

# Welcome to St Catherine's Primary School



Supporting Smooth Transitions  
*for you and your child*



# School Leadership

Head  
Teacher



Mrs Hazel Leslie

Deputy  
Head



Mr Andrew Carless

SENCO



Miss Michala Baker



# Meet the Early Years Team



Mrs Hawkins



Mrs Cottle



Miss Speechley



# Meet the Early Years Team



Mrs Rowbotham



Mrs Robertson



Mrs Maslanka



Mrs Calvert



Miss Longdon



# Meet our Family Support Team

Vivienne Cobos  
Rachel Ottery  
Stacey Ward

[www.instagram.com/hwvsp\\_family\\_support\\_worker/](https://www.instagram.com/hwvsp_family_support_worker/)



# Supporting Transition

## Getting to know you and your child

### **We will do this by:**

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



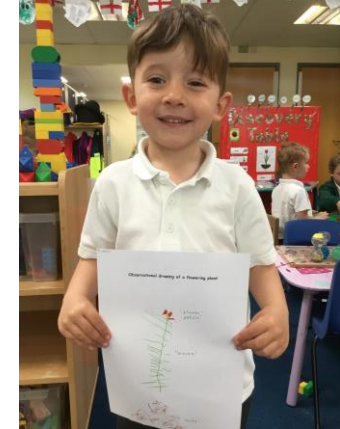


# The Early Years Curriculum: Prime Areas of Learning



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

# 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 – 1 small keyring
- Sun hat
- Spare clothes for nursery

**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.
- Children up to the term before they are 5 are eligible for funded milk. Please apply online (further information from the office).
- Water is always available. Only water is allowed in children's water bottles (no juice please).
- 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.
- Summer check dresses in green and white.
- Sensible black shoes. (Not Crocs or sandals and Velcro fastenings please!)
- Earrings should be studs only and no other jewellery.

## 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.



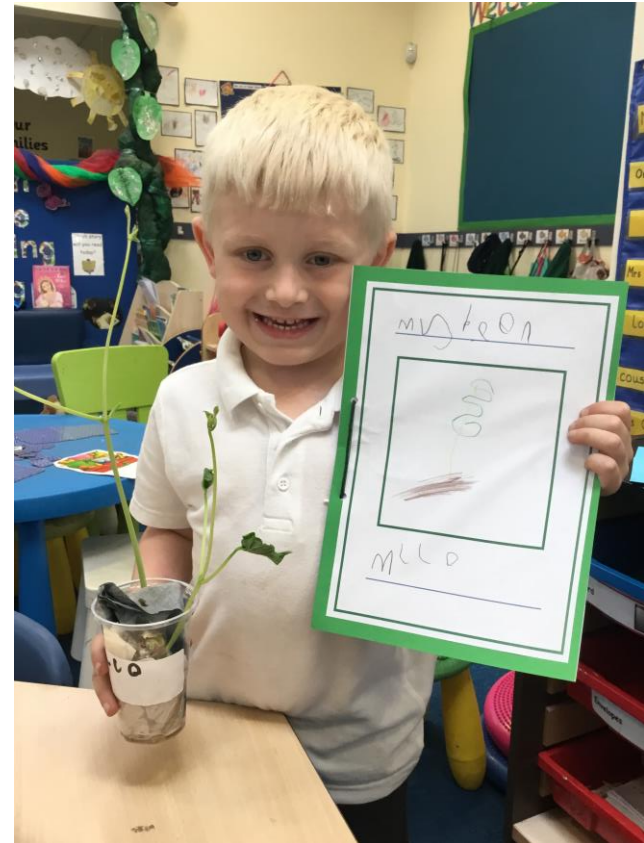
# Reception Timetable

8:30am (doors close at 8.40am) until 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.



# Reception Transition

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July** : Children visit their new classroom from 10.30 to 11.20am. Children who are new to the school or 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.

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September & Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September** : Home visits

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September & Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September** : Children attend school from 8:30am-12:00pm

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September & Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September**: Children attend school from 8:30-1:00pm, including lunch.

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September**: Children will attend their first full day In school from 8:30-3:00pm. Breakfast Club and After-School Club start.



# Nursery Timetable

8:30am (doors close at 8.40am) until 11.45 am

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



# 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.



# Nursery Transition

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September & Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September :** Home visits

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September:** Stay and play (one hour visit with parents and a taster lunch).

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September:** Half of the class will attend without parents (8.45-11.15) Other half of class will attend without parents (12.30-3.00)

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September & Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September:** All children in for the morning session (8.30-11.45)

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September & Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September:** All children attend morning session – children due to stay for lunch on these days will stay until 12.45 pm.

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September:** 30 hours provision, Breakfast Club, Lunch Club and After School Club for nursery children begin.

# Visit our Website

[www.stcatherines.herts.sch.uk](http://www.stcatherines.herts.sch.uk)



- School prospectus
- Policies
- Term Dates
- Lunch menu
- FOSC
- Uniform
- Breakfast and After School Club
- School Newsletter



# How can I get my child ready for September?

Encourage your child to be independent in:

- \*Going to the toilet and wiping themselves
- \*Washing their hands
- \*Putting on and taking off shoes
- \*Putting on coats
- \*Using a knife and fork to cut food



# Question Time

No question is a silly question...



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

