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day nursery & preschool



PROSPECTUS

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LETTER FROM OUR MANAGER

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Nick Simons Nursery Manager

I have nearly 30 years of experience in childcare, working across a wide range of hands on roles including nursery practitioner, NVQ assessor and nursery manager. This breadth of experience has given me a deep understanding of early years practice, and I use this knowledge to motivate, coach, and lead my team in delivering the best possible outcomes for Nursery aged children

We understand how important your child is to you, and it is for this reason here at Foundations Day Nursery we strive to deliver the best quality childcare and education we can. It is our ambition that every child has the opportunity to enjoy and thrive in an engaging early years environment.

I hope as you read this prospectus you will gain an appreciation of our passion, our approach to learning and to our routines in support of your child's development together.

30+ YEARS

Quality Childcare

4.8

Rating on Google

20+

Staff Team

GET TO KNOW US

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Established

1994

Foundations Day Nursery opened in 1994. The setting was originally built into the top floor of the church building but over the years significant developments have been made, including a purpose built baby unit, which now includes a baby sensory area. To the outside there are two spacious, well equipped garden play areas.

We are open Monday to Friday from 7.30am to 6pm for 51 weeks of the year.

Location

SELLY OAK

When available?

**ALL YEAR ROUND
& TERM TIME**

Baby Unit & Sensory space



- In our Baby Unit activity room, each child has the opportunity to explore lots of new things. This space will also help them to focus on developing their gross motor skills, which will include more physical activities.
- Children love to play outside; therefore, we have created a specifically designed garden area solely for children in the baby unit.

Room Leader - Charlotte

- Charlotte has two young children, which enhances her own development and motivation in child care as she steps up to being the leader of the baby unit.
- When a baby begins their journey with us they will enter a warm, home from home environment.

Ratio:
1:3

- These cosy rooms have plenty of qualified staff, with each child assigned a key worker. Their role is to create learning plans, and to work along side you the parent in helping to achieve them.
- Our baby unit is split into three areas, which are used throughout the day, This includes a sensory room, filled with an array of sensory lights and equipment; creating a calm and soothing environment.

6-24 MONTHS

Toddler Room

For 2 year old's



Room Leader - Michaela

- Michaela has been a part of the Foundations family for over ten years and brings a wealth of experience to this role.
- Once again your child will have a key worker who will work with you as your child continues on their learning journey.

Ratio:
1:5

- By using the 'Family App' you can monitor your child's progress. This app provides a colourful log of what your child is achieving through photos using the Learning Journey tab.
- Once you have completed your induction process you will receive an invitation email from Family. This online portal system allows you to message the staff team in your child's room, which parents have found to be reassuring.

- Our Poppy Room has its own entrance, which makes drop offs and pick ups nice and easy. The room is spacious and is well equipped with a variety of resources.

24-36 MONTHS

Pre-school Room



Room Leader - Ollie

- Ollie served his apprenticeship here with us at Foundations and has worked his way up to being the leader of our interactive Pre School. With nearly ten years experience, including working with SEN children you can be assured your child is in very capable hands.
- With the help of a dedicated team, we are confident that your child will experience an exciting Pre School learning journey, with lots of smiles and adventure.

**Ratio:
1:8**

- When your child begins their Pre School experience we apply a wider focus on specific areas of learning - to help prepare them well for school.

3+ YEARS

- In our Pre School they have lots of fun, as they grow in confidence as well as developing a sense of belonging and respect for others.
- Since all children are unique, our team will help support children through bespoke learning plans, which will enhance their personal development.

INDUCTION PROCESS

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Settling In Process

We aim to make the introduction into nursery life as smooth as possible for both parents/carers and children; by offering a complementary settling in period prior to starting. These sessions are intended to allow both the child and parent to become familiar with the nursery environment.

Second Session

We will arrange a time for you to meet with our finance manager to discuss fees; helping you to access relevant funding provision available. This allows your child to spend a brief time in a our care in order to sample nursery life.

First Session

You and your child will be given the opportunity to spend time with the room leader, where you will be able to discuss your child's individual needs. This will enable you both to become familiar with the environment.

Third Session

We will ask you to drop off your child and leave them with us for two hours as part of a morning session which includes lunch. We endeavor to make the transition from home into nursery as smooth as possible.

1 HR

**First
Session**

1 HR

**Second
Session**

2 HR

**Third
Session**

FREE FUNDED HOURS

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All Year Round

51 weeks of the Year

You can choose to select your funded sessions over the whole year. Once you have received your funding code, which confirms your eligibility, you can access up to 30 FREE hours, you can then decide to access the setting anything from three to five days per week.



Free Funded Sessions

8.AM - 3.30PM

x 2 days for 15 hours
x 4 days for 30 hours

Full Day Free Funded Hours

8AM - 6PM

x 3 days for 30 hours

Term Time Only

38 Weeks of the Year

You can opt to use our 'term time only' plan, where you only pay for meals or any additional hours outside of the funding sessions. For example, you may need an extra hour in the morning, afternoon or both. Simply opt to pay for 1 extra hour(s) per day. To get the best rate you can book these sessions for the whole term; alternatively you can pay the ad hoc rate if you need the occasional extra hour.



Free Funded Sessions

9AM - 3PM

Monday to Friday

Ad Hoc Rate

£8.23 Per Hour

Meals Only

£5 Per day

CURRICULUM

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Early Years Foundations Stage (EYFS)

In our nursery we use the Early Years Foundations Stage - also known as the EYFS curriculum framework. This approach supports and tracks your child's learning and development.

The EYFS explains how your child will be encouraged to learn and develop through a variety of activities and opportunities in the different areas of their development. Your child will learn new skills, acquire fresh knowledge, and be able to demonstrate their understanding through the seven areas of learning and development.

Each child's development will focus on these three primary areas...

**Communication
and Language**

**Physical
development**

**Personal,
social and
emotional
development**

CURRICULUM (CONTINUED)



Early Years Foundations Stage (EYFS)

In total there are seven areas that the EYFS use to plan a child's learning experience. The EYFS is designed to be flexible, so that key workers can create plans that cater to a child's unique needs and interests.

Children can learn through playing, exploring and being active and through creative & critical thinking, which takes place both indoors and outside.

Extra curricular activities

We also like to offer the children extra curricular activities, including dance, music and science. This is where external teachers are invited into the setting on a regular basis with planned activities. These opportunities are generally free of charge but in some cases a small fee may be requested if you wish your child to attend.

Literacy

**Understanding
of the world**

Mathematics

**Expressive arts
and design**

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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Safeguarding

We make it a priority to provide a safe and secure environment for all children: protecting them from harm. Any concern is promptly and appropriately responded to in-line with the settings robust safeguarding policies,

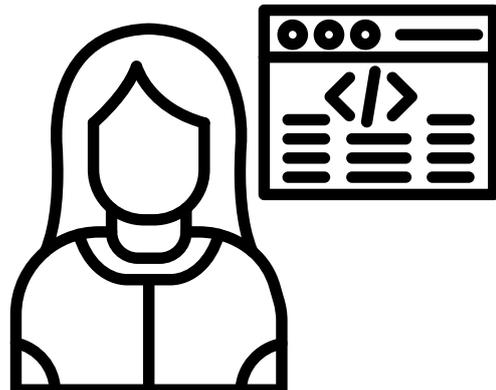


Observation & Assessment

We recognise that children develop at different rates and learn through a variety of ways. We aim to consider each child's interest and individual needs to plan and provide activities which support their learning through the seven areas in the EYFS

Key Person

When your child joins the setting, they will be allocated a key person. Their responsibility is to assist your child in settling in and to provide support to you as parents. They will also be responsible for monitoring and assessing your child's learning and development to ensure they are making progress and that their individual needs are being met.



OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION (part 2)

Outside Garden

We consider outside play as an important part of the curriculum, which is why we endeavor for the children to go outside on a regular basis, and in all weathers when safe to do so. In the play area the children will enjoy den building and role play activities. We also have a gazebo for writing/drawing, in addition, we do planting, balancing and bike riding, plus lots more....



Security

As you would expect we place the safety of all users of the setting as a high priority. Whilst we also understand that ease of access for parents is important too.

This is why we have independent entrances for each age group. This way we can easily monitor who is accessing the setting.



Meals & Snacks

Our meals and snacks are cooked fresh everyday on the premises by our experienced chef. We follow the healthy eating program 'Startwell', ensuring our menus are suitably nutritious for a well balanced diet. We cater for vegetarians and vegan as well as other special dietary requirements.



WHY CHOOSE US?

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Flexible Tariffs

We appreciate that childcare costs have increased in recent years. This is why we introduced our shorter day tariff (8-5) which has been very popular. There are also term time only options available so you can avoid unnecessary childcare costs.

Independent Setting

Foundations Day Nursery is a stand alone setting with charitable status. This allows greater flexibility in providing quality childcare provision.

We believe that by choosing Foundations Day Nursery you will be giving your child an excellent start in early years education. We would encourage you to book in for a free taster session.

We understand that choosing the right childcare provider can be a daunting prospect. This is why at Foundations Day Nursery we encourage parents to come and have good look around and meet one of our managers as well as relevant members of our staff team.

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