



# Nansloe Academy & Nursery

Head of School: Mrs L Swiggs

8<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Dear Parents,

A very warm welcome to you all—both to our returning families and those who are joining us for the first time. The nursery team is excited to hear all about the children's summer adventures and to begin getting to know our new starters.

Our nursery team consists of myself, Mrs Burns, and Mrs Jacka. We are all deeply passionate about supporting children in their early years and bring a wealth of experience to our roles.

As you may know, each child has been allocated a keyworker who will spend time getting to know them—their interests, likes, and dislikes—to help build strong, positive relationships. If you haven't yet met your child's keyworker, they will introduce themselves to you over the coming days. Either they or I will always be available to answer any questions or update you on how your child is settling in.

Each half term, we introduce a new topic to the children. You can find more information on our Nursery page on the school website: [Nansloe Academy - Welcome](#). You'll discover lots of useful details and see some of the exciting activities the children have been enjoying.

Our topic for this half term is Settling into My Nursery Classroom and Autumn. Once all our new children are settled into the daily routine, we'll begin exploring the theme of Autumn. Children will take part in 'Welly Walks' around the Nursery and school grounds to discover autumn treasures. We'll explore autumn colours and seasonal foods through a variety of creative indoor and outdoor activities.

Later in the term, we'll shift our focus to Christmas. The children will help decorate the nursery and take part in lots of sparkly crafts. You'll also be invited to watch your child perform in our Nursery Time Nativity, a joyful

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experience where the children sing and act out the traditional Christmas story on stage.

As part of our group learning, children will be encouraged to join in short, focused activities each day. In maths, we'll begin by exploring colours and patterns, followed by matching and sorting later in the term. We'll also introduce Rhythm and Rhyme Time, where children explore sounds and rhythms using musical instruments, treasure baskets, and stories. Keep an eye out for their artwork inspired by these rhymes!

We'll also begin our Dough Disco, Squiggle While You Wiggle, and Boomwhacker Dance programmes, which support pre-writing skills by building gross motor coordination and core strength. These concepts will be extended through enhancements and small group activities with their keyworker during busy learning time.

Our P.E. sessions will begin on Monday 15th September. If your child attends on Monday mornings, please send in a named P.E. kit (shorts, t-shirt, and comfortable shoes) to be kept at nursery. We'll support children in getting changed to help develop independence. P.E. will take place in the main school hall and focus on ball skills. The P.E. day will rotate each half term to ensure all children have the opportunity to participate. Updates will be shared via Tapestry.

Each week, children will visit the school library to choose a story to bring back to nursery and share with their keyworker. This will be recorded in their Reading Record, which will be sent home for you to enjoy together. Please return it weekly so it can be exchanged.

We use Tapestry, our online platform, to share weekly updates, nursery rhyme and maths focuses, and ideas for home learning. We'll also post exciting moments from your child's nursery day. We love seeing photos from home too—please feel free to share special moments your child would like to show their friends.

Each day, please ensure your child brings:

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- A bookbag for transporting library books (please avoid backpacks, as they can be difficult for children to manage independently)
- A packed lunch, if required
- A coat
- A drink of squash or juice may be provided at lunchtime if preferred. Although named water bottles will be provided and refilled as needed throughout the day.

Additional items to be kept at nursery:

- A spare set of clothes (especially during toilet learning)
- Nappies/pull-ups and wet wipes, if needed
- Wellies
- A muddy puddle suit
- A sunhat and sun cream
- An oversized t-shirt for messy crafts
- A P.E. kit (if attending Monday morning sessions)

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak to me or your child's keyworker at drop-off or pick-up, or contact us via Tapestry. We're always happy to help.

Kind regards,

Mrs  
Nursery Lead

Dalley

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