



MISSION STATEMENT

We believe that pre-school children learn best through play and when their imaginations are fired. We therefore work hard every day to make sure we always provide the most stimulating and nurturing play environment that we possibly can.

We treat all our children as individuals and strive to give every child in our care the best possible start in their educational life.

The key things we aim for our children to achieve are:

- To be happy and settled at preschool
- To enjoy learning
- To have huge amounts of fun
- To make friends and develop their social skills.
- To be ready for school when they leave us at age 4

We are a very open-minded and flexible pre-school. We treat all adults and children with respect and involve parents and carers fully in the care and education we provide for their children. It is our aim that all parents and carers should feel completely confident to leave their children in our care, knowing that they will be well cared for, and that they should feel able to approach us about any issues to do with their children, knowing that their views will be listened to with courtesy and respect.

What do we mean by “ready for school”:

We have a very constructive and open dialogue with our local infant school – St Nicolas’ - where most of our children go to. We have spoken to the Head Teacher about what school readiness means and together we have come up with some initial thoughts on what we want the children to be able to do by the time they leave us:

- Have confidence to ask adults for help
- Understand that rules are for everybody
- Be able to look after themselves and dress themselves i.e. put on coat and shoes independently; eat with a knife and fork.
- Be able to listen to instructions
- Be ready to cope with more formal learning