FAQ’s

* **Can my child bring a lunchbox?**

Yes Nursery children are able to bring a lunchbox and water bottle. Please practice with your child opening their lunchbox, although the staff will help, it makes them feel more confident when they can do it themselves. Please remember we are a **nut free** school and have staff and pupils with allergies so we cannot allow products like Nutella in our nursery.

* **Can I send spare clothes with my child?**

Yes. We always have spare clothes, however most children feel more comfortable in their own clothes. We understand that children have accidents, either toilet or simply having too much fun in the water! Please send their clothes in a bag that can be left at school for the term- it helps to put in extra layers like jumpers, scarves and hats for when the temperature drops too.

* **Will you be able to comfort my child if they are upset?**

Yes. We pride ourselves on how caring and nurturing our nursery is, we will always meet the emotional needs of your child.

* **My child needs help/is still learning to toilet train will you be able to help them?**

Most of the children need support especially at the beginning of nursery, it helps to talk to your child about asking us for help with wiping bottoms. Think about the clothes they wear, can they get their bottoms down easy? With nursery being fun and distracting many of the children leave it to the last minute and a lot of accidents occur because they struggle to get their trousers down fast enough due to tricky buttons. On the home visit we will talk to you about where your child is with their toilet training, please be honest if it has been tricky for you, we have years of experience of toilet training young children and so we are happy to help.

* **My child has asthma can you give them their inhaler?**

Yes. Please ensure you have filled out the permission sheet and that your child’s spacer and inhaler is clearly labelled and kept in their bag with their spare clothes. Please make a note of the use by date.

* **My child has a comforter/ special toy, can they bring them to nursery?**

No. We have always discouraged children bringing in toys from home as they can become very upset if they get lost or broken. We are trying to limit the number of items going between home and school. If this is a concern please discuss with the staff on the home visit.

* **Do they have to wear a uniform?**

No. Children who have older siblings sometimes like to wear a uniform so they feel grown up too, however this is a personal preference. We talk to the children about the weather and choosing clothes that are appropriate for the weather conditions. Remember there is no bad weather just the wrong clothes. For further information please see the nursery handbook.

* **Can I come inside nursery if my child is upset?**

Normally we love having parents in the nursery, however to enable us to keep nursery running as normal as possible we have had to make some changes. This means if your child is struggling to separate from you, you will not be able to come inside the unit. We will ask you to move aside to allow other children in as we have a small amount of time allocated for drop off (it can help to look through the windows and talk positively about what they can play with and who they can see) Although this can feel stressful try to remain calm and positive. If you have any concerns please discuss this with Miss James on the home visit, as every child is different and we will tailor our response based on what will work best for them.