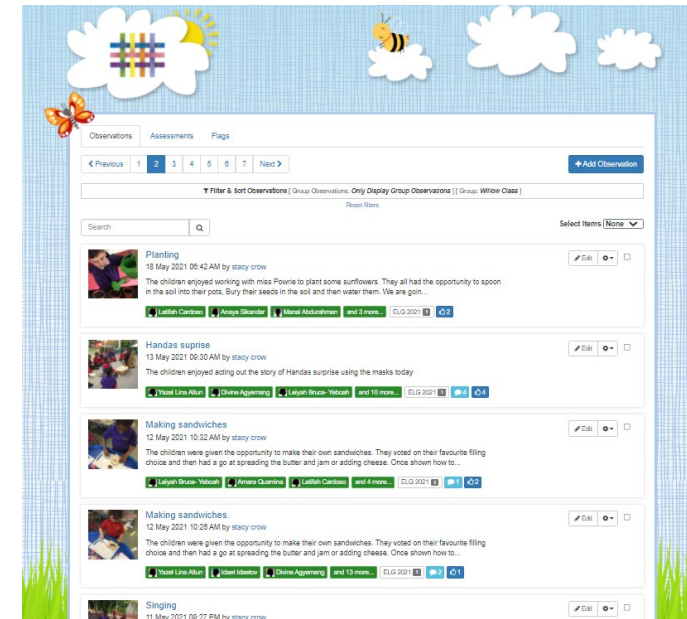
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What to expect when your child starts...

- Even if your child had a previous experience of nursery or playgroups, starting in a new place might be unsettling (separation anxiety, tears, clinginess)
- Some children might be more tearful than others which unsettles those around them
- We will encourage you to leave after a while so that we can settle them in but we will always call you if needed

Tapestry

- An Online Learning Journal system where staff record children's progress and activities using tablet devices (iPads) and PCs.
- Parents can view their child's journal on mobile devices and on their home computers, and can make observations of their own using a secure login system.
- It creates a two way communication between us (the EYFS team), and you (the parents and carers).
- **In September you will receive an information letter and consent form to fill in alongside other consent forms that we need parents/carers to sign before you child starts school.**
- **We will also hold information meeting dedicated to Tapestry and working with your child at home some time in October/November time (date tbc)**



Robin Hall Nursery Website



<https://www.cuckoohallacademy.org.uk/nursery>

Our Nursery page is updated regularly with information about what we will have been learning and how you can help your child at home.

All other information will be in your information pack.