

# SPRINGBANK ACADEMY NURSERY



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# HEADTEACHER'S WELCOME

## Mr Adam Lumley



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A warm welcome to you from all of us at Springbank Academy! We are absolutely delighted that you are considering joining our community, where every child is valued, and their potential is celebrated. At Springbank, we believe in creating a nurturing and supportive environment that fosters the growth and development of each child, both academically and emotionally. We invite children to embark on their educational journey with us from as early as three years old. Our dedicated team is passionate about ensuring that your little ones not only settle in quickly but also thrive in their learning journeys. We pride ourselves on offering quality wrap-around care, available from 8:00 am to 5:30 pm each day, to accommodate the busy lives of families while ensuring that children feel safe and cared for during school hours.

At Springbank Academy, we are keen to let children shine and blossom in every aspect of their development. Our goal is for every child to feel happy, secure, and excited about learning.

**"Children in the early years foundation stage (EYFS) settle quickly. They learn effectively across all areas of the curriculum. Adults interact purposefully with children. They use questions effectively to extend children's thinking. Every opportunity is taken to develop children's communication and language skills. Children are curious and industrious learners. With the support they receive, they become increasingly independent. Children's personal, social and emotional development is a priority, in both the indoor and outdoor learning spaces."** Ofsted November 2023

Our aim is to create a caring atmosphere where children can build relationships, explore the world around them and develop the skills to navigate their educational journeys and beyond.

At Springbank, we recognise that collaboration between children, parents, governors, and staff is key to success. We work together, with open lines of communication, to ensure that we are continually striving to offer the best possible educational experience for our pupils. We are also excited to offer a range of options and hours tailored to meet the diverse needs of our families. This flexibility allows you to utilise funding effectively while keeping everything in one convenient place.

To learn more about what we offer, please visit our website, where you will find a wealth of information, including application forms and booking options. If you would like to see our school in action and have a chat about how we can support your child's learning and development, we warmly invite you to book a visit. Our wonderful team would be thrilled to show you around and answer any questions you may have.

We are genuinely looking forward to the possibility of meeting you and welcoming your family into our vibrant Springbank community. Together, let us create an enriching and enjoyable learning experience where every child has the opportunity to flourish!

Warm regards,  
Mr Adam Lumley  
Head Teacher

# OUR SCHOOL VALUES



Springbank Academy and Nursery is a place where all our children, staff and wider school community can excel in an environment where they feel safe, happy, and cared for. We are a school that is committed to providing a high standard of education for every pupil, and pursue excellence at every opportunity.

We see ourselves at the heart of the local community, in a partnership with parents and carers, offering excellence in education and helping the children to learn the core learning skills they will need for their future.

Our curriculum and values will inspire everyone in our school family to be motivated and curious learners, and offers the core skills, knowledge and enrichment to enable all to gain the foundations for a quality future and a love for life-long learning.

To the right is our STARS, showing the values important to everyone in school.

Springbank is a place where ALL of our children, staff and school community will be safe, happy and cared for. Our curriculum offers skills and enrichment so that EVERY child is able to gain the foundations for a quality future life and a love for life long learning.

Our motto "Where dreams are realised, and success is celebrated" sets out our mission for the school.

**S**elf-regulation

**T**eamwork

**A**mbition

**R**espect

**S**trength

Our commitment to excellence in education and learning and our partnership with parents and the local community extends beyond the school day to include a number of extra-curricular activities before and after school. We believe learning isn't restricted to the classroom and that every child who comes to Springbank has an entitlement to a range of visits and experiences that enrich and enliven the curriculum. Outdoor learning, creative arts and being eco-friendly all form part of our teaching and learning programme.

# ABOUT SPRINGBANK ACADEMY PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL



Visitors often comment on the special atmosphere they find here. It is a friendly and welcoming place where pupils feel secure and supported – the perfect environment for learning. We encourage all our children to think creatively, set themselves high standards and to work hard to achieve their full potential. Our school is at the heart of the community in Eastwood. We welcome participation by parents and carers in all aspects of school life and we look forward to working in participation with you. No one knows your child better than you, and for this reason we very much value your co-operation.

At Springbank Academy we strive to maintain consistently high standards and to nurture talents and strengths so that every child can achieve success. We work to develop an excitement and enthusiasm for learning which we hope the children will take with them through their lifetime. We strive to make the world a richer place by promoting high standards of behaviour and learning. Our school motto, 'Where dreams are realised and success is celebrated' encapsulates our approach and the belief and value we place in every single one of our children.

If you would like to find out more, I would be delighted to show you around so that you can see the school in action. Please contact the office to make an appointment.

# OUR CURRENT NURSERY AND EARLY YEARS TEAM

## Miss Beeching Nursery Teacher

As the nursery teacher, one of the most rewarding parts of my job is watching the children develop and grow, both academically and personally. It's incredible to witness their curiosity bloom and see them gain confidence in their abilities. I believe that communication and play are essential to building social skills and laying the foundation for lifelong learning. Through play children develop problem-solving abilities, creativity and emotional intelligence. Guiding them in this early stage of life is truly fulfilling, as I see firsthand how these foundational skills shape their future success.



## Mrs Shipman Nursery Practitioner

I have worked in the nursery for many years, I love everything about Early Years education, as everyday there is always something new to learn. Seeing children grow in independence and develop their own special personalities is the most rewarding part of my job. I am passionate about early language development. It plays a vital role in how children communicate their basic needs and feelings, develop relationships, think and learn in their play and understand the world around them. I can't wait for you to join our Springbank Academy family.



## Miss Walters Reception Teacher and EYFS Lead

As the EYFS lead I oversee all the Early Years classes in school. I currently teach full time in the Reception class but spend time in nursery getting to know the children and forming relationships ready for when they start school. If you choose Springbank Academy as the right school for your child, and their application is successful, they will get to experience a transition period in the summer term and get to know the routines and staff. I am always available for questions and look forward to meeting your child as they start their nursery journey.



## Miss Hatton Cover Supervisor

As cover supervisor I get to spend a lot of time working with different age groups and seeing how the children's learning progresses as they get older. I enjoy working in the nursery and helping the children develop their play skills and independence. I love singing and being creative and it's a joy to share these skills with the children. Getting to know the children and their interests is my favourite part of the job.



# NURSERY DAY AND SESSION TIMES

## WHERE TO COME

At the beginning of the session, children are collected by staff at the pedestrian gate. This develops their independence and helps with separating from parents. They walk to nursery with their friends and the nursery staff.

At collection time parents are invited to collect their child from the nursery gate which provides the opportunity for feedback and any questions.



## SESSION TIMES

The children in our nursery develop a strong sense of routine, expand their social skills and learn through a variety of well-planned play-based activities. We focus largely on communication and language ensuring our children have the skills needed as they move up through school.

Our morning session starts at 8:30am and finishes at 11:30am.

Our afternoon session starts at 12:30pm and ends at 3:30pm.

The children with 30 hour entitlement stay for lunch and their day runs from 8:30am and ends at 3:30pm with a small charge to cover the lunch time supervision. This includes a hot meal.

## NURSERY ACTIVITIES

As well as learning through play, the children will take part in carefully structured teacher led activities to challenge and enhance their learning.

These include:

Maths

Phonics

Writing

Song/Story time

HeartSmart PSHE

Philosophy for Children



# CELEBRATING OUR LEARNING

## LIBRARY FRIDAY

Each Friday parents are invited into nursery, this is a great opportunity to choose and share a book each week. The children share the rhyme of the week and we discuss the weeks learning.

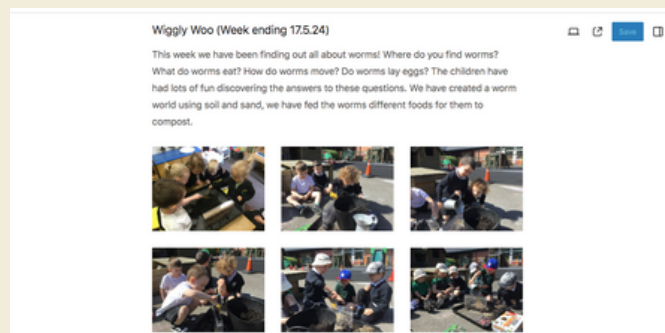


## CHILDREN'S ACHIEVEMENTS

At nursery we celebrate all of the children's achievements. We love seeing any certificates or awards your child has received outside of school. We also celebrate 10 book awards within nursery and the children receive a small prize.

## BLOG

Each week we share our learning and photos through a class blog. This is accessible via our class page on the school website. This is a great tool for you to use to talk with your child about what they have learnt.



# WHAT WE HAVE ON OFFER

Fully funded places or 15  
and 30 hours.

Transition days into the Reception class  
(subject to being offered a place through the  
school admissions process)

A hot and healthy school meal at  
lunchtime (at a small additional  
cost).

Access to the full EYFS  
curriculum and ELS  
Phonics

## Extended School Day

**Breakfast Club - 8am - 8:50am**

A healthy breakfast will be provided if your child arrives before 8:25am. Please make sure your child doesn't arrive before 8am.

**Wrap-Around-Care 3:15pm - 5:30pm**

Our dedicated team provide reliable after-school provision. This is an excellent opportunity for your child to unwind, have fun and enjoy a variety of activities in a nurturing fun environment.

Your child will be provided with a variety of snacks and drinks.

We can't wait to welcome you!

For pricing please contact the school  
office or visit our website.





# GETTING READY FOR NURSERY

## PSED

- I can sometimes share toys and take turns.
- I enjoy being with other children.
- I like playing games with others.
- I am confident interacting with other children.

## SELF-CARE

- I can go to the toilet on my own, wipe properly and flush.
- I can wipe my nose.
- I can open wrapper and packaging for food.

## PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

- I can pedal a trike.
- I can climb confidently.

## CLOTHING

- I can pull up my own pants and trousers/tights.
- I can put my own shoes and socks on.
- I can put my own coat on and have a go at the zip.

## LISTENING AND UNDERSTANDING

- I can follow instructions.
- I am able to sit for a short while.
- I understand the need to follow rules.

## LITERACY

- I can repeat words or phrases from familiar stories.
- I like to share stories and look at picture books.
- I like asking questions.
- I enjoy singing songs and rhymes.

## SPEAKING

- I have clear speech that can be understood by others.
- I can put up to 5 words in a simple sentence.

## MARK MAKING SKILLS

- I enjoy drawing freely.
- I am practicing holding a pencil.
- I can make marks for my writing.

## MATHEMATICS

- I enjoy practising counting objects..
- I can take part in finger rhymes with numbers.
- I can count in everyday contexts.

Everyone starts nursery with different abilities - your teacher will help you progress at your own level

# THE EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE CURRICULUM

The Foundation Stage Curriculum is for all children from birth to the end of Reception year. The curriculum is play based and the children have opportunities to learn through focused activities with an adult and through their own exploration.

There are seven areas of development as follows:

## THE PRIME AREAS

**Personal, Social and Emotional Development** - Self-Regulation, Managing Self, Building Relationships

**Communication and Language** - Listening, Attention and Understanding, Speaking

**Physical Development** - Gross Motor Skills, Fine Motor Skills

## THE SPECIFIC AREAS

**Literacy** - Comprehension, Word Reading, Writing

**Mathematics** - Number, Numerical Patterns, Shapes

**Understanding the World** - Past and Present, People and Communities, The Natural World

**Expressive Arts and Designs** - Creating with materials, Being Imaginative and Expressive

## TOPIC ENHANCEMENTS

Alongside the continuous provision we enhance the curriculum through different topics. This gives the children a breadth of experiences and introduces new vocabulary to their learning in a fun and engaging way.

More information about our topics can be found on our class page.

The topics are as follows:

All About Me and People Who Help Us

Into the Woods

Home and Away

Down on the Farm

Down at the Bottom of the Garden

By the Sea

# ADMISSIONS

## Nursery Places

We provide a safe, happy, stimulating, and friendly environment for children to feel part of our Springbank family and to give them the best possible start to their Nursery experience. We encourage children to become confident, independent learners, who are curious and ready to investigate the world around them.

If you would like to arrange a visit or to apply for your child's place in our nursery, please complete the application form which can be found in the admissions tab on our website and email it back to [nursery.admin@springbank.academy](mailto:nursery.admin@springbank.academy) as soon as possible.

Every child is eligible for free Nursery education from the term immediately after their 3rd birthday. Government funding provides a maximum of 15 hours per child, which can be offered during term time only. Some parents are eligible for 30 hours free childcare; you can check your eligibility and find more information using the links below:

<https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare> or  
<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>



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