

Early Education

Parent information pack!

Humpty Dumpty's Kindergarden



Our offer

At Humpty Dumpty's kindergarden, we are proud to offer a Premium enhanced provision service that maximises the benefits of our exclusive offerings. In this booklet, we have highlighted key areas where our service goes above and beyond to enhance your child's learning and enjoyment during their time with us.

Inside, you'll find a detailed breakdown of what's included in our premium provision, why we offer these enhancements, and how each element contributes to your child's development. We will also explore the educational benefits and many other aspects of our service designed to ensure a well-rounded and enriching experience.

Premium provisionMaximising your benefits with our exclusive offerings

Staff Training: Ensuring Quality Care and Education

At Humpty Dumpty's, we understand that high-quality care and education are not only about providing an enriching environment for children but also ensuring that our staff are well-equipped with the knowledge and skills necessary to support every child's development. We prioritise continuous staff training, and our team participates in a variety of specialised courses to ensure they can meet the diverse needs of our children in a safe, supportive, and nurturing way.





Enriching Early Education-Small group activities

We're excited to offer enriching small group activities designed to give your child more focussed attention, tailored learning, and meaningful social interaction. These sessions are led by experienced educators and allow children to explore their interests, build confidence, and develop essential early skills in a fun, nurturing environment. With limited group sizes every child has the opportunity to thrive at their own pace. For a small additional fee you'll be giving your child the benefit of personalised support and an even more engaging early learning experience.

Why these are important

Small group activities play a vital role in your child's early development. In these more intimate settings, children are encouraged to express themselves, ask questions, and actively participate- something that can be more challenging in larger groups. This boosts their communication skills, emotional confidence, and ability to work cooperatively with others. With individuals' needs better supported, children are also more likely to stay engaged and develop a genuine love for learning. These sessions aren't just an extra- they're an investment in your child's social, emotional and cognitive growth during the most important years of their development

Small group activities are a key benefit for how well they prepare children for the transition to school. With more opportunities to take turns, following instructions,, and completing tasks with gentle guidance, children begin to develop greater independence and responsibility. These sessions help build the kind of focus, resilience, and problem solving skills that set children up for success in more structured learning environments. By supporting them in a calm, low pressure setting, we're helping children build strong foundations for both academic learning and everyday life.

Trips to Norwich Cathedral school

As part of our commitment to providing the highest- quality education for our children, our Premium enhanced provision includes visits to the cathedral school for our older children, ages 3-5. These visits are designed to broaden their learning experiences and provide them with an enriching environment outside of nursery.

Why these trips are important

Exposure to a Broader Learning Environment: The Cathedral School offers a rich, stimulating setting that fosters curiosity and intellectual growth. These visits allow the children to interact with a variety of learning environments and experiences that are often not available within their immediate surroundings.





Community trips and their educational benefits

One of the key elements to our Premium enhanced provision is the opportunity for children to engage in trips within the local community. These excursions are carefully designed to compliment and expand upon the learning experiences that take place within our rooms.

Our trips provide real-world opportunities for children to explore and apply their learning in diverse settings, fostering curiosity, creativity and critical thinking. Whether visiting local parks, libraries or community centres, these outings offer children the chance to connect classroom concepts with tangible experiences, helping to deepen their understanding of the world around them.

Why Socialising in our local community is important

Hands on learning: community trips offer children the chance to experience firsthand opportunities, making learning more meaningful and memorable. Social Development: interacting with peers and community members in real-world environments promotes teamwork, communication, and social skills Cultural awareness: Exposure to various aspects of the community, including different cultures and people they may see, helps broaden children's perspectives and fosters inclusivity.

Critical thinking: Observing and engaging with the world outside of nursery encourages children to ask questions, think critically and solve problems creatively. Through these experiences, we aim to provide an enriched, holistic education that nurtures both the academic and social growth of every child.





Why we do it:

Sensory play is a fundamental part of early childhood development, allowing children to experience new textures, sounds, and sensations that help them make sense of the world around them. It also provides an opportunity to explore different materials, which enhances their creativity and fine motor skills. This type of play is integral to fostering emotional regulation, language development and social interaction.

Educational benefits:

- Cognitive development: Sensory play stimulates brain connections and helps improve problem solving and critical thinking skills as children explore and interact with different materials.
- Fine and gross motor skills: Many sensory activities, such as pouring, moulding and manipulating objects, help children develop their fine motor skills, while larger activities like climbing or playing with sensory balls enhance gross motor skills.
- Language development: Sensory play provides opportunities for children to expand their vocabulary by describing textures, colours and actions, helping with language acquisition.
- Emotional regulation: The hands-on nature of sensory activities help children express themselves and manage their emotions through tactile interactions, promoting self-regulation.
- Social skills: When children engage in sensory play with others, they practise communication, and turn taking, building important social skills.

By incorporating daily sensor play into our routine, we aim to provide a rich learning environment that nurtures the physical, cognitive, and emotional growth of every child.

Building strong parent partnerships: communication and feedback

At Humpty Dumptys, we recognise the critical role that parents play in their child's learning journey. To ensure that we fully support your child's development, we place a strong emphasis on maintaining open lines of communication and providing detailed, constructive feedback. This partnership is key to understanding each child's individual needs and ensuring that they are thriving both in and outside of our care.

Through regular updates, meetings where appropriate, and feedback sessions, we keep our parents informed of their child's progress, achievements, and areas for improvement. These communications help us build a collaborative relationship with families, ensuring that both home and our setting work together to support the children's growth.

School Readiness: preparing your child for success

At Humpty Dumptys we place a strong emphasis on school readiness as part of our premium enhanced provision. School readiness goes beyond just academic skills: it encompasses the emotional, social, and physical skills that children need to navigate a structured school environment successfully. We believe that by fostering school readiness we give children the best possible start to their educational journey, ensuring they

are confident, capable, and excited to take on new challenges.





Educational Take-Home Bags: Extending Learning Beyond the Classroom

As part of our commitment to fostering a well-rounded learning experience, we provide Educational Take-Home Bags for children to bring home. These specially designed bags are filled with fun, engaging, and educational materials that help reinforce the concepts and skills children are learning in our setting. The take-home bags give families the opportunity to extend the learning experience outside of the classroom, encouraging active participation and collaboration between home and school.

Small Leaving Gifts: Celebrating Milestones and Strengthening Bonds

As a way to celebrate the milestones children achieve during their time with us, we provide Small Leaving Gifts for each child when they transition out of our care or move on to the next stage of their educational journey. These thoughtful gifts are a meaningful way to acknowledge their hard work, growth, and achievements, while also leaving a lasting memory of their time at Humpty Dumpty's.

The small leaving gifts are personalised and typically reflect something significant about the child's time with us—whether it's a favorite activity, a memorable moment, or a special achievement. It is our way of saying thank you for allowing us to be a part of their early learning experience.

Specialist Visitors- Baby Ballet and more!

At Humpty Dumpty's Kindergarden, we believe in offering experiences that go beyond the everyday. Which is why we bring in qualified specialists like baby ballet teachers and other visiting professionals. These sessions give children the chances to explore new skills, movements, and interests in a joyful, playful way. Bringing in outside experts adds variety and depth to our curriculum, enriching your child's experience with high quality, engaging learning opportunities. It's not just a treat- it's a chance for your child to discover talents and passions they might not otherwise explore.



Parent partnerships: utilising blossom educational

As part of our communication to foster strong parent partnerships and maintain effective communication, we use Blossom education to support the learning of every child. Blossom is an advanced tool that allows us to document and track children's progress through detailed observations, formative reports, and regular assessments, creating a holistic picture of their educational journey. This tool helps us communicate your child's progress in an accessible and meaningful way.

For our younger children, particularly in the baby room, we use Daily diaries to provide parents with up to date information on their child's day to day activities, mood, feeding schedule and sleep patterns. These daily records ensure parents are well informed and can feel confident that their child's well being is being closely monitored.

Additionally we conduct two year checks and provide detailed monthly observations for all children, with pictures and notes documenting their progress in key developmental areas. These assessments help us track milestones, celebrate achievements, and identify any areas where additional support may be needed.

We also offer ad hoc days upon request, subject to availability, providing flexibility for families who may require additional care or education on specific days. This flexibility ensures that we can accommodate your child's needs, whether for extra support when you have special scheduling requirements.

Why we use Blossom And These tools:

Our use of Blossom is rooted into our desire to maintain transparency, ensure individualised support, and promote collaboration between parents and educators. By using blossom we can share accurate, real time information with parents providing them with a clear understanding of their child's development and needs. This tool helps us work together to ensure that each child is supported and receives the best possible care and learning experience.

Educational Benefits:

- Accurate tracking of development: Blossom allows us to track children's progress over time, giving both parents and educators a clear picture of their strengths and areas for growth.
- Personalised feedback: Detailed observations and formative reports allows us to provide personalised feedback on your child's learning highlighting key areas where they are excelling or may need additional support.
- Early Identification of needs: Regular assessments through Blossom, such as the two year check, help us identify early signs of developmental delays or concerns, so we can address them promptly and work with parents to support the child's development.
- Parent involvement: With access to pictures, observations and regular updates, parents can be more involved in their child's learning journey, reinforcing progress at home and encouraging future growth.
- Building confidence: As we celebrate milestones and achievements through detailed observations, children gain confidence in their abilities, which positively impacts their self-esteem and motivation to learn.
- Clear communication: The daily diaries and other detailed records ensure that there is a
 continuous, open line of communication between home and nursery, giving parents
 peace of mind and making it easier to reinforce routines and educational strategies at
 home.
- Flexibility for families: With the option of ad hoc days, parents have the flexibility to meet their family's unique needs, ensuring that their child continues to receive quality care and education on their terms.

By leveraging Blossom, along with offering ad hoc days upon request, we ensure a comprehension, data-driven approach to supporting your child's development while maintaining a strong partnership with families. Together, we can provide the best learning environment for every child.

Lending Library - Encouraging a Love of Reading

Our nursery lending library is a wonderful resource that encourages children to develop a lifelong love of books. By allowing children to take home a different story each week, we're strengthening their literacy, boosting imagination, and building positive routines around reading time with family. It's also a great way to foster independence and responsibility as children learn to choose, care for, and return books. We see the lending library as a bridge between home and nursery—one that nurtures curiosity and supports early learning in a meaningful, practical way.

Seasonal Treats & Gifts - Creating Joyful Moments

Throughout the year, we love to surprise the children with thoughtful seasonal treats and gifts, such as refreshing ice lollies on hot summer days, Easter surprises, and festive goodies. These small gestures create magical moments and lasting memories for the children, making their time at nursery even more special. It's our way of celebrating the seasons and showing children how joyful learning environments can be. These extras are also part of building a warm, caring community where every child feels valued and celebrated

Seasonal Keepsake Crafts - Treasuring Precious Memories

Our seasonal keepsake crafts—like handmade Mother's Day cards, festive decorations, or special painted gifts—are designed to help children express creativity while marking important occasions with love and pride. These one-of-a-kind creations are treasured by families and give children a sense of achievement and connection. Whether it's a thumbprint flower pot or a sparkly holiday ornament, each piece becomes a cherished memory and a symbol of your child's early learning journey. These moments of making and giving help build emotional awareness, fine motor skills, and a strong sense of identity.

Consumables

At Humpty Dumpty's Kindergarden, we go the extra mile to make your child's day comfortable, safe, and supported- without placing added pressure on busy parents. That's why we provide a wide range of high quality consumables at no extra hassle to you. From wipes, sun cream (factor 50), spare clothes, and bibs to nursery stocked nappies, nappy cream, and PPE for personal care, we've got the essentials covered. We also support toilet training with kindness and consistency, and we happily wash and dry wet or muddy clothes when outdoor play gets messy. By supplying everything your child might need in an emergency- from puddle suits to personal hygiene items- we ensure they're always clean, cared for and ready to enjoy their day. It's one less thing for you to pack and worry about and part of our commitment to providing a nurturing full-service early years experience.

Now it's time for the good bit – let's talk food!

At Humpty Dumpty's Kindergarden, we believe that mealtimes are more than just a part of the day—they're a vital part of your child's growth, development, and wellbeing. That's why all of our meals are lovingly prepared on-site by our dedicated chef, Stewie, who takes pride in serving up nutritious, home-cooked dishes that children genuinely enjoy. From warm, hearty dinners to comforting teas followed by a well-deserved pudding, every meal is designed with young tummies and developing taste buds in mind.

We place high importance on offering balanced, varied meals that support healthy growth, energy levels, and concentration—especially during these key early years. Our menus are carefully planned to include a wide range of nutrients, helping children build strong bodies and healthy habits for life. And it doesn't stop at lunch and tea—we also offer a wholesome breakfast to give children the best start to their day, along with a rolling fruit bowl and snacks available throughout the day to keep them fuelled, focused and happy.

Mealtimes at nursery are also a social learning opportunity. Children sit together, practice table manners, try new foods, and learn about sharing and independence. Whether it's serving themselves fruit or chatting to their friends over a warm meal, these moments build confidence and a healthy relationship with food.

We take great care to cater for allergies, dietary requirements, and preferences, ensuring that every child is included and well-fed. With everything freshly prepared and thoughtfully served, you can trust that your child is enjoying high-quality food in a safe, supportive environment—without the daily pressure of prepping meals at home. After all, full bellies make for happy children ready to play, learn, and thrive.



Let's Talk About the Practical Stuff - Funding & Fees

We know that understanding how funding and fees work is just as important as knowing what your child gets out of their time with us. At Humpty Dumpty's Kindergarden, we're proud to offer a high-quality early years experience that's supported by both government funding and parent contributions—and we're always clear and open about how it all works.

We do accept government-funded hours and use them to provide the strong educational foundation every child deserves. But we also believe children deserve more than the basics. That's why we charge a small additional fee—so we can offer everything from nutritious meals prepared by our in-house chef, to high-quality resources, extra-curricular activities, seasonal gifts, and the little comforts that make each day smooth and special.

Your contribution helps us maintain small ratios, experienced staff, and a setting that feels like a home from home. It allows us to go beyond minimum standards and provide a warm, enriching, and memorable start to your child's journey. We're happy to talk through your funding options and explain exactly what's included—because we want every family to feel confident, informed, and truly part of our nursery community.

Funded Hours: Eligibility & Entitlement

We offer government-funded early education places for children aged 9 months to 4 years. Funding is available for up to 15 or 30 hours per week, and we stretch this offer over 51 weeks per year as follows:

- 15-hour entitlement = 11 hours per week (stretched)
- 30-hour entitlement = 22 hours per week (stretched)

Session Structures

Funded hours are delivered in fixed blocks to maintain clarity and prevent misuse of extended hours:

Session Type	Times	Funded Hours
5-Hour Block	7:30am-12:30pm or 1:00pm-6:00pm	5
7.3-Hour Block	7:30am-2:48pm	7.3

Care outside these blocks (e.g. until 1:00pm, 4:00pm and 6:00pm) is chargeable.

Charging Structure & Private Fees

Private fees apply for children not acc<mark>ess</mark>ing Local Authority funding, or for sessions and services outside of funded entitlement.

Current private fee structure (from January 2024):

Session	Time	Rate
Full Day	7:30am-6:00pm	£83.25
Short Day	7:30am-4:00pm	£69.93
AM Session	7:30am-1:00pm	£45.51
PM Session	1:00pm-6:00pm	£42.18

We charge per session, not by the hour. Additional childcare due to early drop-off, late collection or additional sessions is invoiced separately. Extra hours are charged at our standard rate of £10/hour.

Working parents entitlement:

If you are a working parent, you may be entitled to:

30 funded hours per week for children 9 months to 5 years.

Please bear in mind that for all eligible age groups eligibility criteria allies.

Funding starts the term after your child reaches the eligible age and continues until they turn 5 or start school.

Please look on

https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/for full information as its subject to change.

Universal entitlement:

All children are entitled to 15 funded hours per week beginning the term after they turn 3years old, up until they reach 5 years or start school.

Disadvantaged 2-year-old Entitlement:

Families meeting specific eligibility criteria may receive 15 funded hours per week from the term after their child turns 2 years old.

Additional support: Tax-free Childcare & Universal Credit:

As a working parent you can also:

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You are not charged for funded hours, but you will be charged for your additional hours and the extra essentials that make Humpty Dumpty's Kindergarden the special place that it is. See pages 2 to 8 for more details.

Quick summary:

Most of the time you'll pay a mixed fee to support your funded hours. This covers all your non-funded hours, along with the essentials and extras that make our nursery so special. This is called our non food items, optional services & activities and consumables. Please refer to page 12 for more details.

We do have limited fully funded places. These are limited to remain financially viable. Please talk to us if you'd like to know more.

The enhanced offer can be used as needed throughout the week. We ask for an additional fee which is levied onto each funded day used in a session. These make up the majority of our spaces, and we ask for a registration fee of £75 for 1-2 days a week and £100 for 3-5 days per week.

Now you understand the government funding and fees (please refer to page 12), let's take a look at how it all works together. We've shown a couple of our most popular scenarios to give you a clearer idea of how funding works at Humpty Dumpty's kindergarden for you.

*These figures are used as an example to demonstrate how funding works only.

2 Mornings a week until 1:00pm

You'll use 10 hours across two days. That would give you 5 hours per day. The funding is used between the hours of 7:30am-12.30pm. We use additional non-funded hours to cover the rest of the session. Non-funded hours are charged at our standard rate, which covers absolutely everything your child will need each day for the very best care. Funded hours are charged with our broken down fees as stated above. So per day: 5 funded hours £0 0.5 non funded hours £5 Food Consumables £8 Consumables £3.50 Services and activities £3.50 Fee per day £20

3 Days a week until 4:00pm

You use 22 hours' across 3 days. That gives you 7.3 funded hours each day. The funding is used between the hours of 7:30am-2:48pm. We use additional non-funded hours to cover the rest of the day. Additional days as required would be at our standard rate, which covers absolutely everything your child will need each day for the very best care. Funded hours are charged with our broken down fees as stated above. So per day: 7.3 funded hours £0 1.2 Non funded hours £12 Food consumables £9 Consumables £5.25 Services and activities £5.25 Fee per day £31.50

Annual price increase

Humpty Dumpty's fees are reviewed annually in January. These usually fall in line with the percentage increase of NMW to ensure staff continue to receive proper remuneration. Families are given at least one months notice

Sibling discount

A 5% Sibling discount is applied whilst both children are registered at the nursery and in attendance at the same time.

Compliance with the funding agreement

We ensure no child is excluded from accessing their funded hours. We do not require families to purchase optional services. We publish all charges clearly and provide free access to statutory early education.

Notice, Payments & holidays

We require 4 weeks written notice for any changes to your child's place including termination. Invoices are issued monthly in advance and due by the 10th of each month. Late payments incur a £30 fee. Holiday entitlement includes 2 weeks at 50% charge annually. Children are still charged for missed sessions due to absence.

Funded service charges

Service	Daily Rate	Description
Breakfast	£1.50	A selection or cereals, milk and fruit
Morning Snack	£1.00	A healthy daily snack such as fruit, crackers, or rice cakes with milk or water
Home cooked meal	£4.00	A Hot hearty meal accompanied by a dessert
Afternoon snack	£1.00	A healthy daily snack such as fruit, crackers, or rice cakes with milk or water
Light home cook tea	£3.50	Light tea accompanied by a dessert
Room fruit bowl	£1.50	Fruit offered at every meal time and available for free selection throughout the day
IT Package	£2.34 (5hours funding) £3.50 (7.3hours funding)	Covers items not included in funded entitlement (see pages 1-7)
Care package	£2.34 (5hours funding) £3.50 (7.3hours funding)	Covers items not included in the funded entitlement (see page 6)
Special activities and celebration package	£2.34 (5hours funding) £3.50 (7.3hours funding)	Covers items not included in the funded entitlement (see page 6)

To access this funded entitlement, families must apply via the GOV.UK website and receive a HMRC code by a strict deadline. It is possible to apply for a code up to 16 weeks before your child turns 9 months old. The recommendation is 6 weeks before the deadline. There is a risk that you might not receive your code in time if you apply outside of the recommendation, and your provider will require the details of your unique code before confirming your funded hours arrangement (and maximum funded hours available).

When your child turns 9 months	Working parent entitlement is available from	Deadline to receive code	Claim period
1 Jan to 31 Mar	1 April	31 March	1 April to 31 Aug
1 April to 31 Aug	1 September	31 August	1 Sept to 31 Dec
1 Sept to 31 Dec	1 january	31 December	1 Jan to 31 Mar

We understand that funding and fees are an important consideration for every family, and we aim to be as transparent and supportive as possible. Our approach ensures we can continue offering high-quality care, rich learning experiences, and a nurturing environment for all children. With the practicalities in place, we're excited to share more about what makes our setting so special and how your child will thrive during their time with us.

Welcome to Humpty Dumpty's Kindergarten

Step into a place where little imaginations bloom, friendships begin, and every day brings a new adventure!

Since opening our doors in July 2011, Humpty Dumpty's Kindergarden has been proudly nestled in the heart of Taverham—a vibrant community with fantastic local amenities right on our doorstep. We're a short hop from Taverham Garden Centre, the library, the veterinary surgery, and nearby schools including Nightingales, Ghost Hill, and Drayton Community Infant School.

Our spacious gravel car park makes drop-off and pick-up a breeze for busy families, and we're excited to be part of a growing community—with a brand new supermarket and more local facilities opening nearby. Even better? Our nursery backs onto peaceful woodlands and open fields—ideal for outdoor play, nature walks, and exploring the great outdoors.

We're registered with OFSTED to care for up to 49 children aged 3 months to 5 years. At the heart of our nursery is a dedicated, highly qualified team of early years professionals. Many of our staff have been with us for years, bringing consistency, care, and a deep sense of purpose to their work. We're committed to continuous professional development, meaning our team's knowledge is always growing—just like the children in our care!

At Humpty Dumpty's, safeguarding is our highest priority. We're passionate about creating a safe, welcoming, and inclusive space for all children, staff, families, and visitors. Everyone who enters our doors plays a part in nurturing our kind and respectful







A Warm Welcome From the Team

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Humpty Dumpty's Kindergarten—where learning is play, laughter is daily, and every child is celebrated for who they are!

We know that choosing the right childcare setting is a big decision—and we're so glad you're exploring what we have to offer. From babies to preschoolers, we provide high-quality care and early education in a setting that's warm, welcoming, and filled with opportunities to grow, discover, and thrive.

At Humpty Dumpty's, every child is treated as the unique little person they are. We nurture independence, creativity, kindness, and curiosity, helping children build confidence and life skills that will serve them far beyond their early years.

Our passionate and experienced team understands just how important these early moments are. That's why we create a joyful, supportive atmosphere where children feel safe, valued, and inspired. We see every milestone as a moment to celebrate—and every day as a chance to make magical memories.

We'd love to invite you and your child to come see us in action! Whether you're popping in for a tour or just want to chat about how we can support your child's early years journey, our Manager and Deputy Manager are always happy to help.



We can't wait to meet you!

Warmest wishes, The Humpty Dumpty's Kindergarden Team

Our Staff

We pride ourselves on having highly qualified, loyal and experienced members of our staffing team. All our staff understand the benefits of learning through play and experiences which are seen daily within our practice. All our staff have their own individual qualities however the ones that they share are patience, good listening skills and understanding as well as all of them having a caring nature. These qualities ensure children feel valued and included. All our practitioners provide routines and consistent rules that children can understand and follow in line with our behaviour management policy.

Laura Wood Owner/Manager

BA Hons. Early Childhood studies
In the absence of the owner/manager, the role is taken over by the deputy manager of the nursery

Abbi HowlandDeputy Manager

BA Hone. Early Childhood Studies

Sophie Himpson

Lead Early Years Educator-Baby Room

Level 3 Early Years workforce

Jodie Mather

Early Years Educator-Baby room

Level 3 Early Learning and childcare

Chloe Thirtle

Early Years Educator- Baby room

Level 3 Early Learning and childcare

Indi Wells

Lead Early Years Educator-Ladybird Room

Level 3 Early Years workforce

Shayla Knowles

Early Years Educator-Ladybird Room

Level 2 Early Learning and Childcare Lily Shepard

Early Years Educator-Ladybird room

Level 3 Early Years workforce

Natasha White

Lead Early Years Educator- Butterfly Room

Level 3- Early Learning and Childcare

Abby Masters

Nursery Assistant

Level 3 Apprentice

Sonya Wood

Business Administrator

Stewie White Nursery Chef

5 Star food Hygiene

Learning Through Play at Humpty Dumpty's

At Humpty Dumpty's, learning is full of wonder! Every day your child will explore a wide range of fun, hands-on activities, both indoors and outdoors. Play is at the heart of everything we do, and through it, children naturally progress across all areas of the Early Years Foundation Stage.

A Nursery That Feels Like Home

After our exciting refurbishment in 2019, we transformed our space into a calm, welcoming environment—far from the usual bright plastics and loud colours. Instead, we've embraced natural resources and beautiful, thoughtful setups that spark imagination, curiosity and independent thinking. Our aim? To inspire the little "thinkers and doers" of the future.

Inspiring Environments

Children learn best in spaces where they feel safe, valued, and inspired. Our nursery is filled with natural materials like wood, metal, and textured fabrics, supporting open-ended, sensory-rich exploration. You'll see children's artwork proudly displayed, along with photos that document their learning journeys—creating a real sense of pride and belonging.

Child-Led Discovery

We follow a child-led approach called In The Moment Planning, where learning is based on the children's interests. From seasonal nature walks to bug hunts, we encourage curiosity about the world around them. We also support language development through tools like Teddy Talk and ECAT assessments, ensuring every child gets the help they need to thrive.

Messy Play Magic

We love messy play—and so do the children! From paint to mud, water to dough, messy play builds creativity, confidence and sensory awareness. It's not about the end result, but the joy of exploration. We provide aprons, but we recommend "dressing for mess" so nothing gets in the way of the fun!

Free-Flow Fun-Indoors & Out!

Children can choose to learn indoors or out with our open-door, free-flow approach. Outdoor play is key to building both fine and gross motor skills—and it's packed with learning opportunities like splashing in puddles, building dens, or counting raindrops in a bucket. We believe in play in all weathers, so be ready for a bit of mud and magic!

Growing Independence

From babies to pre-schoolers, we encourage independence at every stage. Whether it's serving their own lunch, putting on their coat, or choosing when to snack, we support children to do things for themselves—building confidence and important life skills along the way.

Caterpillar Room (Babies)

Our baby room is cosy, calm and full of love. We follow home routines to help little ones feel safe and settled, with plenty of opportunities to move, explore and discover at their own pace.



Ladybird Room (Toddlers)



In this stage, children become more independent and imaginative. We encourage self-help skills like dressing and toileting, and carry out the two-year development check in partnership with parents. We also use speech tools to monitor and support language development early on.

Butterfly Room (Pre-Schoolers)

Our oldest children are confident, capable learners. We provide rich, meaningful experiences that allow them to take the lead in their learning, solve problems, and explore the wider world. Outdoor learning, local trips, and plenty of time to imagine and create all help prepare them for school—and for life!

We'd Love to Welcome You to the Humpty Dumpty's Family!

