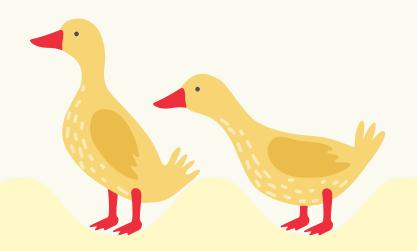


## The Goslings Nursery School

Prospectus

## An Introduction





Situated at the heart of the beautiful market town of Godalming, The Goslings Nursery School is a nurturing, intimate nursery setting located inside the prestigious Borough Hall. Attracting children from Godalming and the surrounding villages, The Goslings Nursery School has a long-standing reputation for providing excellent quality education and care.

Open during term time from 8.45am until 2.55pm, we pride ourselves on providing an outstanding, engaging and stimulating learning environment for children over the age of two and a half.

We believe that our small group sizes enable us to provide the very best levels of care for our children and a central part of our ethos is to really get to know each family. We believe that these relationships form a strong foundation for your child's learning journey.

# The School Song



"We all come to the Goslings School,
To see our friends and play,
We do our work and paint and stick,
And have such fun at the Goslings!"





# A Note From Anna

"Welcome to our Nursery School! I'm Anna and I am the Owner of the Goslings Nursery School. I hold a BA (Hons) Degree in Leadership and Management in Early Years Education and Practice and am also Montessori qualified. I have a dedicated team of teachers here at Goslings who are passionate about child development and growth within the early years age range. I work closely with Sarah, our nursery manager, to ensure we continue to deliver the outstanding practice the school has become renowned for. We hope you will find our prospectus a useful source of information about our nursery school. If you would like to visit us please get in touch and we'd be happy to arrange a viewing for you."

## What Our Parents Say

"I have nothing but positive things to say about The Goslings Nursery School. It is a kind, warm and nurturing place with dedicated caring staff - most of whom have been there for many years. The children are at the centre of everything they do and (as a teacher) I have seen plenty of fantastic and varied examples of play-based learning. Having had two (very different!) children pass through the doors of Goslings, I can testify that each child is treated as an individual. I especially love the feedback at the end of the day which is delivered with positivity and a hint of humour!" - HB

"Goslings has been absolutely brilliant for all my children! My youngest finishes this summer and is the fifth child in the family to enjoy this wonderful nursery. The staff know the children really well and the small groups mean that the children really get to know their teachers too. It has been lovely watching this teacher-child bond forming, particularly in this last year. It is a very happy, busy, noisy and fun place to be, and the children have made lasting friendships too! We will be sad to leave for good this summer, but will always highly recommend it to anyone who is looking for a really special nursery. Go and see for yourselves!" - HP

## Our Mission

At The Goslings Nursery School, we aim to provide a safe and stimulating child-orientated environment where children can explore and learn, freely encouraging them to become the best they can be.

Following the Montessori Method of self-directed activity, handson learning and collaborative play, we want to empower our children to learn in their own way and at their own pace. We operate a holistic approach to learning, striving toward Early Learning Goals of the EYFS.

We aim for our children to leave us as independent, capable and valued members of the community - ready for the next step on their education journey.



## Our Goals



#### Independence

To foster a sense of independence and confidence within your child, encouraging them to learn for themselves and to be able to make positive choices and decisions.



#### Confidence

To promote a child led learning environment, allowing each child to develop according to their own needs and potential, instilling a sense of confidence and self belief.



### Relationships

To acknowledge that parents and carers are the primary educators and to work closely with parents to gain knowledge of each individual child and their experiences.



## Respect

To promote mutual respect for others and the environment, including providing opportunities to experience and learn about multicultural practices.

# The Setting GODALMING BOROUGH HALL

We are very privileged to have full use of Godalming's large Borough Hall, set at the heart of the town with secure, private access and a small courtyard garden.

Every day at The Goslings Nursery School is different, providing an engaging and dynamic environment for the children to experience anew each day.

The setup of the hall allows us to host two performances each year at both Christmas and the end of the summer term, often a highlight for parents and children alike.





# The Learning Journey



The daily routine includes an ever-changing array of crafts, painting, music, movement, stories, creative and imaginative play as well as outdoor activities.



Materials available include dough, sand, water, puzzles, constructive toys and dressing up, alongside an range of Montessori equipment that changes every day.



This dynamic way of learning and playing aids motor and sensorial development as well as combining the early concepts of reading, writing and number work.

# A Note From Sarah

"I am the manager of Goslings, having joined in January 2010. I have an NVQ Level 3 qualification in childcare, and more recently have undertaken training in Early Years Management. I have a wealth of experience, having worked as an early years practitioner since 1998. My job is to ensure the smooth running of the nursery by working closely with the children, staff and parents every day. I also work in close partnership with Anna, the owner of The Goslings Nursery School, to ensure we keep up to date with latest government and local policy. We pride ourselves in forming strong relationships with both the children and the families so we can deliver the highest quality education and care."



## Testimonials

"We chose Goslings because of its small, nurturing, homely feel. Each child felt known and loved." - ST

"The staff have helped us through many of the struggles and milestones parents face and have continued to track our older daughter's progress years after her departure." - VD

"Goslings feels like an extension of our family environment. Both my girls have flourished and developed hugely under the excellent guidance of the staff" - LP

"We are grateful every day that our children have experienced such a warm, loving and fun start to their education." - OC



#### REGISTRATION

A place will be allocated to your child on receipt of a completed registration form and a £35 non-refundable registration fee. We also require a £50 deposit to secure the place which is refundable on your first childcare bill.

#### VISIT US

We recommend that you visit The Goslings Nursery School during one of our open days or contact us for a guided tour to begin the registration process.

# Joining Goslings

**ADMISSIONS** 



# Funding

Recently there has been significant changes to the Free Early Education Entitlement (Funded hours). There are various types of funding available, these are;

- FEET Funding (15 Funded hours for eligible 2 year olds)
- Working parent entitlement for children aged 9 months 4 years (up to 30 hours per week).
- Universal funding (15 hours available to ALL children aged 3 years +)

For all types of funding, except the 15 hours universal funding, parents must apply directly via the Gov website <u>here</u>

At The Goslings Nursery School we accept up to 27.5 hours funding per week, during term-time only (36 weeks). Please note we accept children from 2 years only.

# Frequently Asked Questions

## What age can my child attend?

Children can attend The Goslings Nursery School from 2 years, there is no need to wait until the term after their birthday, they can join as soon as they turn 2 provided we have availability.

## What are your hours?

Goslings Nursery is open 36 weeks of the year, (term-time only) from

Monday to Friday, 09.10AM – 14.55PM. Early drop off is also available from 8.45am

for an additional fee. There are two sessions available per day.

## Do you provide lunch?

We do not provide any meals - parents will need to send their child with a packed lunch and a piece of fruit or vegetable for a snack in the morning and afternoon. We provide milk and fresh drinking water, although some children may prefer to use their own special cups/beakers.

# My child is not toilet trained - can they still attend?

There is no requirement for children to be toilet trained. Nappies and creams must be supplied by parents/carers.



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