

# Welcome to Nursery



# Meet our Nursery Team



**Mrs Streets**  
Nursery Teacher  
Monday, Tuesday and  
Wednesday morning



**Mrs Taylor**  
Nursery Teacher  
Wednesday afternoon,  
Thursday and Friday



**Mrs Haywood**  
Nursery Teaching  
Assistant



**Mrs Swann**  
Nursery Support



**Mr Dawson**  
**Principal**  
**SEN Co-ordinator**



**Mrs Shaw**  
**Early Years Foundation**  
**Stage Leader**  
**And Teacher**



**Miss Hamed**  
**Acting Early Years**  
**Foundation Stage**  
**Leader and**  
**Teacher**



**Mrs Singleton**  
**Academy Pastoral**  
**Manager**

# Nursery Session

**Welcome** — Children enter nursery with you and hang up their own coat and put on their indoor pumps. You and your child can find an activity to do in nursery. When the children hear the ‘hello’ song they come and sit on the carpet for our register.

**Teaching & Learning** — During the nursery session we have group times. Each day we focus on a specific area of learning; teaching the children basic skills. Every Wednesday all children will be involved in ‘phonics’ learning, focusing on early Literacy skills. Throughout the session we have planned activities in the environment to reinforce the skills taught during the group time sessions.

**Goodbye** - When you arrive to collect your child the children will be on the carpet with a member of staff. Please wait under the canopy and a member of staff will collect your child. Please be patient at busy times.



# Uniform



At Watermead we pride ourselves in our wonderful uniform and celebrate wearing it to show where we are from.

Children receive a free school jumper and book bag in September.

To support independence in self-care we ask for easy fasten trousers.

If you order your uniform today it will be ready to collect on

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September

# Evidence Me

1. Provide us with an email and download the Evidence Me app.
2. We will send you a confirmation email that you have to click and finish setting up your account.
3. We will then send you timely observations that you can look through and see what learning your child has been doing at school.
4. On this email you can click to reply to this observation to comment on it. You can also send us photos and videos of things from home.
5. We highly value this information from home as it allows us to build a stronger picture of your child's achievements both in and out of school.

When your child arrives at school they will change from their outdoor shoes into their indoor shoes. They will have pigeon holes to put their outdoor shoes in.

Can we also ask, that children have a pair of wellies at school for when it is muddy and wet to ensure they are able to access outdoor provision in all weathers.



## PE

The children have the opportunity to explore PE sessions in the hall. Children do not require a PE kit, we take off our shoes and socks.

Water is readily available for your child throughout the day. We do not allow children to bring in their own water bottles. We only allow water during the Academy day.

At lunch time, the Nursery children all have a cooked meal. This is a special social time that is supported by Mrs Swann.



# Magic Moments!



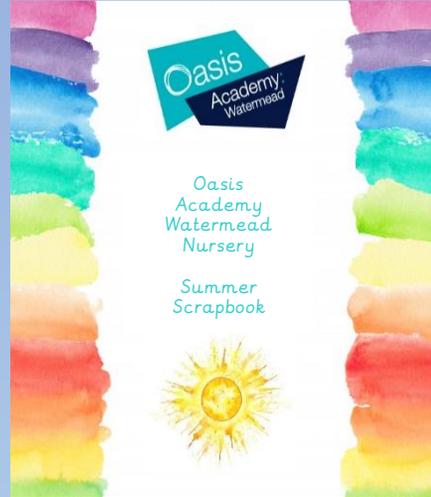
In Nursery, we operate a Magic Moment system!

This is where we share your child's wonderful achievements from home, at nursery. There will be slips of paper in the entrance hall every morning where you can write about a special moment at home / or share with a member of staff. This will then be shared with the class and will be used in your child's Learning Journey. It could be about their recent achievement with a hobby, helping out at home, or even getting themselves ready for nursery.

# Transition into Nursery



Our Nursery bear is excited to send messages and videos to the children via Evidence Me.



Summer scrap book



Video clip  
Available on the school website  
Sent via Evidence Me.

# Start Dates

All children will have a staggered start to support the transition into Nursery.

Your child's start date will be sent via Evidence Me and through the post as soon as we receive guidance from the Government regarding plans for September.



I Did Nothing Today  
When children come home at the end of the day,  
The question they're asked as they run out to play  
Is "Tell me what you did today?"  
And the answer they give makes you sigh with dismay.

"Nothing, I did nothing today!"

Perhaps "Nothing" means that I read a book,  
Or...with a teacher I got to cook.

Maybe I painted a picture of blue,  
Or heard a story of a mouse that flew.

Maybe I wrote in my journal myself.

Or maybe I helped a friend today,

Or went to my favourite area alone,

Maybe today was the very first time,

That scissors followed a very straight line,

Maybe I sang a song right to the end,

Or worked with a special brand new friend,

When you're three, four or five your heart has wings

And "Nothing" can mean so many things!

