

Nursery Class

2024/25



Welcome to our School!

- Woodlands is a warm and friendly school, we believe in working in partnership with you to care for and educate your child.

We think that home and school are complementary and should work closely together to help your child grow and learn.

We are committed to ensuring that every child has the very best, happiest and smoothest start to their school life and that parents and carers find it as painless as possible too!





EYFS Nursery Team



Miss Sherborne - Nursery Class Teacher



Miss Stone - Teaching Assistant



Mrs Braine - Teaching Assistant
(Friday afternoons)



Our Day!

Welcome time - We sing our hello song and count how many children are in using our counting wand!

Group time - this is an adult led group time where children complete an activity.

Free Flow - Children choose to play inside or outside

Story time

Snack time - We sit and share a piece of fruit and milk

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Lunchtime - We sit and eat lunch in the classroom with our teachers

Relax time - Children listen to relaxing music whilst they lay down quietly for 5-10 mins.

Group time - this is an adult led group time where children complete an activity.

Snack time - We sit and share a piece of fruit and milk

Singing or story

Home time



Curriculum

- We follow the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) curriculum.
- These are our termly topics.

Term 1	Me, Myself and I
Term 2	Let's Celebrate
Term 3	Fantastic Fairytales
Term 4	It is Spring!
Term 5	Up, up and away!
Term 6	Hooray...let's go on holiday!

In Term 6 we will go on a trip to a farm!



Chew Valley Animal Park

This year we visited

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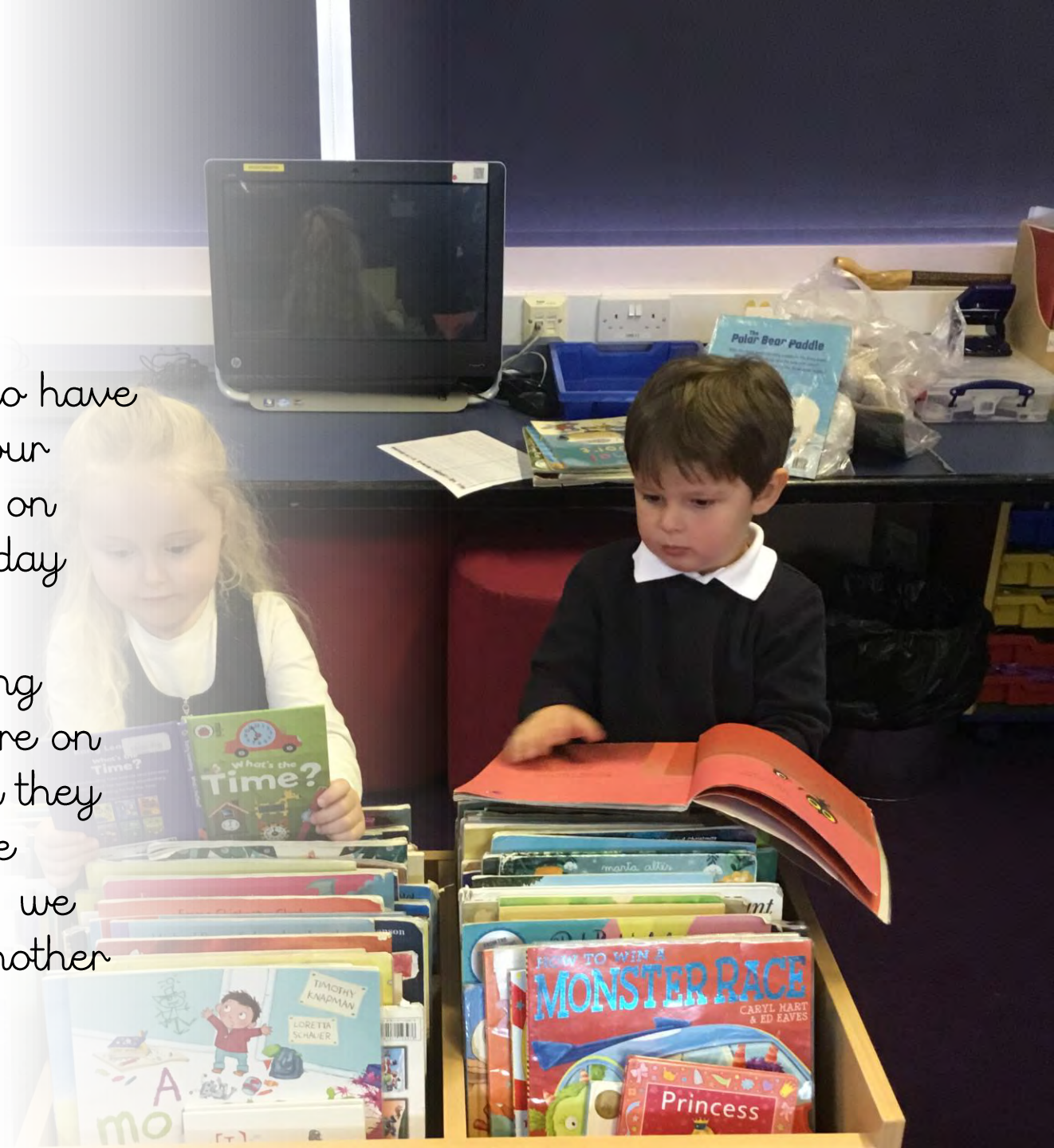




Library session

We are very lucky to have a lovely library at our school and we visit on Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

All children will bring home a book to share on this day. Please can they then return these the following week and we can change it for another one!





Transition

- All children will be offered a home visit prior to their child starting nursery. This is a very important part of their transition to school as they get to meet their teachers in their home environment and become familiar with the adults they will see at school. These will take place on Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th September.
- *Please sign up for a time slot after this meeting or call the office to ask to be booked in for one of these.*
- On Thursday 5th September you are invited to a short play and stay session at 3:30 - 4:00. This gives you and your child time to spend in the nursery together in preparation for them starting the following week.





Uniform

All children, including those in Nursery, are expected to wear our school uniform with pride.

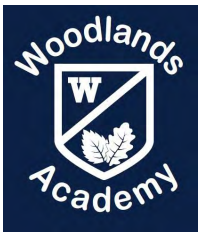
Children are expected to wear a white polo shirt, school jumper (or a plain dark blue jumper) with dark-coloured bottoms.

Uniform needs to be ordered online through the Price & Buckland website.

[Woodlands Academy \(pbuniform-online.co.uk\)](http://pbuniform-online.co.uk)

Nursery children can choose to wear jogging bottoms or leggings in dark blue, dark grey or black to enable them to use the toilet easily.





Lunches

Children may have a school dinner or a packed lunch.

Unfortunately, nursery aged children are not included in the universal free school meals so unless you are entitled to free school meals you will need to pay for these.

School dinners need to be ordered and paid for in advance via the parent mail website or app. This will be set up for you ready for the beginning of September.

If your child has a packed lunch this needs to be in a labelled container or bag.

Children are not allowed fizzy drinks, sweets, chocolate bars or anything containing any kind of nut as we are a nut free school!

We all sit in Nursery with our teachers to have our dinner.





Attendance

- It's really important that your child attends nursery for each of their sessions and arrives on time. Children who miss sessions can become unsettled and find it hard to return happily.
- If your child is absent due to illness, you need to phone school before 9am on the first and every subsequent day of absence. If we do not receive this we will make a 'first day absence' call to find out why your child is not in school.
- Leave of Absence - Any holidays taken during term time will be marked as unauthorised.



Tapestry

- Tapestry is an app that we use to record observations of your children. This includes photos and videos.
- It can also be used by yourself to show us things your children have done or achieved at home. We really enjoy seeing what your child has been doing!
- We value quality over quantity and you will find observations record WOW moments.





Things to remember!

Please make sure all clothing is clearly labelled.

Please encourage independence in dressing, undressing and toileting.

Milk and a piece of fruit is provided free to Nursery children.

Each child needs a labelled water bottle, this is available for them to access all day.

Children should bring a labelled bag with spare clothes

Each child needs a pair of labelled wellies that they can leave at Nursery. We wear these daily as always change into wellies when we go outside.

Children's shoes need to be Velcro or slip on please. This is to enable children to take these off and on as independently as possible.