



Newland House
School

EARLY YEARS HUB

NURSERY AND RECEPTION
AGES 3 – 5



ISI rated excellent*

WELCOME TO THE EARLY YEARS HUB

I am delighted to introduce you to our new Early Years Hub which sits at the very heart of the Pre-Prep and marks the start of your child's journey through Newland House School.

It is here that we lay the foundations of a child's love for learning. We foster a happy, caring environment which ignites curiosity and interest and encourages all our children to create, experiment, explore and discover their own brilliance.

Choosing a school is a significant decision for parents and we are aware of the trust you place in us to nurture your little one's potential. At this crucial early stage in their schooling, we want every child to feel valued so that they can develop their self-confidence and ensure that they rise to any challenge and find success here at Newland House.

Our dedicated and approachable staff draw upon a wealth of Early Years and Key Stage 1 teaching experiences. We take time to listen to every child and skilfully guide them using thoughtful questioning and interactions, no question is too small, and we are always available (on the gate, via email, in a formal meeting) should you need our support or advice.

We take great pride in watching our Nursery and Reception children flourish and develop as enthusiastic, resilient, and engaged life-long learners, perfectly prepared for their next steps in the Pre-Prep and beyond.

I look forward to speaking with you about all we have to offer and welcoming you into the Newland House community.

Mrs Sophia Excell,
BSc Hons (Bristol), PGCE
Deputy Head (Pre-Prep)



Happiness remains at the core of our ethos; it is the most crucial ingredient to a child's future success and underpins our approach to every school day.



LEARNING IN THE EARLY YEARS HUB

Children in Nursery and Reception are collectively termed as being part of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) and in the Early Years Hub we fully embrace the EYFS curriculum.

Small class sizes allow us to understand what inspires each child and, as a result, we can tailor the children's experiences to their individual needs and styles.



Our approach revolves around nurturing the fundamental building blocks of effective learning:



Playing and Exploring



Creating and Thinking Critically



Active Learning



Within our broad curriculum, we blend discovery through play with carefully structured learning, including interactive whole class, small group, and 1:1 teacher led activities. Our passionate specialist teachers deliver lessons in French, Music and P.E. All children will visit the school library and the younger pupils have a cooking session. Every year there is always the opportunity to perform on stage too!

Your child will be gradually eased into more formal learning as their time in the Early Years Hub progresses. We introduce phonics through the Read Write Inc phonics scheme which teaches children the phonemes (sounds) in English, the letters (graphemes) that represent them, and how to form the letters when they begin to write. We focus on strengthening foundational knowledge of numbers through repetition and problem solving and favour an interactive and hands-on way of learning.

ENRICHING ENVIRONMENT

Inside the classrooms, children have access to a range of carefully chosen, high-quality, learning and play resources - perfect for Early Years development.

We are also creating 'The Den,' a new dedicated library and inviting reading space, flooded with natural light, that will provide lots of opportunities for sharing books and chatting with one another.



Our (off site) Forest School sees the woodlands become our classroom as children explore, investigate, take risks, develop key skills and apply what they know to new situations and problem solving, all in a planned environment.



Mrs Laura Berdan,
MA (Cantab), PGCE
Nursery Manager



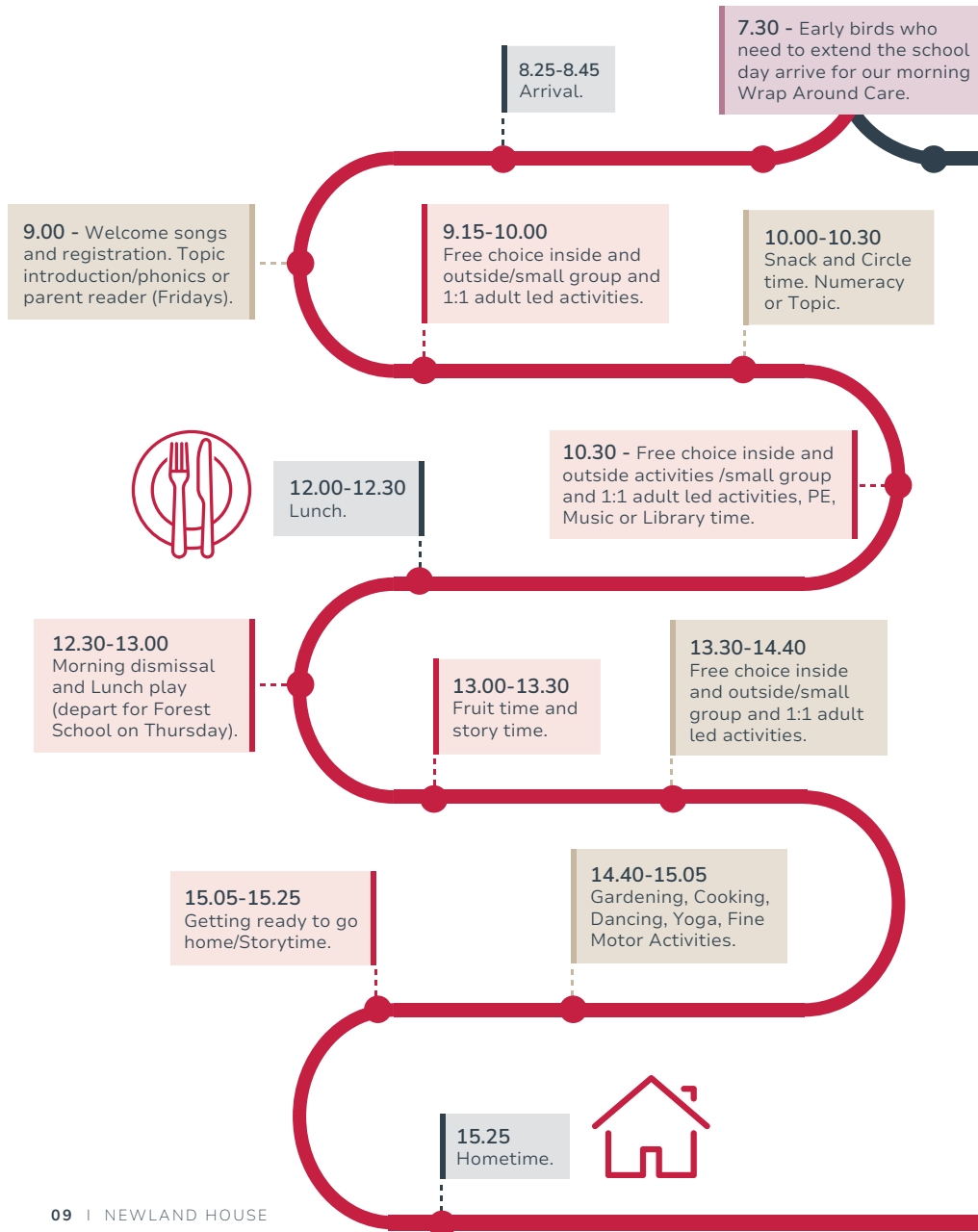
Mrs Laura Clouting,
BA Hons (Kingston), PGCE
Head of Early Years

Outside, we have designated learning areas, including the outdoor classroom. Your child can enjoy exploratory play with water and sand, riding bikes and scooters, construction, climbing on outdoor apparatus, reading, role play and small world resources.



A TYPICAL DAY IN THE EARLY YEARS HUB...

NURSERY AT NEWLAND HOUSE



RECEPTION AT NEWLAND HOUSE





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