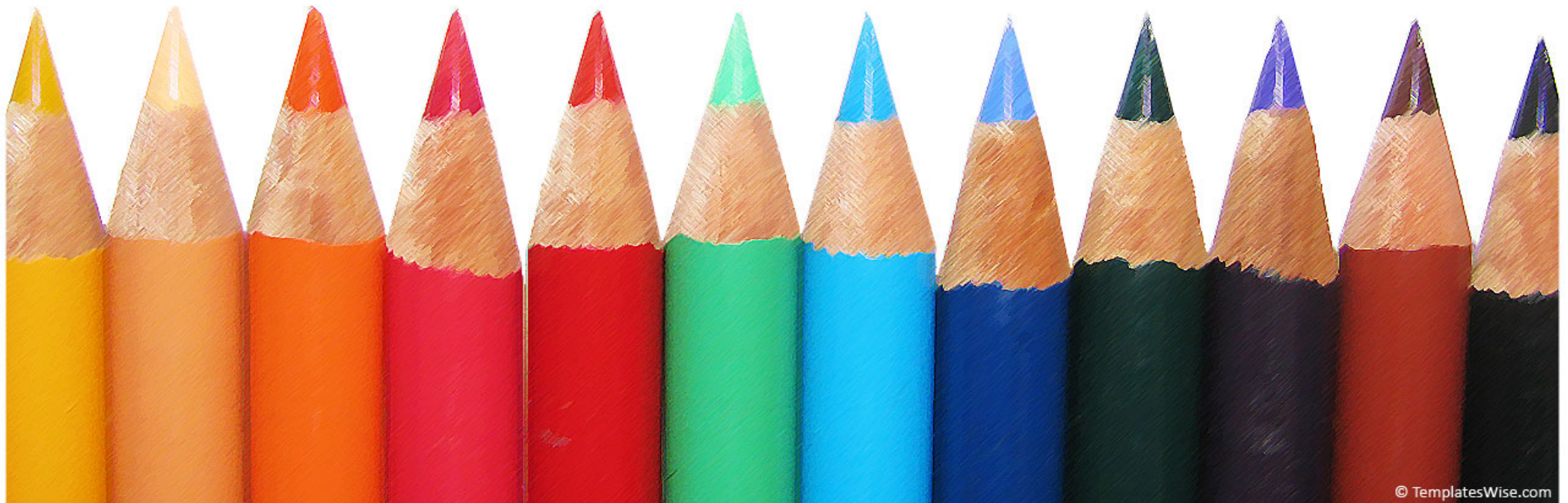


WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S
New Starters Information
Nursery Cohort
2020-21



What is EYFS? Early Years Foundation Stage

- The Development Matters document along with the EYFS statutory guidance creates a national curriculum for children aged 0-60 months
- 7 areas of learning
- All areas of learning are reflected inside and outdoors



7 Areas of Learning

3 Prime Areas

Personal, Social and Emotional Development
Communication and Language
Physical Development

4 Specific Areas

Literacy
Mathematics
Understanding the World
Expressive Arts and Design



Transition

Due to Covid-19 we are working very hard to make the transition into Nursery as smooth as possible.

Welcome Booklet

As you and your child will be unable to visit the school before September, we will email everyone a photobook. By sharing this book together at home, we hope this will help to prepare your child for their upcoming move into Reception.

Meet the Teacher

We will be offering everyone the opportunity to have a virtual 'hello and chat' with their new class teacher. These will take part at the start of July and details will follow in due course.



A typical session

- Arrive and welcome
- Focus and teaching session
- Variety of activities self selected
- Snack time
- Free flow inside and garden area
- Tidy up time
- Singing and Story time session
- Home time



Start Dates

We cannot make any arrangements at the moment. This is the model that we usually follow. A staggered start with of four groups:

2nd week in September Group 1 start
3rd week in September Group 2 join
4th week in September Group 3 join
1st week in October Group 4 join



Timings

- Morning session from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- We have a 'soft' start and finish.
- Doors open in the morning at 8:50 a.m.
- Doors open at the end of the session at 11:50 a.m.
- 15 hours entitlement for the week



At the start of Nursery we focus on:

- Making friends
- Separating from parents and carers
- Learning classroom rules and daily routines
- Building relationships with adults in the setting



Preparing for starting Nursery

- Use the toilet independently/with some adult support but not wearing nappies
- Wash and dry hands
- Put on their coats
- Take shoes on and off
- Talk about their needs e.g. I need a tissue, I need help.



Daily Snacktime

- Time together to talk
- Fruit
- Milk or water

Everything is provided by the school



Information About Your Child

Medical Information

Please inform us if your child has a medical condition as there may be additional paperwork to complete before they can start school. Please inform us if they have any allergies including food allergies..

Additional Needs

If your child has a diagnosed Special Educational Need or any additional needs, please inform us. Our Inclusion Manager and SENDCo is Mrs Jane Bolton. Email: aen@st-andrews-enfield.enfield.sch.uk

Religious Preference

If we need to make specific arrangements due to a religious preference please inform us, for example if your child does not eat certain types of food because of religious reasons.



If Your Child Is Unwell

- Mrs Sarah Hatchett is our Welfare Assistant.
- If your child is unwell during the Nursery session, we will contact you to collect them.
- Please make sure contact details are kept up to date.
- If your child has been vomiting or suffering from diarrhoea. Please keep them away from school for 48 hours, from their last bout of illness.
- In all cases of absence please leave a phone message on the first day of absence.
- If your child has a medical appointment during school hours, please let us have a copy of the appointment letter.



Covid-19

- We have a risk assessment in place for the current pandemic.
- This is a 'live' document that is subject to change due to the nature of the current situation.
- As and when required, the most up to date information will be shared with our new cohort.



Uniform

- Uniform list in our school website
- Royal blue tracksuit with logo
- Light blue polo shirt
- Navy blue PE style shorts (for summer)
- Sensible flat shoes or trainers
- School fleece (optional)

- Sweatshirt only available from Smiths in Lancaster Road
- Other items available from local supermarkets



Welcome Meeting when the children have started

- Chance to meet the staff team
- See classroom environment
- Find out about the curriculum
- Find out about class systems and routines

We also have a Story Café every term.



Our PTA Parent & Teachers' Association

- Dedicated team that fundraise for our school which is essential in this time of pressured school budgets

We hold a range of events across the year such as:

- Family Bingo Night
- Parent Ball
- Quiz Night for parents
- Disco for children
- Christmas Cracker
- Mother's and Father's Day gift sales
- Happy Bag company recycling scheme
- Summer Fayre



Governing Body

For more information please see the Governor tab on our website

- They have a duty to collect annual maintenance contribution, currently £35 per child.
- This money helps to ensure that the buildings are kept in good condition.

Please complete the Gift Aid form posted in your pack. So far, this year we will be able to claim approximately £3,000 from HMRC in Gift Aid contributions.



Communication

- Website including calendar of key events
- Text messaging system
- Letters via email
- ParentPay online payment system e.g. monies for trips
- School Newsletters and Class Newsletters

- Parent drop in evenings in Autumn and Spring term
- End of year written report
- Tapestry online photo based system to share day to day learning
- Open door policy
- Staff always available for a quick message
- Arrange a short meeting with staff after the session



Information Pack

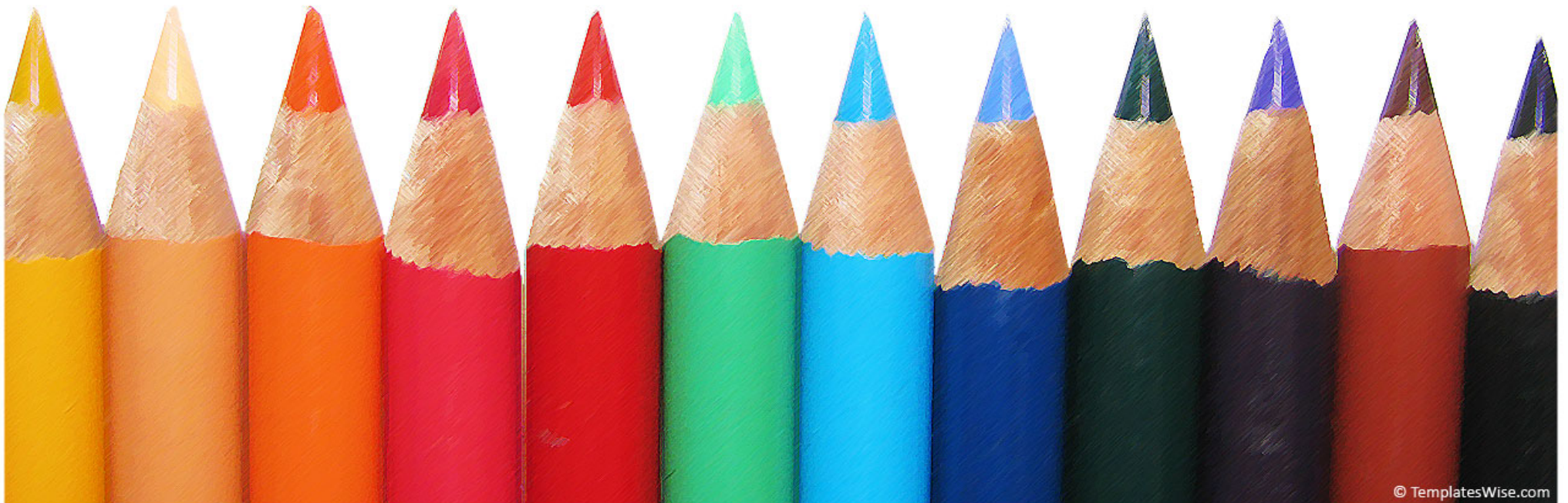
Please complete and return the pack that has been posted out with forms for:

- Contact details
- Emergency contact details
- Medical information
- Gift Aid form

Your child will not be able to start in Nursery unless these forms have been completed and returned to the school office.



We look forward to welcoming you
and your child to our new
Nursery cohort 😊



If you have any questions please get in touch with us via the office phone number or email.

Tel: 0208 363 5003

Email: admin@st-andrews-enfield.enfield.sch.uk

