



Welcome to our School

"The start of an incredible journey"

About Us

At Netherton Infant and Nursery school, we believe that learning is a life-long experience. We want all our children to achieve their potential, not only academically but spiritually and emotionally. Friendship, achievement and respect are our three key values which we hope are reflected in everything we do.

**We look forward to
welcoming you!**

Contact :

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Website: www.nethertonian.co.uk

Address: Netherton Moor Lane, Netherton, HD4 7JE.



School Day

School starts at 8.50am and finishes at 3.20pm. Lunchtime is 12.00 – 1pm.

Healthy Schools

Milk and fresh fruit are available for the children and children are encouraged to drink water throughout the day. (Milk is free for Reception children until the term in which they turn five. Mrs. Need will let you know when it is time for you to pay for milk).

Pupil Premium

Netherton Infant and Nursery School recognises that all children, regardless of background, should have equal access to a curriculum which will enable them to reach their full potential. The Pupil Premium is a Government initiative introduced in April 2011 that targets extra money at pupils from deprived backgrounds who research shows under achieve compared to their non-deprived peers.

The Pupil Premium is split into 3 areas:-

- Free School Meals entitlement
- Looked after Children
- Service Children.

School Lunches

From September 2014, all government-funded schools have offered free school meals to every pupil in:

- Reception
- Year 1
- Year 2

Behaviour Management

All the children in our setting are learning how to get along with their peers and developing friendships, sharing and turn taking skills. We operate a positive behaviour management policy which involves all adults seeking to 'spot' and praise 'wanted' or 'good' behaviour through our recognition system.

Expectations of behaviour for children are explained clearly and calmly, so that all children know what is expected of them. Most children very much want to receive the praise that they have heard their friends receive, so 'good' behaviour does tend to spread! Where behaviour falls short of those standards expected, adults explain to children why their behaviour is not what is required, and how the behaviour should be modified. In the event that all attempts at explanation are unsuccessful, or in the event that safety continues to be compromised, they will be allowed 'time out' and throughout the procedure adults will explain calmly and clearly what the unwanted behaviour is and why it is not acceptable.

In Netherton Infant & Nursery School, we believe in:

Kind Hands, Kind Feet and Kind Mouths.

This is reinforced in assemblies and in class sessions, on a very regular basis.

More information about the school can be found on our website at:

www.nethertonian.co.uk

and through our social media posts on Facebook and Instagram.

Absences

Please let school know about the reason for your child's absence either by ringing the school office (01484 661832), ideally before 9am. We do not authorise holidays in term time.

Illness

Children should of course, not be sent to school if unwell. If your child has had any diarrhoea or vomiting, they must have 48 hours clear: i.e. 48 hours from the last incidence of vomiting or diarrhoea BEFORE coming into school.

If your child becomes ill while in school, we will contact you or one of your authorised contacts immediately so that your child can be collected to be cared for and taken to the doctor if necessary. While waiting for collection we will do all we can to keep your child comfortable and to minimize infection risks by segregation where appropriate.

In the event of an accident in school, your child will be cared for by a Qualified Paediatric First Aider. The accident will be recorded according to our policy, which is in line with Kirklees and OFSTED requirements and if appropriate you will be contacted.

If your child needs medicine during the school day, you will need to fill in the relevant form in the office. The medicine will be stored safely and administered by a designated member of staff in accordance with the dosage information you provide. If an asthma inhaler is needed, you will need to fill in the relevant form, however the inhaler will obviously be stored safely in your child's classroom. Please ensure the inhaler is in date and note when it needs replacing.



Parent Contact Details

Please fill out the information form via this link: <https://forms.gle/PzX8F2unHeMGP7hA8> or QR code below – It is CRITICAL that there is always an adult we can contact for every child, so please ensure that you keep the contact information we hold up to date. We are not legally allowed to accept children into our school, for whom we do not hold a valid phone number.

Communication

In September, please download our Parent Hub app as this will be the main way we send information home. You will need to input the following code @Nethertonian, along with the contact phone number you provide us with, when your child first starts.

Newsletters will be uploaded to Parent Hub fortnightly and curriculum overviews, which details each year group's learning, termly.



Collection of Children

As part of the information gathering form, one of the pieces of data we will ask for is the names of those people who are authorised to collect them. If possible it would be helpful if we could meet people who are to collect children for the first time. You could also show us a photograph of someone new. We will NOT be able to let an unknown person collect your child – this is for the safety of your child, so please help us by letting us know in advance if a different person is to collect your child. A password system is currently in place – please give all your designated contacts the password as they will be required to have this information is asked to collect the children at the end of the school day.

All persons collecting your child must be over 16 years of age. We will not release your child to anyone under the age of 16, unless there is another named adult present.

Late collection of Children

Sometimes it may be difficult for you to arrive at school in order to collect your child. It can be very distressing for your child if you are not there to collect them at the end of the session. If you know you will be late, a telephone call to school will allow us to inform your child. We will of course keep your child safe.

In the event that a child is not collected, we will after 10 minutes make repeated attempts to contact the authorised adults for that child.



Jewellery

Jewellery/watches/earrings – for reasons of safety, children are not allowed to wear watches or jewellery during lessons involving physical activity. We would prefer children not to wear jewellery or bring valuable items to school at all: the school cannot be held responsible for loss or damage. If earrings are unable to be removed, we request that parents supply micro-pore tape so that their child's ears are protected during PE.

Children need clothing to match the weather – so in winter they need a warm, waterproof coat which fastens securely, gloves, hat and scarf. Wellies and a puddle suit are ideal and can be kept on a peg in a carrier bag to save you carrying them to school and back each day. If children arrive in school wearing wellies, please send in shoes for indoors.

In summer, all children should have sunscreen applied before coming to school. They should bring a hat and shoulders must be covered.



Toileting Issues

Not all children are completely clean and dry by the time they start in our setting, and when there are accidents we will help your child change into clean and dry clothing. Toileting accidents can happen at any age!

We do have spare clothing in school to use for your child, in the event of an accident. We would ask that this be washed and returned as soon as possible as we tend to run out, especially of underclothing, tights and trousers.

Clothing

The school uniform consists of grey or black skirt or trousers, white or light blue polo shirt, and a navy blue sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan. In summer, there is a blue gingham dress or grey pinafore. It is **VERY IMPORTANT** that you put your child's name in any clothing which is likely to be removed; otherwise there is little we can do if items become lost.

The school uniform and puddle suits can be purchased at Natasha's Uniforms in the town centre but you do not have to have uniform with our logo - uniform items can be purchased reasonably in supermarkets.

Black school shoes are required, no trainers please.

PE Uniform

For children in Reception, PE uniform should be worn on the days that children have PE. You will be informed of these days by the class teacher when your child starts school. The PE uniform consists of black/blue shorts or joggers and a white t-shirt (Natasha's Uniforms stocks a white t-shirt with Netherton logo, but you can use a plain white t-shirt). On colder days, children will need a blue hoodie or sweatshirt. Black trainers or pumps can be worn.

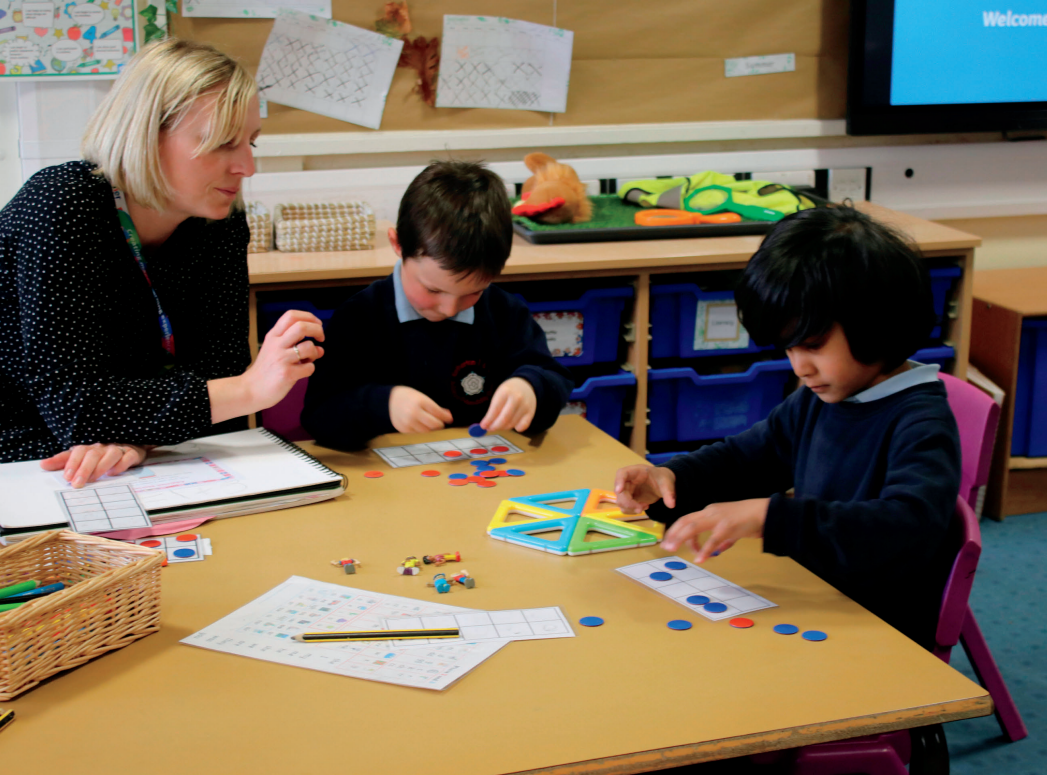
Library Books and Reading Books

At the beginning of the new term, children will begin to form words using phonics using our Little Wandle phonics scheme. More information about this can be found on our website. All children are given the opportunity to bring home sounds/words that they are learning plus a sharing book from our school library, which they can choose to change once a week. This really helps children to develop an enthusiasm for books and children really look forward to sharing the book with you at home!

Reading with your child is best done in a quiet place – definitely with the TV turned off – and when your child isn't tired. If they don't feel like reading, it is better to leave it and choose another time rather than fall out over it, as reading should be something which they learn to love.

We're teaching every child to read with Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised
A complete SSP validated by the Department for Education





School Dinners

Reception children can either have a school dinner or bring a packed lunch. We are a 'Food for Life Partnership' school and offer excellent quality food at lunchtimes, made on the premises from fresh ingredients. Children are encouraged to select a balanced meal and vegetarian options are always available. If your child is bringing a packed lunch, please encourage them to make healthy choices. Please do not put sweets into their lunchboxes. Drinks should be in a carton or plastic bottle – no fizzy drinks are allowed.

ParentPay

We use a cashless system - ParentPay - which allows you to pay online using your credit/debit card and will be our preferred method of making payments. For ParentPay you will have a secure online account, which you will access by using your unique username and password. Once you activate your account, you will be prompted to create your own username and password which you must keep safe for future use.

To activate your account please login to www.parentpay.com, go to the account login area on the homepage and enter the username and password you will receive once your child starts school.



After School Clubs

We host a variety of after school clubs throughout the year once children reach KS1. These include Art Club, Lego Club and Choir.

Clubs usually run as a half term course, working towards individual and whole group projects. Past projects include lantern making to be used at the school's Christmas Lantern Festival and performing a choir piece at the Kirklees Musical Festival.

Prices for these clubs vary depending upon the club provider and the number of weeks in the half term. Places are limited, so it is essential to book quickly.

Forest School

We are very lucky to have our own Forest School area on our school grounds. All children across school have access to the Forest School provision at varying times throughout the year.

As part of the KS1 curriculum, all year 1 and 2 children will attend Forest School for a 5 week series of sessions. Each week has a different theme, usually based on a children's reading book. During the session the children will have the opportunity to make crafts, climb trees, build dens, dig and wide variety of other activities.

You will be notified when it is your child's turn to attend, including a description of weather appropriate clothing; Forest School still goes ahead whatever the weather!

Reception children will access Forest School throughout the year, you will be notified when you child may need to wear different clothing for this type of activity.

Wrap Around Provision

At Netherton Infants we offer fabulous wrap around care for all our children from Nursery to Year 2, based in our school hall and run by our two highly experienced members of childcare staff.

Breakfast club opens from 7.30am and After School club runs until 6.00pm. During this time there will be lots of exciting activities both indoors and outdoors for your child to take part in. Breakfast and a small after school tea are included in the price.

There are limited places for this provision and booking is essential. For more information on how to book and prices, please contact the school office.



Meet the team...



**Mrs Lodge - Class 1 Teacher
and Early Years Leader**



Mrs Heap - Class 2 Teacher

Support & PPA Team



Mrs Byrne



Mrs Hepworth



Mrs Pogson



Mrs Ramsden



Mrs Senior