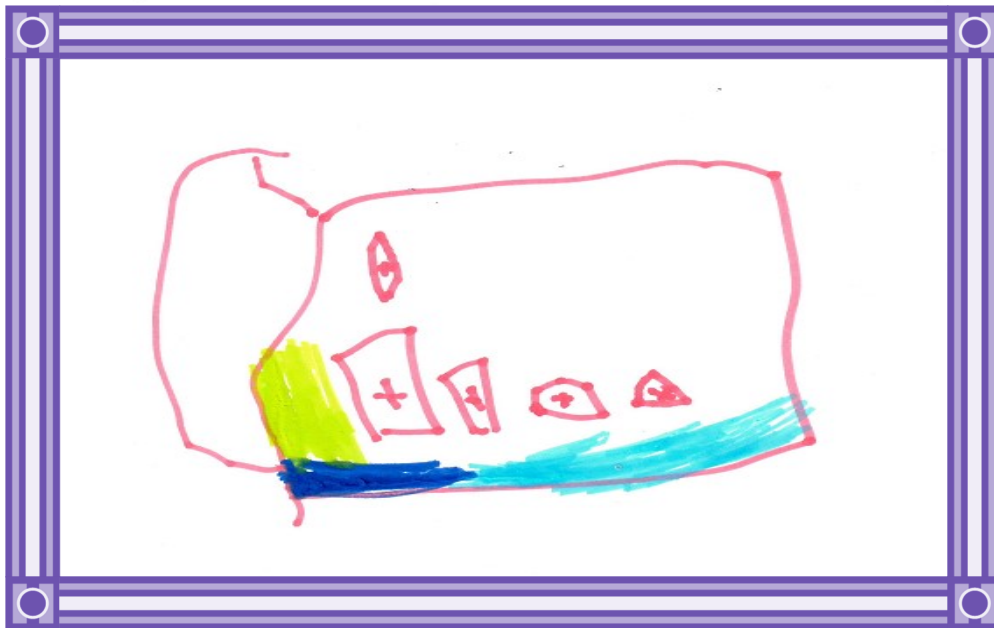




Next Steps Nursery Prospectus



**Working together to build a firm foundation
for learning and caring.**

*'Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them
into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.'*

Matthew 7: 24-25

Welcome to Next Steps Nursery!

Our nursery is a place where all children and their families are listened to, valued and respected.

We provide a safe and secure environment where children can follow their own interests, developing a love of learning through their play. Our nursery is an exciting place for children where they are loved and cared for and offered a variety of real life experiences.

Next Steps Nursery is situated in the grounds of St John's Primary School. The purpose built nursery building is light and airy, with views of the school field and backs on to our woodland area.



The nursery has its own secure outside play area that the children access daily. There are three rooms with exciting activities for children to choose from, we operate a free flow environment and there is opportunity for all children to access both indoor and outdoor play and a large range of appropriate toys and equipment.

Being located directly behind the school's reception classes allows for a smooth transition in the summer term. The children moving on to St John's Primary School have many opportunities in the final term to learn and play with our reception children and staff.



Next Steps Nursery is open for 2 - 5 year olds and plays an integral part in the early years foundation stage, which leads seamlessly into your child's Reception year and beyond into Key Stage One.

The children follow a carefully planned, creative and child-centered approach to education. The emphasis is on learning through play and the children have access to a wide variety of equipment and resources both inside and out.



Key worker

At Next Steps Nursery each child and family will be allocated a 'key person' to ensure that every child's learning and care is tailored to their individual needs.

The key person will engage and support parents/guardians in guiding their child's development both at nursery and in the home. An online journal will accompany the child throughout nursery and will document each child's experiences during their time with us. This will also become a valuable keepsake of the child's early years to cherish for years to come.

Curriculum



Information regarding the curriculum at nursery including progression grids are available on our website:
<https://www.stjohnsmn.co.uk/nursery.htm>

We offer regular Forest School sessions, held within the school grounds in a specially-developed area.



A Typical Day:

8:15	Welcome and Registration
8:30 - 8:50	Group Time - Letters and Sounds
8:50 - 12:00	Continuous provision including forest school groups Key worker time Rolling snack bar
11:00 - 12:00	Group Forest School / Outside Play
12:00 - 12:15	Group Time - Maths focus
12:30 - 1:15	Lunch in the school dinner hall and book share in the school library
1:15 - 1:40	Group Time
1:40 - 2:45	Continuous provision Key worker time Rolling snack bar
2:45 - 3:00	Group Time - PSED Focus (personal, social and emotional)



Lunches

You may choose to either send a packed lunch from home or a cooked lunch can be purchased from the school kitchen during term-times.

Breakfast Club

A Breakfast Club held within the main school building is available from 7.30am is offered by the school and is bookable via the ParentPay system.



Session Times & Costs

Please see below the available sessions and costs*:

Session	Times	Cost 2 yrs.	Cost 3 – 5 yrs.
Morning	8.15 – 12.15	£23.60	£22.00
Morning & lunch	8.15 – 1.15	£29.50	£27.50
School day	8.15 – 3.15	£41.30	£38.00
Full day (including tea)	8.15 – 5.30	£54.57	£50.88

* costs provided are for the 2023/24 academic year.

Fee Structure

Next Steps Nursery is open all year round. However, the nursery will be closed at Easter, Christmas, two weeks in August, the bank holidays and two staff training days. A list with all of each year's closures will be provided.



Funding

Next Steps accepts government funding for two year olds, universal and extended funding for three to four year olds.

All 3 to 4-year-olds in England can claim up to 570 free hours per year. This is calculated as 12 hours a week for 47.5 weeks a year. The funded hours start the term after your child turns three.

You may also be eligible to receive 30-hour funding if you meet the eligibility criteria. This is calculated as 24 hours a week for 47.5 weeks a year. Further information on claiming childcare funding can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/free-childcare-and-education-for-2-to-4-year-olds>

Information relating to funding, including the 30 hour code and details of how the funding may be split with other settings must be provided to the nursery at the start of each term for the duration of that term.

It is the responsibility of the parent/carer to check eligibility, to ensure codes are renewed and to provide information to the nursery as soon as possible.

The following websites provide further information:

<https://livewell.bathnes.gov.uk/children-and-families/childcare-costs>

www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

Contact Us

If you are interested in your child attending Next Steps Nursery, please contact us to arrange a tour which will provide you with further details of all the lovely activities we can offer and provide you with the opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

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