

NEWHALL INFANT & NURSERY SCHOOL



KEY STAGE 1 BROCHURE

2025-26

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Koala Club!



Kindness in
all we do!



"Can't imagine my children going to a different school"

Parent Questionnaire – March 2022



Welcome to Newhall Infant and Nursery School

This brochure provides you with information about Newhall Infant School and our Key Stage 1 (KS1). I hope you find it useful and keep it for future reference.

I am very pleased to welcome you to our school.

Our school has an enthusiastic, hard working and dedicated staff. We are all committed to making sure that your child has every opportunity to develop their full potential in an exciting learning environment.

We are excited to work with you and your child as they start school. I am sure that your child will thrive during their time with us.

Please do not hesitate to come into school to discuss any matters or concerns you have regarding your child. Should you wish to discuss any aspects of school life with me, please contact the school office to make an appointment.

I look forward to meeting you all in September!

Have a great Summer!

Shelley White

Headteacher



OUR SCHOOL

Newhall Infant and Nursery School shares a campus with Newhall Junior School and Mercia Academy.

We have over 190 pupils in our school and promote kindness in all we do.

We are committed to raising the levels of achievement and attainment of all pupils by working closely together for the benefit of every pupil in our school.

The whole staff co-operates to form a hard-working team and are actively encouraged to contribute towards the development of the curriculum. Individual teachers within the school are responsible for areas of the curriculum but have the support of all staff in the development of their work. Our main aim is to meet the needs of the individual child and provide a curriculum which ensures that each child acquires the skills and knowledge to enable them to realise their potential within the guidelines of the National Curriculum and Early Years Foundation Stage.

We work alongside a range of different agencies to support our children including School Health, Physical Impairment Team, Speech & Language Service, Inclusion Support Advisory Service, COMPASS and the School Mental Health Team.

The Governors meet each term to discuss the life of the school as well as involving themselves in a variety of school activities.

You may find out more information about our school by downloading our Ofsted report via www.ofsted.gov.uk. As well as our school website, we have social media pages (Facebook and Instagram) which are updated regularly and Class Dojo reward system.



MEET OUR KEY STAGE 1 TEAM

YEAR 1 HEDGEHOGS CLASS



Mrs Dicken
Teacher



Mrs Gadsby
Teaching &
Learning Assistant



YEAR 1 OWLS CLASS



Mrs Adkins
Teacher



Mrs Skinner
Teaching &
Learning Assistant



MEET OUR KEY STAGE 1 TEAM

YEAR 2 FOXES CLASS



Miss Butler
Teacher



Mrs Russell
Teaching &
Learning Assistant



YEAR 2 SQUIRRELS CLASS



Mrs Inwood
Teacher



Mrs Russell
Teaching &
Learning Assistant



KEY STAGE 1 TIMETABLE

8.45 am - 9.05 am	Phonics catch up/reading catch up
9.05 am - 9.10 am	Register
9.10 am - 9.40 am	Phonics
9.40 am - 10.30 am	Mathematics
10.30 am - 10.45 am	Playtime
10.45 am - 11.45 am	English
11.45 am - 12.15 pm	Reading Practice
12.15 am - 1.15 pm	Lunchtime
1.15 pm - 2.00 pm	 <p>Pathfinders</p> 
2.00 pm - 2.45 pm	
2.45 pm - 3.15 pm	

OUR CURRICULUM

We will be continuing with our **'Learning Means the World'** curriculum in September 2025 which will be full of fun, practical and exciting learning opportunities.

We will continue to be much more 'key stage' focused next year rather than working in single year groups. The National Curriculum is organised into key stages, not year groups so this will be reflected in our new curriculum which will be taught as a two-year programme.

All of the Early Years children (Nursery and Reception) will be known as our 'Early Years Explorers' and will work together on the same topics at the same time. They will have lots of opportunities to 'free flow' and work together as a whole key stage.

All of Key Stage 1 (Years 1 and 2) will be known as our 'Pathfinders' and all classes will be working on the same topics. Staff will work together to plan and deliver the same learning opportunities to all children and the year groups will be working much more closely together.



OUR TOPICS

Autumn 1	Fairytales - Happily Ever After
Autumn 2	Come Fly with Me - Arctic Circle
Spring 3	Never Eat Shredded Wheat - Geography Record Breaker - Story of Ranulph Fiennes
Spring 4	Going Wild - All about Animals
Summer 5	Land Ahoy - Pirates
Summer 6	Jurassic Hunter - The Story of Mary Anning

COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS

There will be plenty of updates to keep you informed of your child's progress and wellbeing during their time in Early Years.

Staff are available for brief discussions at the beginning and end of sessions and you will receive regular newsletters.

Each week our social media accounts are updated with the children's achievements and activities. These accounts are:

Facebook - Newhall Infant and Nursery School - Sunnyside
Instagram - @newhallinfantsandnursery

We also use ClassDojo to keep in contact day-to-day!



SCHOOL MEALS

Our Catering Supervisor and her staff provide a wide range of meals each day in accordance with Derbyshire County Catering guidelines.

A salad bar, pasta pots and jacket potatoes are an option everyday and fruit is always available. Our children are actively encouraged to make sensible choices and to try new food.

Since September 2014, all infant aged children (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) receive their midday school meal free of charge.

If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium funding, a school meal will be provided, as well as opportunities for additional support and equipment.

Packed lunches from home

Children are welcome to bring a packed lunch if preferred. The following arrangements apply to all children who bring in a packed lunch.

- All lunches must be in a suitable container which is clearly marked with the child's name.
- Drinks must be in a leak-proof container, preferably within the lunchbox.
- Please do not send in sweets, chocolate or fizzy drinks in lunchboxes or any food containing nuts.
- Healthy lunchboxes are actively encouraged.





SCHOOL UNIFORM



Children wear school uniform at all times.

- We wear:
- Royal Blue tops (jumper, cardigan, sweatshirt etc)
 - Grey skirt/trousers/shorts/tights
 - White shirt/blouse/polo shirt etc.
 - Royal Blue and White dress (Summer)
 - Black school shoes (black trainers are not acceptable)



Please ensure all clothing is named, including coats, hats, gloves, scarves etc.

All our uniform is available from the following suppliers:

- Pupil Schoolwear, Swadlincote. Tel: 01283 224512
www.pupilschoolwear.co.uk
- WB Schoolwear, Walton-on-Trent. Tel: 01283 711538
www.wbglobaltrading.co.uk
- Online Clothing Solutions www.schoolwearuk.co.uk

Uniform with the school logo is optional. Plain royal blue jumpers/cardigans are acceptable.

PE LESSONS

Children have their PE lessons on set days. (We will inform you of this). On their PE day, children can come to school dressed ready in their PE kit. This should be:

- Usual school Jumper/Cardigan
- Plain white T-shirt
- Blue/black/grey shorts
- Blue/black/grey leggings/tracksuit bottoms (for colder days)
- Black plimsolls/pumps/trainers



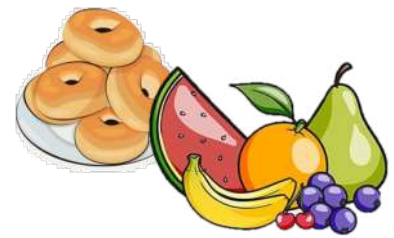
WRAPAROUND CARE - KOALA CLUB

Our Wraparound Care is available to all children and is a safe, nurturing environment for children before and after school to take part in fun, creative activities or relax.

Morning Session

8.00 am - 8.45 am (Mon-Fri - 5 days a week) with a FREE breakfast

(cereals, fruit or bagel, milk or water).



Afternoon Session

3.15 pm - 4.00 pm (Mon-Thurs - 4 days a week)

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| Messy Mondays | - | Arts and Crafts |
| Tasty Tuesdays | - | Baking and Cooking |
| Wild Wednesdays | - | Gardening/Outdoor |
| Tasty Thursdays | - | Baking and Cooking |



Cost - £3.00 per session

Book and pay via ParentPay



HEALTH AND SAFETY

School Campus

With the health and safety of your child in mind, the whole area within the school boundary has been designated a no smoking/no vaping zone.

Dogs are not allowed within this area.

Safety and Security of Children

Parents are requested not to park outside the Bretby Road entrance to the school or on the yellow zigzag lines outside the Sunnyside entrance. There is great concern that a serious accident could occur. Whilst it is not the policy of the school to encourage children to cross roads independent of an adult we do make children aware of the dangers of traffic on roads and the need for great care. The School Crossing Patrol, Police and Road Safety Officer reinforce these issues when they come to talk to the children.

Jewellery

Jewellery should not be worn at school. If your child has pierced ears, small studs are allowed. The Education Committee's Safety in Physical Education Regulations provides that items likely to impede a child or cause danger to others must not be worn during games. These items include jewellery. We must advise you that children wearing earrings must have them removed or taped over.

All children with long hair must have it tied back for PE.

Data Protection

Basic information about pupils is held on computer to assist with the efficient organisation of the school. Please ensure that you keep the school office informed of any changes or alterations to personal pupil details eg: telephone numbers. Security measures are taken to ensure that the information is kept confidential and is only available to authorised staff.

ABSENCES AND ILLNESS

Illness in school

All absences are recorded according to Government Regulations. If your child is absent from school please inform the school office on the first day of absence by calling 01283 216496.

Leave of Absence

Under Government Regulations (which came into force on 1st September 2013), Head Teachers may not grant leave of absence during term time unless there are **exceptional circumstances**. Family holidays are not classed as exceptional circumstances.

Parents who do take their children on holiday without permission will incur unauthorised absences. These remain on the child's record and will be monitored for further action by the Education Welfare Service. Parents could be issued with a fixed penalty notice and/or Court action.

Medical Services

If your child requires regular medication, a medical consent form should be completed during your child's first term in school.

The School Health Team visits regularly and carries out sight and hearing screening and weight checks.

Withdrawal of children from school during the school day

If you wish to withdraw your child from school for medical or personal reasons before the normal time of dismissal, please contact the school office to make arrangements. Please come to the school office to collect and/or return your child. For medical appointments please provide evidence, eg: appointment letter/card.

In every case the child **must** be collected from school by an adult. If the adult is not the parent, then please advise us prior to the collection time. In no circumstances will children be released from school by themselves.

We encourage parents to make all appointments outside of school hours.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Special Educational Needs

Our aim is to provide an environment where every child can achieve their full potential. The progress of all children is monitored continually by the Teachers and any areas of concern are discussed with the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Co-ordinator (SENDSCO), the Head Teacher and with parents/carers. Advice may be sought from professional agencies such as the Educational Psychology Service, Speech Therapist and other Health Teams.

We are required to keep a register in school of children who have special educational needs. Discussions will take place between staff and parents in order to monitor the child's progress against targets set for each child. Children named on our register will receive extra help appropriate to their needs.

Our School Governing Body have statutory duties towards pupils with special educational needs and refer to the Special Educational Needs Code of Practice when carrying out duties.

Our SEN policy is available to view on our website.

Behaviour

A very high standard of behaviour is expected from all the children. We believe it is important that children have respect and show kindness to each other.

Physical and verbal aggression will not be tolerated and play fighting is actively discouraged.

If any child's behaviour gives cause for concern, parents will be informed and invited to discuss the problem with the Class Teacher or Head Teacher. Children are praised for positive behaviour consistently.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Safeguarding

Parents should be aware that the school is required to take any reasonable action to ensure the safety of its pupils. In cases where the school has reason to be concerned that a child may be subject to ill-treatment, neglect or other forms of abuse, the Head Teacher is obliged to follow the Safeguarding Children procedures and inform Social Care (formerly known as Social Services) of the concern.

Governing Body

The Governing Body consists of fourteen members of the community who are involved in the governing of the school and interested in the work being done. The Governors support parents and all staff in our endeavour to raise children who will become well integrated, caring, responsible members of society.

Complaints

Day to day problems will normally be resolved by the Class Teacher, or referred to the Head Teacher. Should a parent wish to take matters further then a letter to the Chair of Governors is in order.

Our Complaints Policy is available on our school website.



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Special Note - 17th July 2025

The information in this booklet is correct at the date shown above. However, it must not be assumed that changes will not occur after publication. Any major changes will be reported in Newsletters.