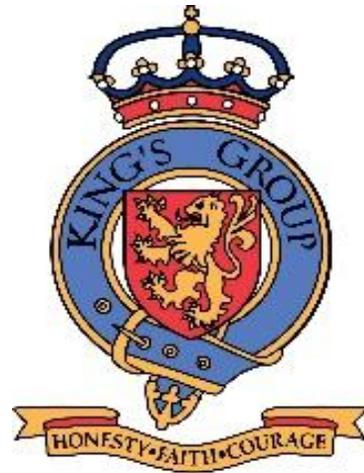


# New Nursery Starter Information Evening

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025

King's Academy Meadow Vale



# Leadership Team



Mrs Catherine Forrester  
Headteacher



Mr Ian Freeman  
Deputy Headteacher



Mrs Victoria Costanza  
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# Our mission statement



*In partnership with the whole school community and through an enriching and inclusive curriculum...*



*...we aspire to nurture and empower every child to flourish through building their confidence, creativity and a love of learning.*



*We will encourage, inspire, champion and support them to achieve their potential so they become assured, considerate, resilient and active members of society.*

# What does a typical day in Nursery look like?

## Morning (9-12) /Afternoon (12-3)

Soft start activities

Register

Adult-led Activity

Choosing Time (Indoors and Outdoors)

Tidy-up Time

Adult-led Activity

Home Time

**11:30-12:30** Lunch Time for full-time Nursery children

# The beginning and end of the school day...



9am drop off point



12pm drop off/collection point  
3pm collection point

# Our Curriculum

Each half term is based around a different key question or topic. A copy of related Curriculum Promises will be sent home with your child each half term to provide an insight into the exciting learning opportunities that have been carefully planned around the main topic. Our *Parental Engagement* section offers suggestions for hands-on activities supporting your child's learning at home.

Meadow Vale Curriculum Promises  
Nursery

At Meadow Vale Primary School, we are committed to providing an enriching and memorable curriculum for our children. Below, are our curriculum promises, which we aim to achieve over the course of the academic year. Your continued support at home, as always, is much appreciated.

## Summer Term 1

<p><b><u>Memorable Experience:</u></b> Grow your own caterpillars.</p>	<p><b><u>Parental Engagement (Home Task):</u></b> Go on a minibeast hunt in the local area – what minibeasts can you name?</p>	<p><b><u>Conversation to have:</u></b> How do we care for growing plants?</p>
<p><b><u>Books to read:</u></b> Sam Plants a Sunflower. The Very Hungry Caterpillar.</p>	<p><b><u>Creative challenge:</u></b> Create egg box caterpillars.</p>	<p><b><u>Something to investigate:</u></b> Examine the key features of the life cycle of a butterfly.</p>



Focus theme: Our wonderful world...|

# EYFS Curriculum Overview

## **The 3 prime areas are:**

1. Communication and language
2. Personal, social and emotional development
3. Physical development

## **The 4 specific areas are:**

1. Literacy
2. Mathematics
3. Understanding the world
4. Expressive arts and design

Our carefully designed curriculum offers a wide range of activities promoting all areas of the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum. Nursery-aged children will be offered focused adult support to develop secure knowledge and skills in the three prime areas.

# Communication and Language

- ✓ Listening, Understanding and Attention
- ✓ Speaking



**Sh**

**Share attention**

Be at the child's level. Pay attention to what they are focused on.

**R**

**Respond**

Follow the child's lead. Respond to their non-verbal and verbal communications. You could make a brief comment on what they can see, hear or feel.

**E**

**Expand**

Repeat what the child says and build on it by adding more words to turn it into a sentence.

**C**

**Conversation**

Have extended back and forth interactions. Give children time to listen, process and reply.

We use the ShREC approach to engage our pupils in high-quality interactions.

# Personal, Social and Emotional Development

- ✓ Self-regulation
- ✓ Managing self
- ✓ Building relationships



The three strands of PSED reflect and promote our School Rules:

**Ready**

ready to learn  
ready to listen  
ready to try hard

**Respectful**

respectful to all  
adults, peers and  
property

**Safe**

safe in and  
out of class



# Physical Development

✓ Fine motor skills



✓ Gross motor skills



# Curriculum enhancements



Mobile farm visit



Butterfly garden project



Train Activity Session



Joint EYFS celebrations

# PE

No PE kit is required for the Nursery cohort



# School Library





# Snack time

Each child needs to bring their own water bottle, which can be refilled with fresh water during the school day. A healthy snack is provided daily in school.



# Lunch time

Full-time children have a lunch in the school hall. We encourage their packed lunch to be healthy and balanced.

From October, once the children have settled into the autumn term, you will be offered to choose a school lunch for your child. School lunch has to be pre-ordered and pre-paid online.

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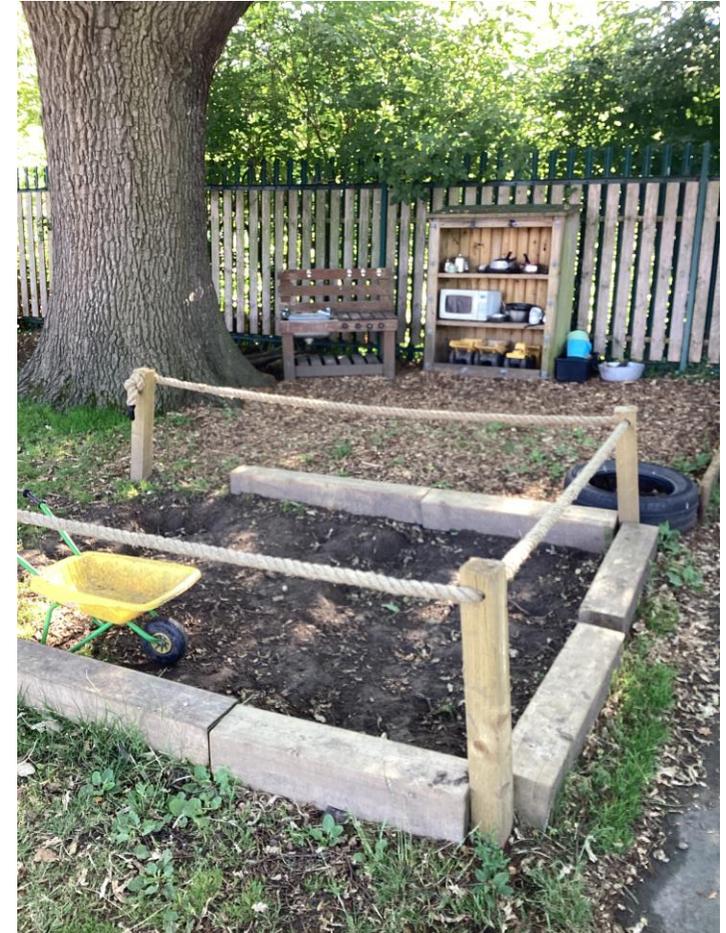


# Our learning environment



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Nursery-aged children also enjoy lunchtime play in their own enclosed outdoor space.



# What will my child need to bring to Nursery each day?

- Water bottle (filled with water, not juice!)
- Packed lunch (full-time children)
- Spare clothes in a drawstring bag  
(lots of spare socks and underwear please)
- A pack of wet wipes
- Wellington boots (to be kept in school)
- Coat or raincoat
- Book bag (available online)



Please ensure that all your child's belongings are clearly labelled.

# Nursery uniform

Our logo uniform suppliers are Brigade. You can find details of the uniform available from [www.brigade.uk.com](http://www.brigade.uk.com)  
Other uniform items can be purchased from the retailers of your choice.

- White long or short sleeved polo shirt (Logo optional)
- Bottle green sweatshirt or cardigan (Logo optional)
- Black tracksuit bottoms or leggings
- Black skirt/pinafore dress
- White or grey socks or tights (no trainer socks)
- Plain black trainers
- Wellington Boots to be left in school

**Please ensure that all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name.**

We promote **outdoor learning**,  
rain or shine!



# Expectations

- School readiness = promoting independence, e.g. putting shoes and coat on or using the toilet.
- Label ALL your child's belongings.
- Attendance and Punctuality
- Greet your child with a smile, not a mobile!
- Report an absence to the school office.
- Sickness and diarrhoea – **48hrs before returning to school.**
- Tapestry - share any learning at home.
- Read to your child daily.
- Open door policy.

# Dates and reminders

## **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

INSET Day – school closed for all children

## **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September, Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September, Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September and Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September**

Home visits

## **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September**

Stay and Play session for Nursery children with parents

## **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September**

Stay and Play sessions for Nursery children without parents. Access to school will be through

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September** – all children start their regular attendance pattern.

# Thank you!



# See you in September!