



St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School

Head teacher: Mrs. C.M. O'Hara B.Ed DPSE (Mus)

"Recognising and celebrating the presence of Christ in one another"



Tuesday 2nd March 2021

Dear Parents,

On behalf of the Governors, I am pleased to offer **NAME** a place in the Nursery at St. Mary of the Angels School for September 2021. This place will comprise of 5 mornings, each one being 3 hours long. Term will commence on **Monday 13th September 2021 at 8:40am**, for all children.

The following opportunities are now available to you and your child: (subject to change due to CoVid restrictions):

- **Monday 14th June 2021 - An extensive Virtual Induction Meeting** for parents of Nursery children will be posted on the school website. The virtual meeting will support you in getting to know about our school and our routines. It will also have all relevant documentation for your information including a chance to sign up for your home visit as detailed on the website.
- **Tuesday 22nd June 2021 between 6-7pm-** opportunity for parents only to take part in a site walk around with staff. This will be a chance to see the school and the Early Years setting, first hand.
- A chance for your **child to visit our Nursery setting** and enjoy the Nursery routine before starting school will take place on **Tuesday 13th July 2021**.
- A **chance for you to apply for 30 hrs (full time) provision**, free of charge if you meet the Government prescribed criteria. (Please see information overleaf with regard to Full time provision). If this is a provision, you wish to take advantage of, the school must receive the 11-digit code provided by the Government before the end of the school year, otherwise the full time place will not be funded. We advise accessing the portal by 25th June 2021, and the code must be updated and valid past 1st September 2021 to ensure funding is received.

It is important to understand that a place in the Nursery does not guarantee a place in the following year's Reception Class. Places for Reception will be dealt with in the second half of the Autumn Term 2021, by the Local Authority.

I would be grateful if you could complete the proforma attached and return it to the school office as soon as possible and no later than Monday 29th March 2021. If we have not heard from you by then, we will assume you no longer require a place for your child at St Mary of the Angels.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C O'Hara
Headteacher

Application notes for 30 hour Nursery Provision

The 30 hour Nursery provision means that your child could attend our Nursery all day. A hot dinner and a lunchtime break will be provided, before the afternoon session starts, at a cost of £2.00 per day.

We currently have **82% of our children taking advantage of full time provision** and they are really making good progress from their starting points.

If you do not qualify, but would still like to take advantage of the 30hrs provision, this is also a possibility.

Currently, we have parents who sign a contract and pay for the extra 15hrs provision each week at a cost of £12 per day (£60 per week). Again, this includes lunch.

Finally, if you are not interested in full time Nursery for your child, there is also an option here at St Mary of the Angels, for part time provision. We currently have 3 part time children who attend each morning, who also make progress from their starting point. In September 2021, part time children will start at 8.40am and leave at 11.40am.

How to Apply:

- <https://www.gov.uk/apply-30-hours-free-tax-free-childcare>
- Complete section 'Apply online'
- Select 30 hours' free childcare
- Follow the link
- Allow 20-25 minutes to complete
 - Have your National Insurance number
 - Your unique Taxpayers Reference if you are self employed
 - The date you started or a due to start work date
 - Details of any other government support you get
 - Government Gateway password and user name (this can be accessed via the application if you do not have one).

Follow the advice and you should you be eligible you will receive your 11 digit validation number which you will then bring into school along with the validation date. Please be aware that this process will need to be completed every term. Happy validating! Look forward to hearing from you.



NURSERY OFFER RETURN

Name of Child: Date of Birth:

Address:

Post Code: Tel No:

- We will/will not be accepting the place offered to our child at St. Mary of the Angels Nursery for September 2021.
- We will/will not be attending the Induction meeting on Tuesday 22nd June 2021 as scheduled on the Early Years Induction Page of our school website from Monday 14th June 2021.
- We wish/ do not wish to apply for a Fulltime place and will/will not be making appropriate steps to apply for this, via the Government Gateway system, in the Summer term 2021.

Signed: Parent/Guardian

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