

Welcome to St Mewan Nursery

Our friendly and knowledgeable Nursery Team have years of experience in supporting children in their early years. By providing a wide range of play and exploration opportunities for your child, our aim is to successfully support them across the key areas of development. We aim to develop great foundations of knowledge and understanding that will give your child the best possible start on their journey through their school years.

Meet our team

Early Years Lead – Mrs Rogers
Nursery Lead – Miss Rowe
Deputy Lead – Mrs Bromley
Nursery Practitioner – Mrs Ferkin
Nursery Practitioner – Mrs Kant
Nursery Practitioner – Mrs Berry
EYFS Operational SENDCo – Mrs Doran

Opening times

Our nursery is open from 9am – 3pm, with wraparound care available, at an additional cost, from 7.30am and up to 5.30pm.

We will greet your child at the gate of the Early Years play area. This is also where your child will be dismissed. If you are dropping off or collecting your child at any time other than 9am or 3pm, please ring the bell situated on the gate.

If for any reason you are unable to collect your child, please inform the team at drop off, or via the dojo app, or by calling the main office, who will be collecting them. If the person collecting your child isn't someone who would usually collect, they will require a password, which you can inform us of on the day.

Uniform and Spare clothes

Uniform isn't compulsory in nursery, however, we find most parents like to have specific nursery clothes that are ok to keep getting messy. The St Mewan Nursery jumpers can be purchased from Screenprint, St Austell. Many children also wear a white polo shirt and grey or black trousers/shorts/skirt/dress.

We LOVE getting messy! It's how we learn. Sand, water, soil, paint, and glue are just some of the things your child will come into contact with on a daily basis.

We have a selection of waterproof trousers and jackets but ask that you please provide a pair of wellies to keep at nursery throughout the week.

It's an idea to pack a couple of sets of spare clothes including pants, socks, t shirt, jumper, trousers/ shorts or skirt/dress.

It would also be a great help if you could label all your child's clothes. It makes it much easier to ensure your child returns home with all their own clothes. You can imagine how tricky it is to correctly return 30 St Mewan Nursery jumpers a day.

Snacks and Lunches

For children attending early wrap around provision, breakfast will be served between 7.30-8.15am.

Our nursery snack is provided mid morning and follows the Healthy Cornwall Early Years guidance.

A hot lunch can be purchased from the canteen, via the School Comms app, or your child is welcome to bring a packed lunch. We asked that hot lunches are booked before 8am on the day they are required and can be booked a week or so in advance.

Children are encouraged to bring a named water bottle in with them that they have access to at all times, and can be filled up by us throughout the day.

For children attending the after school wrap around provision, a snack will be served at 3.45pm.

Please make us aware of any food allergies or dietary requirements.

Library Sessions

We are very lucky to have access to the school Library and access this facility every week where possible. The children who access the library will have the opportunity to choose and take home a book to share with their family. We ask that these books are returned the following week so your child can choose a new one.

This is one of the ways we encourage and develop a love for reading at an early age. We hope your child will enjoy showing you the book they have chosen and talk to you about what is on each page.

Tapestry

On or just before your child's start date in our nursery, you will receive an invitation for Tapestry, our online learning journals. This is a great way for you to see what your child has been up to during their day and see how they are developing their knowledge and understanding through play.

You are also able to use Tapestry to share things with us that your child has enjoyed at home. We love to see what your child enjoys doing outside of the setting, from beach trips to garden picnics, creating art work to trying new food, we honestly love it all.

Please see enclosed Tapestry consent form for you to complete.

Class Dojo

You will also be sent an invitation to join Class Dojo. Class Dojo is a great way to keep in touch and how whole group, class or school messages will be posted too. If you need to get a message to us about your child, this can be the easiest way to do so if you can't see us in person.

Key Person

Once your child has settled in we will allocate them a Key Person, depending on which adult they make the strongest connection with.

The Key Person will be responsible for overseeing the learning and development of your child and for ensuring the provision best suits your child's needs.

If at any time you would like to meet with your child's Key Person, feel free to get in touch and this can be arranged.

Medication

We are able to administer prescribed medication. Please see our website for our Medicine policy.

First Aid

There is likely to be a time that first aid will need to be administered to your child. Our team are all first aid trained with several of them also being fully qualified pediatric first aiders.

If your child does have an accident at school, you will receive a white slip with the details of the accident and treatment received.

Sickness

If your child is off poorly, we ask that you pop us a message via Dojo, or call the school office to let us know.

If your child has been sick, please bear in mind they can not return until 48 hours has passed since they were last sick.

Please see our website for our full school sickness policy.

Funded Childcare

To find out what funded childcare you may be able to access, please visit the website below. This will also direct you to the correct website to apply for your free childcare and how to request a code for this.

www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

Any childcare booked over and above your allocated funded hours will be invoiced monthly.

Dual Placement

For any child who also attends another setting, we love to be able to work in partnership with their setting to ensure the best possible start for your child. Please provide us details of any other settings attended.

If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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The Nursery Team