

Welcome to



Chulmleigh Nursery





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Chulmleigh Primary School & Nursery

In the Nursery, the Pre-school children are known as Tigers, and the younger children (2-3 years) are known as Tiger Cubs. In Reception, the children are called Lions.



Saffron Slade

(Foundation Stage Senior Practitioner)



Ruth Welch

(Early Years Lead/ Reception Teacher)



Charlotte Stapleton
Lion Room



Nicola Webber
Tiger & Cub Room



Becca Harrison
Cub Room

The Foundation Stage Practitioner Team

We work as a team so feel free to chat with any of the Nursery staff should you need any support or need to pass on information. We will ensure any information is passed on to your child's key worker.



Abigail Short
Tiger Room



Ellie Gibson
Cub Room



Lisa Heap
Cub Room

The Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum

Each half term, we introduce a new theme to provide inspiration for learning, whilst providing the flexibility for children to follow their own interests and ideas. Our unique layout allows the children to have space to learn through adult-directed activities but also there are plenty of opportunities to develop learning through play. We like to learn and have lots of fun at the same time!

The Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum consists of three prime areas (Communication and Language, Physical Development and Personal, Social and Emotional Development) and four specific areas of learning (Literacy, Mathematical Development, Understanding the World and Expressive Art and Design).

Environment

We carefully plan the environment to support both indoor and outdoor learning. Each age group have their own designated area designed specifically for their developmental stage. We also have our own Early Years outdoor area and conservatory space.

Tiger Cubs (2- 3 Years)



Tigers (3 - 4 Years)



Morning Routine

The gate to the Nursery opens at 8.50am, children need to arrive by 9am when the gate closes. If the gate is closed then please report to the school office (if you start at 12 then please ring the bell on the gate). Once all the children have arrived we start our day with a morning circle time and sing our hello song, we share news and it's an opportunity for some of the children to show what they have brought to Nursery. We then get our bodies moving with some dancing/ yoga, which is great for building strength and coordination and to keep fit! We then focus on our fine motor skills engaging in activities such as 'Write Dance', cutting and sticking, painting, practising writing skills and learning to form letter shapes. We always have a morning snack and plenty of outdoor play.

We have our lunch together in the Nursery and this is followed by a quiet/ sensory time in the setting. During the afternoon, we engage in lots of listening games, counting and singing! The children have lots of opportunities to listen to stories daily.



Food and Drink

We provide healthy snacks and fruit which children help to make (making sure that individual dietary needs/ allergies are clearly marked on children's records). We teach children about nutritious foods. Daily fruit is provided and children are offered milk each day.



Parents can order school meals via MyEd. Children can bring a healthy packed lunch to school. In accordance with the Early Years Foundation Stage nutrition guidance (2025) we encourage children to eat a balanced diet containing a wide variety of foods. Please do not bring foods containing nuts into the setting. Cut small round fruits like grapes, cherries, berries, strawberries and cherry tomatoes, into small pieces. Packed lunches are kept on the lunch trolley. We do not have provision to refrigerate or reheat food brought it from home.

We use snack/ lunch time as a social occasion, encouraging children to become independent in feeding themselves and setting up the environment (i.e laying the table and putting the appropriate number of chairs around the table). Children are taught to wash their hands before eating and all children are taught to sit at the table when eating.

We know how important it is for children to stay hydrated. We encourage children to bring named water bottles to school. Fresh drinking water is always available.

Toilet Training

We have our own designated changing area, which is warm and comfortable for the children. When children are ready, then we work with parents to support with toilet training. We have a small toilet for children to use on their first steps in toilet training. Once they are confident then they progress to using the girls and boys early years toilets.

Sleep

We have a designated area for sleeping during the day. We have small beds and mattresses to make this a soothing and comfortable time for the children.

End of the day

At the end of the day the children are sent out from the Conservatory. They will only be passed to an authorised contact. Should you not be able to pick up your child at the end of the day, please notify the school as soon as possible. We operate a password system where a child is to be collected by an adult that does not regularly collect a child.

Rewards

We focus on rewarding children for all the wonderful things they do in Nursery, this includes sharing, caring, being polite, helpful and independent. We use stickers, jewels on buckets and superstar stamps. We make sure we tell the children why they are being rewarded.

Breakfast and After School Club

The school offers a breakfast club from 7.30am to 9.00am from Mondays to Fridays and an After School Club from 3.30 - 6.00pm from Mondays to Fridays. Bookings should be made via MyEd. If you attend breakfast club then please access the school via the school office and you will be greeted by a member of our breakfast club team.

Payments

Chulmleigh Academy Trust schools are cashless. All payments for Nursery sessions are made via our payments App.

What you need to bring...

- Nappies (nappies, wipes and nappy sacks). We have a basket for each child which we keep by the changing area.
- You can choose to wear our Nursery jumpers which you can purchase online from Thomas Moore. Children need comfortable clothes which are easy to put on and take off. Children also need suitable footwear for indoor and outdoor use.
- Labelled water bottle.
- Additional spare clothes. Children can keep these on their pegs at Nursery.
- Waterproof coat.
- Wellington boots (these can be kept at Nursery).
- Waterproofs for our outdoor exploring sessions.

PLEASE MAKE SURE ALL ITEMS OF UNIFORM ARE CLEARLY LABELLED

Sickness/Absence

If your child is unwell, please telephone the school, or send a message via our communications App - MyEd, before the start of school, to inform us your child is going to be absent. Please keep us informed if your child remains unwell by sending a message via the App or leaving a message on the answerphone each day.

Medical Conditions

Please inform us immediately of any medical conditions or allergies that might affect your child. This information needs to be kept up to date so any changes need to be relayed as well. If your child requires medication at school, you will need to sign a form to say you are happy for us to administer this. Any medication, including Asthma inhalers and spacers, needs to be clearly marked with your child's name and dosage on please.

Communication

We value the importance of shared communication and want to establish this from the start of their Nursery journey. Both Saffron (Foundation Stage Practitioner) and Ruth (Early Years Lead) are available at the beginning of the day for quick catch-ups. Please contact Saffron Slade via email if you would like to arrange a meeting for a longer conversation.

Please contact Saffron to arrange a settling in session as we feel this helps the children to familiarise themselves with staff and the setting before starting at nursery.

You can see what your children has been learning in school by logging into Tapestry throughout the year. If we do not yet have your email address, please let us have it so we can register you with Tapestry. If your child does something at home that you would like to add to this Learning Journey, you are able to upload photos or descriptions of what they have done too.

If you would like to discuss your child's needs with our school Special Educational Needs and Disability coordinator, Theresa Niejadlik then please do so via email.

Session Times

Please see the Chulmleigh Academy Trust Nursery Admissions policy (page 6) for the session times:

<https://www.chulmleigh.academy/attachments/download.asp?file=853&type=pdf>

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any queries or concerns. We will always make time to talk to you if you have questions. It is really important to share information so that we can all do the best for your child.

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Safeguarding Children

The Safeguarding Team Includes:

 <p>Mr N Payne CEO Safeguarding Oversight</p>	 <p>Mrs A Pook Head of Primary Education Designated Safeguarding Lead</p>	 <p>Mrs S Healey Head of School Designated Safeguarding Lead</p>
 <p>Mrs J DeFuyck Senior Teacher Deputy Safeguarding Lead</p>	 <p>Mrs L Anderson OOSC Supervisor Designated Safeguarding Lead</p>	 <p>Chulmleigh Primary School & Nursery</p> <p>It is the view of Chulmleigh Primary School that the welfare and safety of all pupils in our care is our first priority. The Directors and Staff of Chulmleigh Primary School are committed to the principle of safeguarding children and will share concerns with relevant agencies if they arise.</p>



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