

Friendship and Learning



Welcome to Crosscrake Nursery

Information for prospective
and new parents.





Starting nursery is a very special time in family life and we are delighted your child is joining us here at Crosscraze. Right from day one, we are committed to providing the best possible start to your child's education.

We promote children's development in-line with the principles of the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum and the Characteristics of Effective learning.

The Early Years curriculum is a play-based framework which we use to plan and provide a wide range of play activities following the children's interests.

The characteristics of learning are embedded throughout everything that we do which are modelled to the children through sensitive and well-timed support. This approach ensures all children reach their full potential.

We look forward to welcoming you all to Crosscraze CE Primary and Nursery School.

Our people.

At Crosscrake Nursery we have a knowledgeable and friendly team who have a great deal of experience in working with children and families.

We operate a key worker system in the Foundation Stage, this allows the key worker to follow children's passions and interests which will promote their well-being and self esteem and enable children to become interactive learners.

Whilst a key worker system is in place, all the staff work together and have an active role in teaching and supporting the development of the children.

Teachers.

EYFS Leader Mrs Brown

Key Workers Mrs Birks

Headteacher Mrs Fletcher

School Office Mrs Stephens

Further information of our other teaching and support staff, plus term dates and latest news, can be found on the school website:

www.crosscrake.cumbria.sch.uk





Nursery Sessions

Monday to Friday, 9am - 3pm

Wrap-Around Care

Term time only, 8am - 5pm,
Held in Class 1, Foundation Stage Classroom
£4.90 per hour / £3.50 for lunch

Places are available from 2 years of age.

If your child is unable to attend school, please
telephone the school office before 9.30am
- telephone 015395 60410.

What children will need.

There is no uniform for children at Crosscrake CE Nursery. We suggest dressing in easy to pull-up and down, comfortable, washable play clothes for independence.

Accidents do happen, so we request a drawstring bag with a full change of clothes which can be left at school.

For younger children in nappies, please send in nappies/wipes as required

We are very much an 'all weather' school and encourage children to explore the outdoor environment.

We therefore request a pair of wellington boots, a waterproof coat and trousers(or splash-suit) which, again, we ask to be left at school during term time.

Please remember to name all items!



Health information and allergies.

Please let staff know as soon as possible of any medical conditions or allergies.

We may ask you to complete a Health Care Plan, so that we can ensure all the team are all fully aware of your child's needs.

Home to school communication.

Working closely in partnership with parents is very important to us and we recognise and value that parents are the first educators and your knowledge and views are paramount in ensuring we are able to provide the best possible care.

Observations on your child's learning will be recorded onto TAPESTRY, an online and easy-to-use online learning journal which helps schools record all the learning and fun of children's early years education.

Staff are able to capture children's experiences, as well as monitor development and learning, which are then securely shared with parents through the App so that children's special moments and their progress can be viewed.

Tapestry is very secure and is used by hundreds of nurseries, pre-schools and schools across the UK.

If you or your child have any worries or difficulties, please talk to one of the staff so we can sort out any issues as soon as possible.



School admissions.

Please note that admission to Crosscrake CE Nursery does not guarantee a place in Reception Year when your child is old enough to begin school.

Parents need to apply using a Cumbria County Council application form which is available from the school office or can be downloaded from www.cumbria.gov.uk

The closing date for children starting Reception Year is early January for the academic year starting the following September.

Please ask if you would like to see our Admissions Policy.

Scholar pack.

Every term at Crosscrake has so many activities and events taking place, and we ask parents to please sign up for email and text communications from the school - it's free and a convenient way to keep up to date!

You can also link our school calendar to your smartphone, just head over to the school website and follow the simple instructions.

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Governing body.

We have an excellent Governing Body, who work with the Headteacher and staff to ensure our School is the best it can be. They support the school through strategic monitoring and planning activities.

PTFA

The Crosscrake School Parents, Teachers and Friends Association (PTFA) plays an invaluable role raising money and supporting our school. It is very sociable and fun, where new parents can make friends with other families and become part of the wider school community.

www.crosscrake.cumbria.sch.uk/ptfa

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At Crosscrake, our aim is to provide a stimulating and challenging environment, where children feel safe to explore and develop a lifelong love of learning.



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