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Ms Petra Wigzell - Headteacher

It is a pleasure to introduce myself as the Head Teacher of Winterbourne Nursery and Infant school.

At Winterbourne Nursery and Infant School, our school motto is "Inspire, Learn, Be Proud". This is at the heart of everything that we do. We aspire to teach our children to be proud of who they are, to develop a love of learning and to celebrate their achievements, inspiring them along the way.

Our curriculum enables each and every 'Winterbourne Child' to progress from their individual starting point. Through a warm and nurturing environment, the Winterbourne Child is able to express a sense of confidence and develop the ability to challenge themselves and take ownership of their learning journey.

Our website has been designed to give you a flavour of the learning experience that we offer to our children, however there is no substitute for visiting our school and so we urge you to come and visit us when our children are working so that you can see first-hand the caring environment that our staff work so hard to establish.

I look forward to welcoming you to our Winterbourne Family.



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OUR SCHOOL

Winterbourne Nursery and Infant School is situated in Thornton Heath, Croydon, in the heart of our community. Our children attend the school from ages of 3 to 7 years old.

Our school community represents a variety of different nationalities, cultures and interests and provides a rewarding blend of understanding and respect, which recognises the similarities between people, as well as their differences.

Our vision is to provide a warm, caring and stimulating infant environment, which encourages, values and celebrates diversity and individual excellence.

We aim to make a difference to every child, regardless of any barriers to learning they may face. We want to instill a life-long love of learning in every member of the school community. We wish to equip all pupils with the skills necessary to become interesting, well-rounded individuals, who in turn will make a difference to others in their lives.

OUR VALUES AND AIMS

At Winterbourne Nursery and Infant School, we believe that high expectations, respect and a love of learning contributes to success in school and in later life. Through our engaging curriculum, personalised learning and supportive community; we enable our pupils to flourish, feel safe and believe in themselves.

Our school is a warm, caring and positive place, where you will always feel welcome. We have high expectations of all the members of our community; the staff, the children and the parents.

At our school, our values underpin all that we do.



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Our 5 key values are:

Curiosity **Honesty**

Kindness **Bravery**

Independence

We also have a value of the month that becomes the focus of our assemblies and discussions.

SCHOOL VALUES



Values of the month

September	Friendship
October	Respect
November	Confidence
December	Peace
January	Acceptance
February	Honesty
March	Independence
April	Kindness
May	Perseverance
June	Achievement
July	Courage

OUR PROVISION

Winterbourne Nursery and Infant School is a large infant school, we have Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes. We also have an Enhanced Learning Provision (ELP) for Reception age children.

We are extremely lucky to have a large outside space and a turfed area for the children to get fresh air and exercise.



Nursery and Reception have their own outside areas, where their learning extends from the classroom. Years 1 and 2 have a large playground for break and lunch times. We also have a quiet space, with a story chair, perfect for sharing books.

Our secret garden is an additional learning space, where our children take their learning outside, grow flowers and vegetables and observe nature at it's best!



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ADMISSIONS

Nursery

If your child is already 3 years old, they can attend our nursery from September. If your child turns 3 years old between September and December, they can start nursery in January. If your child turns 3 years old between January and March, they can start nursery in April. Please contact the school office to get an application form and find out more.

Reception

Your child can start Reception in September 2025 if they were born between 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021.

Applications for a Reception place for September 2025 need to be made by January 2025 to the Local Authority, via Croydon eAdmissions.

Reception ELP

To apply for our reception aged ELP your child needs an Education Health and Care Plan. Please enquire with your EHCP Case Worker to apply.

In Year Admissions

Should you move to the area and wish to transfer to our school, we welcome in-year admissions. Please contact Croydon Admissions to apply.



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OUR SCHOOL DAY

We are also part of Family Action's National Breakfast Programme. Family Action deliver fresh bagels to our school every week to ensure that every child in our school receive breakfast before they start their learning. To find out more about the National Breakfast Programme please click on this link: <https://www.family-action.org.uk/what-we-do/children-families/breakfast/>

In addition to the breakfast club, the school distributes bagels on a trolley positioned outside the school entrance every morning from 8:25 to 8:45 a.m. 'Bagel Buddy'. The buttered bagels are immensely popular, offering a warm and inviting start to the day. Children eagerly flock to the trolley upon spotting Bagel Buddy, often seeking out a hug from her. Rain or shine, bagels are ready, earning the respect of parents who appreciate the assurance that their children will always have the option of enjoying a bagel.



At our school, we believe every child as a right to education every day. Hero Bear reminds us of that every Friday! We expect our Winterbourne children to be at school every day, promptly when the day begins.

Nursery

Morning session: 8.45am -11.45am

Afternoon session: 12.30pm -3.30pm

Reception

Begins at 8.45am and ends at 3.25pm.

Lunch: 11.20am - 12.20pm

Reception ELP

Begins at 8.45am and ends at 3.25pm.

Lunch: 11.30am - 12.30pm



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Year 1

Begins at 8.35am and ends at 3.25pm.

Lunch: 11.45am - 12.45pm

Year 2

Begins at 8.35am and ends at 3.25pm.

Lunch: 12.20pm – 1.20pm

SNACKS AND DRINKS

Every child has access to a piece of fruit every day. Children in Nursery and Reception, who are not yet 5 can receive free milk. Please visit www.coolmilk.com to register. We encourage every child to bring a named water bottle in to school.

LUNCH TIME

Every child in Reception to Year 2 will receive a free school meal every day. This is a hot, cooked, nutritionally balanced meal that is delivered to us by our caterers and eaten in a pleasant dining experience. Every child is given a drink of water with their lunch. If you wish to opt out of this free entitlement, please come to discuss further options for lunch with the Head Teacher.

Please note: **WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL**





OUR SCHOOL CURRICULUM

THE EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE

In Nursery and Reception, we follow the EYFS curriculum, where we learn through play. This builds the foundation of every child's learning and prepares them for Key Stage 1 and beyond.

At the end of the Reception year, every child is assessed against the Early Learning Goals, for each Area of Learning.

The Prime Areas			
Personal, Social and Emotional Development	Communication and Language	Physical Development	
The Specific Areas			
Literacy	Mathematics	Understanding the World	Expressive Arts and Design

KEY STAGE 1 CURRICULUM

In Years 1 and 2, we follow the National Curriculum.

At the end of Year 1, the children will take part in the Phonics Screening Check.

Subjects		
English	Mathematics	Science
Computing	History	Geography
PSHE	Art	Design and Technology
Music	Religious Education	Physical Education



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WRAP AROUND CARE

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast Club runs Monday to Friday from 7.45am until your child starts school at either 8.35am or 8.45am. Breakfast Club is just £2 per day and includes a nutritional breakfast for your child.

Winterbourne Breakfast Club

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Food 	Cornflakes Weetabix Multigrain Hoops Cornflakes Porridge 50/50 toast Low sugar Jam /butter Fruit of the day Fruit yoghurt	Cornflakes Weetabix Multigrain Hoops Cornflakes Porridge Bagels Cheese, Cream cheese spread Fruit of the day Fruit yoghurt	Cornflakes Weetabix Multigrain Hoops Cornflakes Porridge Pancakes with berries Fruit of the day Fruit Yoghurt	Cornflakes Weetabix Multigrain Hoops Cornflakes Porridge Waffles with berries 50/50 toast Low sugar Jam /butter Fruit of the day Fruit yoghurt	Cornflakes Weetabix Multigrain Hoops Cornflakes Porridge Pancakes with berries Fruit of the day Fruit yoghurt
Drinks 	Water Apple Juice Semi-skimmed milk	Water Apple Juice Semi-skimmed milk	Water Apple Juice Semi-skimmed milk	Water Apple Juice Semi-skimmed milk	Water Apple Juice Semi-skimmed milk
Activities 	Board Games The Daily Mile	Dance Puzzles	Board games	Story corner	The Daily Mile

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Junior Adventure Group (JAG) deliver our after school club provision. The sessions run from 3.30pm – 6pm everyday and costs £12 per session. Please enquire at the office for further information from July 2025.



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OUR WIDER CURRICULUM

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

After School clubs run Monday to Thursday, until 4.30pm for years 1 and 2. There are a number of clubs to choose from, including football, multi-skills sports, tennis, bikeability and

dance. All clubs have a fee, however, if you are

eligible for Pupil Premium funding, clubs are free. Please contact the school office for a Pupil Premium eligibility form. You will receive a letter informing you of the fees of the various clubs.



WE ARE AN INCLUSIVE SCHOOL



At Winterbourne Nursery and Infant School, we are proud to have a diverse community that reflects many backgrounds, beliefs and religions. We want all of our children to be proud of who they are and where they come from.

Meeting the needs of every child is at the heart of what we do. All teachers plan the learning for their classes based on the needs of the children. Learning is set according to where your child is at, ensuring they make good progress throughout the year.

OUR UNIQUE APPROACH



At Winterbourne Nursery and Infant school, we pride ourselves on our creativity and fun approach to learning. We encourage the children to be excited about all subjects, starting each new learning journey with a 'WOW day!'. This hooks the children in, to be excited about what learning is going to



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happen.

We host various curriculum days and weeks throughout the year, such as Number Day, International day, Refugee week, Art week, Science week, Neurodiversity Celebration week and World book day to name but a few. We have our resident HERO bear to encourage consistently good attendance and Phonics bear to make Phonics even more exciting!



All children learn differently; at different rates and in different ways. We are all individual! We are proud not to label our children and to instead recognise the individual strengths of every child. Some children learn differently and will need some support with this, however, it does not change who they are.

As a key value, honesty plays a huge part in supporting your child. Honest and open conversations between parents and staff are designed to ensure we meet the individual needs of the child and enable them to have the support they so require. Should you have any concerns about your child's learning, please talk to your child's class teacher in the first instance. The class teacher will then liaise with one of the two SENDCos.

Our policy for SEND is based on the SEND Code of Practice. This policy can be viewed on our website, as well as accessing many resources to support you and your child.

SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES (SEND)

The Universal Approach:

At Winterbourne Nursery and Infant school we endeavour to meet the needs of all children within our school, through Quality First teaching and the universal approach. Such strategies include each class displaying and using visual timetables, pictorial and concrete resources being used to support and consolidate learning, teachers incorporating movement breaks for the whole class and reduced language being used within the class when needed. Students with an SEND support plan have individualised targets which



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are worked on daily by the class teacher and class TA. These are reviewed every 6 weeks by the SENDCo and class teachers.

Little Stars:

Little Stars is an SEN provision provided by our school to educate children with social communication difficulties/moderate learning difficulties. The provision is a long term intervention, with the view for the children who attend it to graduate back to their mainstream class once they are 'school ready'. Little Stars is a flexible group that adapts to the needs of the children from Reception to Year 2.

Little Stars focusses on developing social skills, listening and attention, communicating and interacting alongside the Early Years curriculum. The children are taught by 4 highly trained specialist SEN staff members who include Makaton, Attention Autism, TEACCH®, now and next boards, Picture Exchange Communication System, additional visual aids and reduced language in their approach.

The children have scheduled time with their class teacher in their mainstream classroom before and after Little Stars.

The morning session runs between 9.00 – 11.30 and the afternoon session runs between 12.30 – 3.00.

Cosmic Crew:

Many children can find handling their emotions, staying focussed in class or having confidence a challenge. A child needs to be happy, safe and secure in order for them to learn at the best of their abilities. Cosmic Crew is an intervention that supports KS1 children with their Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) needs alongside learning the core subjects. The group is delivered by trained members of staff, 1 of whom is an ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant). Phonics, spellings, Mathematics and English are taught every morning along with the newly implemented Hamish and Milo SEMH scheme.

Little Rockets:

Little Rockets is a group to support children who are finding it difficult to access the mainstream curriculum in KS1. The group runs from January for a minimum of 1 term to accelerate the progress across the foundation subject curriculum and mathematics. Learning consists of discussion based and practical tasks, making learning fun and in context for the children.



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Little Rockets runs in the afternoons for 75 minutes by highly trained members of staff.

Sensory differences:

At Winterbourne we pride ourselves on always doing our very best to accommodate the differences of each child so they can get the most out of their education with us. We are trained in sensory differences and understanding that some people are sensory seeking and some are sensory avoidance. To support this, staff have regular training to be aware of this in their classrooms. All staff also allow children to have scheduled whole class and individualised movement breaks. Sensory circuits are also timetabled for children who require this.

Mini Stars:

Mini Stars is designed to educate children with social communication difficulties/Moderate Learning difficulties. The provision is a long term intervention, with the view for the children who attend it, to graduate back to their mainstream class once they are 'school ready'. The intervention is fluid and responds to the needs of the children in the Nursery cohort.

Much like Little Stars, Mini Stars will focus on developing social skills, listening and attention, communicating and interacting, alongside the Early Years curriculum. The children are taught by highly trained specialist SEN staff members who will include Makaton, Attention Autism, TEACCH®, now and next boards, Picture Exchange Communication System, additional visual aids and reduced language in their approach. The children who will attend Mini Stars will have opportunities to engage and interact within the Nursery provision during the session. Currently the capacity for the group is 6 children.

The sessions will run every afternoon, 12.30 – 3.15.



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ELP (Enhanced Learning Provision)

The provision will run for a whole day, 8.45 – 3.25, in line with the mainstream Reception.

Focus will be on developing social skills, listening and attention, communicating and interacting alongside the Early Years curriculum. The children are taught by 4 highly trained specialist SEN staff members, one being the provision lead. Strategies to teaching include Makaton, Attention Autism, TEACCH®, Skill School, PRINS, now and next boards, Picture Exchange Communication System, additional visual aids and reduced language in their approach.

SAFEGUARDING

Winterbourne Nursery & Infant School adopts the definition used in the Children Act 2004 and in 'Working together to safeguard children'. This can be summarised as:

- protecting children from maltreatment
- preventing impairment of children's health or development
- ensuring that children are growing up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care
- taking action to enable all children to have the best outcomes.

Safeguarding is not just about protecting children from deliberate harm. It relates to aspects of school life including:

- pupils' health and safety
- the use of reasonable force
- meeting the needs of pupils with medical conditions
- providing first aid
- educational visits
- intimate care
- internet or e-safety



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OUR SCHOOL UNIFORM

Wearing a school uniform creates a sense of pride and belonging. Our children are a part of our school community and being proud of who they are within our school is important.

Our school uniform can be bought from Bubble Gum Schoolwear in Thornton Heath and Hewitt's in Croydon.

Our school uniform is as follows:

grey skirt or pinafore

shorts or trousers

white polo top

summer dress

red jumper or cardigan with school logo

black shoes (with Velcro).



PE KIT (KS1)

red T – Shirt, black shorts, black plimsolls



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