

REDSTART NURSERY PROSPECTUS



The Redstart Nursery is situated in the grounds of the school. All facilities are within the purpose-built Nursery. The Nursery overlooks a garden and playground as well as the wider school grounds.



The children are presented with a stimulating, safe and aesthetically pleasing environment in which they gain confidence and experience a wide range of activities. The Nursery is well equipped with high quality resources that meet the emotional, social, physical, musical and creative needs of the children. Special attention is given to pre-reading, pre-writing and Maths skills. The nursery follows the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum, planning for individual and group activities, following the interests of the children.



The Nursery is led by an experienced Early Years teacher and the Nursery team is staffed with experienced, qualified Early Years practitioners in accordance with registration requirements. We have a waiting list and cannot guarantee a nursery place. It is essential to put children's names on the waiting list to ensure we can contact you.

The Redstart Nursery aims to provide a happy, safe and stimulating environment which provides the best nursery education for each child.

- We aim to encourage good relationships with parents and carers in order to enhance the educational opportunities for every child.
- We aim to develop every child's confidence and independence while encouraging thoughtful and courteous behaviour.
- We are an integral part of The Redstart Primary School community and follow the same rules where children are encouraged to respect each other and their environment.



Each Nursery session incorporates individual, small groups and whole Nursery activities. This is planned to accommodate structured teaching and learning through experience, investigation, social and creative opportunities. Each of the seven areas of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) is fully covered. Although we place a strong emphasis on phonic pre-teaching and numerical skills, we encompass a wide range of topical themes and personal interest activities. The Nursery is well equipped with a variety of resources including interactive smartboard, computer and iPads, water and sand, role play, mud kitchen and construction.



Children start to learn about the world around them from the moment they are born. The care and education offered by the Nursery helps children to continue to do this by providing interesting and stimulating activities that are right for their age and stage of developments. We follow the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum (DFES 2012); this is a play-based curriculum from birth to age five. We work closely with the Reception Class teachers to ensure progression and consistency for every child.



There are seven areas of learning that are used to plan every activity and experience for the children. The professionals teaching and supporting your child will make sure that the activities are suited to your child's unique needs. Children in the Early Years learn by playing, exploring, being active and through creative and critical thinking which take place both indoors and outside.



We encourage children to develop within the three **prime areas** first: Communication and Language; Physical Development and Personal, Social and Emotional Development. The prime areas are essential for your child's healthy development and future learning. As children grow, the prime areas will help them to develop skills in four **specific areas**. These are: Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design. Further information about the Early Years Foundation Stage can be found on the Foundation Years website:

<http://www.foundationyears.org.uk/>



We are currently open every day during term time for the following sessions:

Morning 9.00 am – 12.00 pm

Afternoon 12.00 pm – 3.00 pm

The Redstart Primary School also offers breakfast club **from 7:45am – 9:00am** which can be accessed for nursery children if required.



We would love to meet you and your child, so please feel free to visit us. Just ring us on 01460 67457 or send us a message via the website to arrange a time. If you would like to register your child for a place at The Redstart Nursery, please complete the separate Registration Form and return to The Redstart Primary School, Redstart Road, Chard, Somerset. TA20 1SD

We look forward to meeting you and your child soon.