



Starting Nursery at Storth

We are looking forward to your child starting in Nursery in Class 1. You will find lots of useful information in this leaflet. If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact school on 015395 62517 or head@storth.cumbria.sch.uk



Each day please send your child with:-

- Water bottle
- Warm, waterproof coat
- Bookbag



Children aged 3 and 4 years are entitled to 15 hours of Early Education per week. We also accept the 30 hours extended entitlement dependent upon eligibility. Further information can be found at www.beststartinlife.gov.uk. We are flexible with how you use your hours. Any additional Nursery hours between 8.45am and 3.15pm are charged at £5 per hour.

Breakfast Club runs from 7.45am and After School Club until 5.15pm Monday to Thursday and 4.15pm on Fridays. Breakfast and Afterschool Clubs are charged at £4 per hour.

Clothing

Children in Nursery do not need to wear school uniform, unless you wish them to. Please send your child in clothes that encourage them to be independent eg jogging bottoms or leggings (skinny jeans are tricky to pull down quickly when they need to go to the toilet). Velcro shoes or trainers, no laces. Please no boots unless they can zip them independently.

Uniform

- Grey trousers, shorts, skirt or pinafore.
- White or dark green polo shirt.
- Storth logoed green jumper or cardigan or plain green jumper or cardigan.
- Long hair to be tied back.

Nursery children do not have to get changed into a PE kit. We encourage that on PE days you send them in suitable clothing eg leggings, tracksuit bottoms and trainers. Earrings must be removed or taped on PE days before school.

PLEASE NAME EVERYTHING!



Please provide a drawstring bag which can stay on your child's peg, to include:-

- A spare set of clothes, underwear and socks.
- Waterproof trousers, hat and gloves.
- Wellies (these will be placed outside).
- We discourage the bringing of toys from home. We know that some children need a comforter toy. Any toys brought into school are placed in their bags for the day.

Please provide your child with a packed lunch if they are staying for a full day. Hot lunches are available to Nursery children and can be ordered and paid for in advance via School Hub. Milk is free up to a child's 5th birthday. Once 5, this can be paid for via the Cool Milk website. All infants receive free fruit each day. We also have our optional healthy tuckshop which is 20p per day with a choice of toast, rice cake or breadsticks. Please pay weekly or half termly by BACs or cash.

Nursery children follow the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum. It is a play based curriculum. We usually have a number of small adult input sessions and the children then undertake independent and enhanced play based provision.

The children will have phonic lessons. We will concentrate on reading stories, singing rhymes and initial phonic teaching which includes alliteration, rhyming, segmenting before progressing onto learning the 44 phonemes necessary for reading and writing. This is an essential basis for learning to read and write.



We encourage regular reading at home, as well as in school. Children love to take home story books from our bookshelves. Book bags can be bought from Mrs Barker in the office or via the website link for £7.27.

We use Tapestry as an online Learning Journey. Observations will regularly be uploaded by staff. As parents and carers you will receive login details so that you can access the learning journey. You can add your own observations from home as well as comment on and like our observations. Permission slips and information will be sent separately.