

Little Fledglings Nursery

Clunbury CE Primary School

All members of staff realise that starting Nursery can be a little worrying but an exciting time for both you and your child. This leaflet will get you acquainted with our routine and to provide information to make the transition from home to Nursery as easy as possible.

Please talk to us and ask us any questions.

What your child needs to bring

Children can wear home clothes or school uniform (purchased online from School Trends). Best to wear older clothes that you don't mind getting paint on.

Waterproof coat - essential as we go outside come rain or shine!

The following items are useful to stay in school within a bag – sun/woolly hat, change of clothes (for toilet training purposes or for getting wet and messy with fun activities), named bottle of sun cream.

All children receive a book bag when they start nursery to carry pictures and library books home.

A water bottle is provided and at snack times children are provided with a selection of fruit/veg and can have some milk.

Children can bring their own packed lunch or you could choose to have a school dinner which is provided by Bishops Castle Community College at a charge (£2.25). Little Fledglings Nursery is an important part of the school and the Early Years team work together to establish the building blocks to nurture the development of your child's independent learning, working collaboratively with the older year groups, preparing them fully for the exciting journey into Reception and then Key Stage 1. Transition is made as smooth as possible due to the nature of having Reception and Year 1 within the same class.

Examples of some of the interesting things we do in the Foundation Class;

We enjoy singing and other musical activities. There are lots of opportunities for child-initiated learning.

We love to explore art in many forms including painting, sticking, cutting, junk modelling, etc We spend a large proportion of our time taking our learning outside.

We take part in Forest School on Thursday afternoon. This involves exploring and investigating the outdoor environment. Enjoying the changing seasons.

Weekly physical education incorporated in to our daily routine through Forest School, parachute games and sports in the big playground.

We enjoy singing with the whole school in regular Collective Worship.

We regularly join with other classes for a variety of activities.

Early Reading

In Nursery, children develop their listening skills and begin to blend these together to form spoken words. Nursery children explore environmental and instrumental sounds, body percussion, rhythm and rhyme, alliteration, voice sounds and oral blending to provide them with the foundation skills to support later reading and writing skill acquisition. We encourage the children to develop a love for reading through sharing stories together, retelling familiar tales, listening games and our fortnightly library. Children are able to choose 2 books to take home and share with their families, then two weeks later they get to change these books.

Forest School	Our Day
Weekly Thursday afternoon session on school site (can change at times). The children can explore our wonderful site and engage with multisensory experiences, enriching the children's overall development in all the EYFS areas. A range of activities are planned for the children, ncluding den building, wild kitchen, natural arts and crafts, spending time in our Reflection Hut, using our Exploration Box etc. Dur ethos is Mud Washes Out, Memories Don't!	Morning Session: (early drop off available at 8.35am, charge applies) 9.00am Self registration and Collective Worship 9.20am Circle Time - Phonics 9.30am Activities - Child initiated/Adult led 10.30m Snack time - Fruit/milk provided 11.00am Maths Activities - adult and child led 11.50am Story and singing 12.00 Home time
Forest School Clothing:	LUNCH - OUTDOOR PLAY
 Fo ensure your child gets the most from Forest School Sessions it would be helpful if the following is kept in school: Waterproof suit/trousers Named wellies Waterproof coat Winter - gloves, hat, extra pair of socks Summer - long sleeved top, long trousers/leggings, sun hat, sun cream (We can provide waterproof suit/trousers) 	Afternoon Session: 12.30pm Registration 1.00pm Indoor/Outdoor activities - child initiated/ adult led (art, music, games, etc) 2.50pm - Story and singing 3.10pm Home time We like to be spontaneous and run with the children's ideas therefore these times are a guide only.