



Stepping Stones Pre-school at Newlyn School  
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## Welcome to Stepping Stones Nursery!

Dear Parent/Carer,

A very warm welcome to **Stepping Stones Nursery**, where curiosity, creativity, and a love for learning begin! We are thrilled to have your child join our nurturing and inspiring setting.

At Stepping Stones, we care for children aged **2 to 4 years** and offer a joyful and stimulating environment where every child is encouraged to explore, grow, and thrive. Your child will join one of our vibrant classes – **Pasties, Piskies, or Pirates** – each filled with adventure, discovery, and community spirit.

We follow a **book-based curriculum**, using high-quality stories to inspire imagination, build early literacy, and support holistic development. Through play, exploration, and meaningful experiences, children develop essential skills and confidence.

To enrich our curriculum further, we are proud to offer a range of **wonderful enrichment sessions**:

- **Little Artists with Annie** – creative, hands-on art that brings out every child's inner artist.
- **Toothbrush Club** – encouraging healthy habits through daily brushing fun.
- **Cooking Thursdays** – exploring ingredients, following recipes, and enjoying the joy of cooking.
- **Forest School** – weekly outdoor adventures that build resilience and a love for nature.
- **Little Riders** – developing coordination, balance, and confidence through riding sessions.
- **Story Dough** – combining sensory play and storytelling to build language and fine motor skills.
- **Drawing Club** – nurturing creativity and storytelling through guided drawing.

We also take great pride in being a part of our **local community**, and regularly take children on **trips and visits to local landmarks**, examples:

- **The Minack Theatre** – where children experience and take part in the little sing project.
- **Penlee Museum** – introducing children to art, history, and local heritage in an interactive way.
- **St Michael's Mount** – sparking curiosity with legends, exploration, and history.

These experiences enrich our children's learning and help them build a strong connection with the world around them.

At Stepping Stones Nursery, we believe in giving every child the best possible start—through play, adventure, learning, and love. We are so excited to welcome your family and look forward to a joyful year together!

With warmest wishes,  
**The Stepping Stones Nursery Team**

### Staffing

#### **Nursery Manager**

Siobhan Stacey



#### **Deputy Manager**

Charmaine Morris



Robyn Hosking



Sharron Harris



#### **Admin and Finance Team**



Mrs Sanchia Pascoe and Mrs Martin are the admin team that are responsible for the running of the communication and funding of the school in liaison with Headteacher and Miss Stacey. When you call the School Office on 01736 363509 you will be greeted by one of the admin team -they are happy to help and assist with any matter, including the booking of trips and payment for wrap around care. They can also be contacted at [newlyn@tpacademytrust.org](mailto:newlyn@tpacademytrust.org).

#### **School Leadership Team**



Mrs Wood is responsible for Special Educational Needs across the school from 2 years old to the age of 11 years. Ms Connolly is Headteacher of Newlyn Pre-School and Primary School and Head of Safeguarding.

#### **Structure of the day**

Our opening hours are 9:00am until 3:00pm but we offer the wrap around services listed below which are part of the school not just the preschool.

Our sessions are as follows...

<b><u>Morning session:</u></b>
9:00am until 1:00pm (4 hours)
<b><u>Afternoon session:</u></b>
12:00pm until 3:00pm (3 hours)
<b><u>Whole day</u></b>
9:00am until 3:00pm (6 hours)

At Newlyn School we are incredibly proud of our offer of home cooked, delicious and lovingly prepared lunches, and would like for all Stepping Stones children to enjoy this free of charge for the time being. Of course, they can bring a packed lunch if they prefer. The Stepping Stones children will enjoy lunchtime in the main school and enjoy a playtime with the younger children in the school community. We see this as a wonderful opportunity to create the link between pre-school and school.

#### **How to order school meals**

Each child will receive an individual **Arbor** account login, which parents can use to select and order their child's lunch options (daily, weekly, or monthly).

#### **Prices for Nappies**

If you have been unable to supply a nappy, there will be a nappy charge of 50p per nappy used.

#### **Termly wipes charge**

If you have been unable to supply wipes, there will be termly charge of £2.00

#### **Funding & Prices**

Currently we will be offering all Stepping Stones families a price freeze on their hourly rate for childcare. We will work with parents over the coming months, and through consultation will implement further changes in line with government guidance when appropriate.

#### **Current Prices:**

##### **3- & 4-year-olds.**

£16.20 per 3-hour session  
£21.60 per 4-hour session  
£32.40 per full day session  
£5.40 per hour

##### **2-year olds –**

£19.50 per 3-hour session  
£26.00 per 4-hour session  
£39.00 per full day session  
£6.50 per hour

We are a cash free school and as such all families will be set up on the Teachers2Parents/School Money system that allows for ease of payment of pre-school fees (where required), any wrap around care accessed and school trips/visits when required. This is an online service through an app. You do not need to do anything other than complete the included admission pack and the Newlyn admin team will complete everything else for you and send you invites to all our apps.

#### **Wrap Around Care**

We are very proud to have the option for all Stepping Stones children to attend our wrap around care service. Breakfast club will be available for pre-school children from 8:00am and the Newlyn Wrap after school club will be available until 5:30pm each day.

The prices are as follows:

Breakfast Club: £3 per child per day – Breakfast included

Newlyn Wrap: £3.50 from 3:00pm until 4:15pm (no tea)

£8.00 from 3:00pm until 5:30pm (with a light tea)

Children have the most wonderful time at Wrap Around Care. Here is the current timetable of their weekly events:



**MONDAY – TOYS AND CONSTRUCTION**

**TUESDAY TECH AND SMALL WORLD PLAY**

**WEDNESDAY WHAT WE LOVE NIGHT**

**THURSDAY SCOOTER AND SKATE NIGHT IN THE PLAYGROUND**

**FRIDAY SUGGLE UP NURSERY**

Wrap around care is an additional payable service for all children.

## **Communication**

The main contact telephone number for the Pre-School and Primary School is 01736 363509 and the email address is [newlyn@tpacademytrust.org](mailto:newlyn@tpacademytrust.org).

At Newlyn School we use Seesaw as a platform to be able to share the learning of your child/ren with you (similar to Tapestry), as well as using this as a primary communication tool. Seesaw is an app that you will receive an invitation to. You will be issued with a QR code that you can scan and link yourself to your child's profile. The communication part to the app, will give you direct contact to your child's main teacher – Miss Stacey. This is a messaging service, similar to 'Whatsapp', that gives you an opportunity to communicate directly with your child's class teacher and share messages with them. Equally messages can be shared with you as well as updates sent out via this service.

Our public Facebook page will also be a platform where our successes will be shared. Please like our page and follow us.

## **Our Pre-School Day**

We are immersed within the school community which allows for a great space for exploration and many more opportunities. We have access to a wonderful Forest School area that is freely available to the children as well as a magical school library, inspiring music rooms and lessons as well as much more; including the use of the school minibuses for trips and visits.

Our curriculum incorporates the Early Years development plan with the introduction of Little Wandle to promote the children's phonics as they develop. The curriculum will continue to develop to incorporate a balance of all core skills as well as meet all children's holistic and emotional development.

We are very lucky to have the support of a Trust of specialists who work alongside us, to ensure the provision for all children is coherent, progressive and purposeful; allowing all children to thrive.

## **Hot Dinners**

Each day the children are offered a free hot lunch provided by our onsite chef.

**Admissions Forms**

Please complete the admissions pack and return it to the school office at your earliest convenience.

Your child will be placed into one of two classes.

Age 2 children will be in Pasties class

Age 2-3 children will be in Piskies Class

Age 3-4 children (starting school in the next September) will be in Pirates Class

We look forward to our future adventures together as the Newlyn School family.

Yours sincerely

Ms L Connolly

Headteacher