

Our Curriculum

Parkway Preschool



At our preschool, we provide a nurturing environment where children develop the confidence, independence, and social skills needed for a successful transition to school and beyond.

We believe every child should leave preschool:

- Confident in themselves and their abilities
- Independent in managing everyday tasks
- Able to form meaningful friendships and relationships
- Respectful of rules, routines, and boundaries
- Ready to participate in group learning
- Able to communicate their needs, feelings, and ideas effectively
- Resilient when faced with challenges
- Curious and enthusiastic learners

We embed these skills throughout our daily practice, providing children with meaningful opportunities to learn, explore, and develop independence in a supportive environment.

We encourage children to become confident decision makers by allowing them to make choices about their play, activities, and learning experiences. Children's views, interests, and ideas are listened to, valued, and incorporated into our planning, helping them develop a sense of belonging.

To promote independence, children are encouraged to manage self-care tasks such as putting on and taking off their own coats and shoes, tidying away resources, and taking responsibility for their personal hygiene, including handwashing and toileting routines. Practitioners provide guidance and encouragement while allowing children the time and opportunity to develop these important life skills for themselves.

Social skills are developed through a wide range of group activities, games, and everyday interactions. Children learn to share, cooperate, negotiate, and take turns during play and structured activities. Turn taking games, circle time discussions, small group activities, and collaborative play experiences help children build patience, empathy, and respect for others.

We support children in understanding rules, routines, and boundaries through consistent positive

role modelling. Children are encouraged to express their thoughts, feelings, and needs confidently while learning to listen to and respect the views of others.

Resilience is embedded by encouraging children to persevere with challenges, solve problems independently, and view mistakes as valuable learning opportunities. Through praise, encouragement, and support, children develop the confidence to try new experiences and take appropriate risks in their learning.

By providing a balance of child led and adult led experiences, we nurture curious, enthusiastic learners who are well prepared for the next stage of their education and for life beyond preschool.

We actively promote British Values. Children are encouraged to share their thoughts, ideas, and opinions, helping them understand that their voice matters and that others should be listened to and respected. We provide opportunities for children to make choices throughout the day, such as selecting activities, resources, and experiences, supporting their understanding of democracy and individual liberty.

Through routines and rules, children learn the importance of the rule of law and develop an understanding of right and wrong. Practitioners model positive behaviour and support children in understanding the reasons behind expectations and rules.

We foster mutual respect by encouraging kindness, empathy, cooperation, and positive relationships. Children learn to take turns, share resources, work together, and celebrate each other's achievements.

Our inclusive environment values and celebrates diversity. Through stories, discussions and celebrations, children develop an awareness of different cultures, traditions, faiths, and family backgrounds. We encourage children to respect and appreciate differences, helping them become caring, considerate members of their community.

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