

The School Day for 2, 3 and 4 Year olds



What are the school hours?

Nursery School sessions are offered during normal school term times. There are three options:

Option A (Beginning of Week)

Monday & Tuesday 8.30am-2.30pm

Wednesday 8.30-11.30am

Option B (End of Week)

Wednesday 12.30pm-3.30pm

Thursday & Friday 8.30am-2.30pm

Option C

Monday to Friday 8.30am till 2.30pm (for eligible children entitled to free nursery education of 30 hours per week)

Children who attend all day have a school lunch or can bring a packed lunch.

Please remember to collect your child promptly at the end of the session, as she or he may become anxious if left after the other children have gone.



What will happen during my child's session at nursery?

The Nursery Routine

8:30am- 8:45	<p><i>To keep everyone as safe as possible we are staggering the start time of every session for each bubble of children. If your child is attending, you will be advised what time to bring them and which entrance to use. Parents and carers are also requested not to enter the building but to hand children over at the entrance door.</i></p> <p>Children are greeted by a key worker and supported to wash hands before entering their classroom.</p> <p>Children are then supported to come into their classroom, self-register and choose an area of learning to explore.</p>
8:50am	<p>Children get ready for outdoor learning.</p> <p>Children are supported to put on outdoor weather clothing and wellington boots (as required) to take part in a range of outdoor learning experiences. <i>To keep everyone as safe as possible we will be having an outdoor classroom approach where learning takes place in the outdoor environment.</i></p>
9:00am-11:10am	<p>Outdoor classroom activities begin</p> <p>A range of activities are set up including an adult led activity. Children are able to free-flow in the outdoor space exploring a range of provision with staff scaffolding learning and supporting skill development. Activities are linked to observations of pupil learning and interest.</p> <p>A snack table is set up during this time where fruit, milk and water are available. Free milk is provided by the Department of Health for children under five. Children are supported to wash hands before accessing snack time and each have an individual bowl of fruit.</p>
11:10am	Everyone tidies up together and children transition into key worker groups
11:20-11:30am	Children take part in a short adult led group time with their key worker.
11:30am	<p>Children are supported with washing hands and lunchtime transitions.</p> <p>Wed only OPTION A Home Time</p>
11:45am	<p>Lunch time</p> <p>Children stay in their classroom with their class bubble for packed lunches and school meals. A dedicated SMSA will come in to help at lunchtime, and this will be the same person for each group of children every day.</p> <p>Children have outdoor play after lunch.</p>
1pm	End of lunchtime
1pm	Extension/continuation of outdoor classroom activities for two, three and four year olds.

1:30pm	Opportunity for indoor quiet time/rest time for younger children and two year olds
2pm	Tidy up time
2:10pm	Whole class Story time/Song time/rhyme time
2:25pm	Children are supported to wash hands thoroughly before leaving Nursery
2:30pm	<p>Home time</p> <p>To keep everyone as safe as possible we are staggering the end time of each session for each bubble of children. If your child is attending, you will be advised what time to collect them and which entrance to use.</p> <p>Children leave one at a time to allow for social distancing amongst parents and carers at collection time. Children are supported to leave the group individually with a member of staff.</p>
3:30pm	Wednesday only OPTION B Home Time