

# Welcome to the Nursery Acorns at Yorke Mead!

This leaflet is just to give you the information you will need as your child starts in Nursery.

#### Things to bring to school

#### <u>Book bag</u>

Book bags are needed every day for the children to put in important letters, their pictures and library books. Please ensure that children leave any toys at home, so that the book bags don't get too cluttered. Please ensure that water bottles are NOT put in book bags, as they may leak which may result in books getting ruined. Please do not send your child in with a large rucksack as we have limited cloakroom space.

#### A Bottle of Water

Sipping water throughout the day helps to keep the children's brains active. Children need to bring a **named** bottle of water to school each day. Water bottles will be sent home each night so that it can be washed and refilled ready for the next day. Please no juice.

#### Snack & Lunch

All Nursery children are offered a piece of fruit and a drink of milk. You may provide them with a healthy alternative/afternoon snack such as a piece of fruit, dried fruit or breadsticks.

If your child does have a packed lunch, please make sure they have an appropriate amount of food that you would expect them to eat at home. This

will help us to encourage them to eat all they have in their lunchbox and ensure that they are not rushing their lunch to get outside.

Please ensure grapes and cherry tomatoes are cut in quarters/half long ways. We are a nut free school so please no foods which may contain nuts-including pesto.

#### Absences

If your child is unable to attend school, please could you inform the school by 10am.

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# <u>Sickness</u>

Please can you keep your child at home for 48 hours once they have stopped being sick or had diarrhoea. This is to avoid any bugs being passed around.

### Going Home

If your child is being picked up by someone other than one of their main carers, please inform a member of staff at the door in the morning. This also applies if your child is going home with another child in the class.

# Labelling

Please ensure ALL items of clothing are named including shoes and bags.

# **Outside clothing**



In nursery we like to explore our outside environment, therefore your child will need a labelled coat and pair of wellington boots ideally to be kept at school as we know the weather can be unpredictable. In cold weather the children should wear a hat, scarf and gloves.

#### Library Books

In order to develop your child's interest and enjoyment of books and to widen their vocabulary, we will be sending home library books. Please share these at home with your child. They will be changed each **Tuesday**, please ensure they are in your child's book bag on this day.

# PE

We will start PE after October half term. A letter will be sent nearer the time with more information.

# Skills

Below is a list of skills that we like to encourage children to work towards; we would appreciate your help in developing these skills at home.

- Putting on their own coats and doing up their zips and toggles.
- Taking off and putting on shoes.
- Independently putting items into their book bags.
- Independently using the toilets and washing their hands with soap
- Independently blowing and wiping their nose.

<u>What v</u>	<u>vill we be learning?</u>
The Ec	rly Years curriculum consists of seven areas of learning:
•	Communication and language Physical development
•	Personal, social and emotional development Literacy
•	Mathematics
•	Understanding the world Expressive arts and design
Our lea topics.	arning is largely topic based. We aim to incorporate each area of learning into our
We sto differe	rt the year with a 'Marvellous Me' topic, in which we celebrate our similarities and nces.
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The,	Nursery Team