## Welcome to St Catherine's Primary School



Supporting Smooth Transitions for you and your child



### **School Leadership**

Head Teacher



Mrs Hazel Leslie

Deputy Head



Mrs Bec Fitts/SENco

Assistant Head



Mr Andrew Carless





#### Meet the Early Years Team







Mrs Hawkins

Mrs Cottle

Miss Speechley













Mrs Rowbotham

Mrs Robertson

Miss Jackson

Mrs Maslanka





Mrs Calvert



Mrs Barnet



## Supporting Transition Getting to know you and your child

#### We will do this by:

- Offering home visits
- Stay and play sessions
- Information gathered from you and the previous setting
- Key workers will be assigned to children within the first few weeks





# The Early Years Curriculum: Prime Areas of Learning







- Communication and Language
- Physical Development
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development





# The Early Years Curriculum: Specific Areas of Learning









- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding of the World
- Expressive Arts and Design





#### What Your Child Will Need



- Waterproof coat
- Wellington boots
- Water bottle
- Book bag
- Sun hat

No back packs please!

Please label everything including shoes!



#### Snack time



- Every child in the Foundation Stage will be provided with a snack of fruit or vegetables.
- All nursery children receive milk. Children aged 5 and over are able to purchase their milk from the office.
- Water is always available. Only water is allowed in children's water bottles.
- Please inform us about any allergies.





#### **School Uniform**

- Green sweatshirts, cardigans or fleeces.
- White polo shirts.
- Grey or black trousers, skirts or pinafores.
   Tracksuit bottoms are fine to support independence when going to the toilet.
- Summer check dresses in green and white.
- Sensible black shoes. We prefer Velcro fastenings rather than buckles or laces to support independence.

#### Reception P.E. Kits

White t-shirt, green shorts, and trainers in a drawstring bag.





#### Medical



- Please ensure that you complete the admission forms in your packs as soon as possible to make us aware of any medical needs.
- Asthma pumps and Epipens will be stored in your child's classroom.
- Make us aware of any injuries they have before coming into school.
- If your child has a head injury whilst in school you will be contacted.
- Ensure that we always have up to date contact numbers.





#### Safeguarding

Please let us know if someone new is collecting your child by completing the sign up sheet.

The school has a 'no photo' policy. Please do not use mobile phones or cameras on the school premises.

If your child rides a bike or scooter to school, please park these in the bike shed near the main gate.





#### Reception Transition

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July: Children visit their new classroom from 10.30 to 11.20am. Children who are new to the school <u>or</u> have not previously attended Nursery Lunch Club will be invited for a taster lunch. (Current Nursery children will be brought through into their new classrooms by their current class teacher). Parents are invited for coffee in the dining room.

Tuesday 5th September & Wednesday 6th September: Home visits

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September & Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September :** Children attend school from 8:30am-12:00pm

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September & Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September: Children attend school from 8:30-1:00pm, including lunch.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September: Children will attend their first full day In school from 8:30-3:00pm, breakfast club and after-school club will start day also. (After school booking forms)

## Reception Timetable

8:30am till 3:00pm

#### Daily timetable:

- Busy Fingers
- Phonics
- Snack
- Child initiated learning time
- Mathematics
- Lunch
- Topic
- · Child initiated learning time
- Story and songs
- Home Time

PE and Music once a week.







#### **Nursery Transition**

Tuesday 5th September & Wednesday 6th September: Home visits

**Thursday 7**<sup>th</sup> **September**: Stay and play (one hour visit with parents and a taster lunch)

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September:** Half of the class will attend without parents (8:45-11:15) Other half of the class will attend without parents (12:30-3.00)

Monday/Tuesday 11/12th September: All children in for morning session (8:30-11:45)

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September: 30 hours provision, breakfast club, lunch club and after-school club for nursery children begin. (After school booking forms)



## **Nursery Timetable**

8:30am till 11:45am

- Busy Fingers
- Adult led activity
- Child initiated learning time
- Phonics
- Story / rhymes / songs
- Home time or lunch club





#### 30 Hour Provision

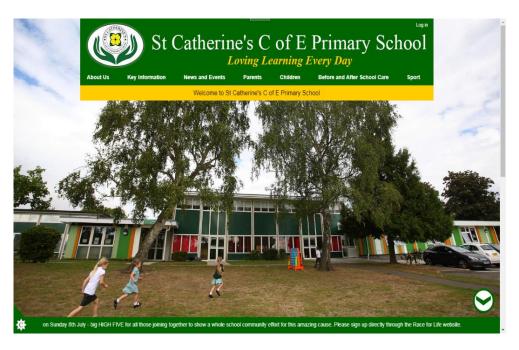


- We offer 30 hour provision including Lunch Club.
- In addition to this we also offer a Breakfast Club and After-School Club.
- Additional afternoon nursery sessions are available.



#### Visit our Website

#### www.stcatherines.herts.sch.uk



- School prospectus
- Policies
- Term Dates
- Lunch menu

- FOSC
- Uniform
- Breakfast and After School Club

**Hertfordshire** 

School Newsletter



#### **Question Time**

No question is a silly question...



If anyone has anything they would like to ask please feel free to do





# How can I support my child at home?



Communicate and talk with your child



Enjoy physical activities together



Have fun exploring maths



Read, tell and make up stories together



Support your child to do things by themselves



Encourage your child to talk and play with others



