



Thank you for your interest in Cornerhouse Day Nursery. We hope you find the enclosed information both helpful and informative.

If you would like to come and view the nursery and meet the staff please just get in touch and we can arrange a time that suits you.

Please do not hesitate to contact us for any further information or if you have anything you would like to discuss.

Kind regards,

Alison & the team

We believe that a homely atmosphere is paramount, and our mission is simple; we aim to provide a warm and caring environment where all children can feel welcome, happy, safe and relaxed, and develop to their full potential.

We will encourage each child's curiosity and willingness and their achievements will be encouraged and celebrated. Your child's happiness, safety and development are our absolute priorities. No two days will ever be the same except for the fact that they will be filled with fun and excitement.

It is our aim that the nursery will become an extension of your home; a place in which everyone will feel welcome and where we all work together for the benefit of the children. We will provide children with a place where they can enjoy all the wonderful things childhood brings - fun, laughter, learning and making friends.

Play and education

The nursery incorporates the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) framework to support and develop children's play and learning. The EYFS is the legal framework relating to establishments providing care and education for children from birth to 5 years. The document sets out the legal requirements for Learning, Development and Welfare. It is divided into themes which express important principles underpinning effective practice in the care, development and learning of young children.

Our aim is to provide a play based curriculum which has a wide range of continuous provision available at all times. These include. . . mark making, construction, imaginative play, malleable play and much much more. This enables the children to choose their own activities and for us to support and extend all children's learning and development based on their individual needs and interests.

In addition to this there will be adult led activities which will be planned specifically for your child's development. These will be observed and assessed, where the findings along with those from spontaneous observations will be used to plan further activities to promote your child's needs and

development. All of this will be recorded in your child's nursery journey which will be available for you to view at all times.

Ladybird corner

Ladybird corner provides comfort and security for our youngest children it offers the high level of attention that your little one both enjoys and deserves. Activities in this room are based upon a child's early experiences of the world.

We will provide a wide range of activities, sensory equipment and different natural textures and materials that will stimulate and encourage their development. We will ensure that we always follow your child's own routine. In this room we guarantee plenty of love and cuddles !

Caterpillar corner

Caterpillar corner is an active environment to meet the continuing demands and needs of individual personalities as they begin to develop. Learning takes place through play based activities, where children feel free to explore. We aim to extend, and encourage the development of language, vocabulary, and the learning of basic skills, such as the recognition of primary colours and shapes, counting and mark making. There will also be ample opportunity for quiet time in a cosy corner.

They are also encouraged to take part in messy play and to create masterpieces for you to take home and treasure.

Grasshopper corner

Grasshopper corner is for our older children where our main objective is to ensure that your child is emotionally and physically prepared for big school. We encourage independence, decision making and free choice in all that we do. The children are encouraged to make their own rules, share and co-operate, and to respect each other. Dedicated areas are available for children to practice numeracy skills, pencil control, and develop an understanding of letters and sounds.

There is also a cosy area for stories, discussions and quiet time. A continuous programme of fun activities is offered throughout the day to meet the needs of our lively youngsters.

Outdoor play

We believe outdoor play is absolutely invaluable. It offers freedom, space and time to explore. Where and when possible we extend indoor play opportunities to the outdoors by use of a wide range of resources. Children are encouraged to become involved in sowing and planting flowers and vegetables to learn about the natural world around them.

Cycles, prams and wheeled toys will be available to promote physical development.

Forest Schools

In addition to our own outdoor activities, the older children learn about the outdoor environment through our monthly forest school session provided by Oakapple Education.

Our sessions are planned by Laura Vayro who has over 12 years experience of teaching children to engage with and learn about the outdoor environment. During the sessions the children are involved in a variety of tasks including, discovery walks, story in the woods, bug hunts, making natural art and much, much more.

Research into forest schools programmes has reported that children benefit in the following ways:

- Increased confidence
- Improved Social Skills
- Improved language development and communication
- Better motivation and concentration
- Increased physical skills
- Development in understanding the world.

Mini Messy's

Football Sam visits once a month where through a football and play programme our 2,3 & 4year olds improve and expand their knowledge of numbers, colours and counting it helps improve physical skills such as agility, balance, and coordination and introduces concepts such as spatial awareness. It develops self confidence, independence, coordination sports skills and promotes teamwork.

Partnership with parents

Communication between nursery and home is essential and our aim is for us all to work together to provide a safe, stimulating and exciting home from home atmosphere, where you and your child feel happy, comfortable and relaxed at all times. We believe that a child's family is a central part of our nursery.

The time you as a parent and members of your family spend with us contributes to your child's development and will also build trust between your home and the nursery. To encourage this we will hold annual parents evenings and social events throughout the year. In addition to this the nursery staff will be available at all times to exchange information and discuss your child's development.

Food and drink

We offer a nutritious, well balanced and varied menu which explores food from around the world including Italy, Mexico, France, Morocco and many more, introducing a variety of tastes and textures. Food and drink provided are as follows...

8.30am - a variety of breakfast cereals and toast.

11.45am - a two course lunch.

3pm -an afternoon snack.

Milk or water will be served with all meals and drinking water will be available for all children at all times throughout the day.

It is our aim for children to enjoy meal times as social occasions, using good table manners and sensible behaviour.

Allergies and specific dietary requirements can be catered for.
Our meat is supplied by Stanley Ogden butchers in Grotton.

Opening hours, fees, terms & conditions

The nursery will open from 7.30 am - 6pm, Monday to Friday.

It will close on bank holidays and for one week at Christmas.

Fees are as follows

Full time.....£150

Full day.....£35

Am (7.30am - 1pm).....£23.50

Pm (1pm - 6pm)£22.50

There will be no charge on the days that the nursery is closed but for all other absences payment is due in full.

Fees are due in advance either weekly or monthly. If you choose to pay monthly, payment is due on either the 1st or the 16th of the month. Fees can be paid by cheque, cash, standing order or childcare voucher.

There will be a late payment charge of £10 per 15 mins for any child repeatedly collected late.

The nursery reserves the right to suspend your child's place if your account is in arrears for a length of time that is deemed unacceptable, until your account is brought up to date.

We offer a 10% discount for siblings. The discount will be applied to the lowest invoiced fees and will only apply to regular sessions. Extra sessions will not qualify for discount.

If you wish to decrease your child's attendance, we require one month's notice in writing.

One month's notice in writing is required to terminate your child's nursery place, or one month's fees will be charged in lieu of notice.

There is a £40 registration fee which will be deducted from your final fees provided one month's notice is given, but is non refundable if you do not take the place. We will not confirm your child's place until we receive the registration fee.

The Free Education entitlement offers every eligible 3 and 4 year old child access to free early years education. Below is some information about the Nursery Education grant.....

It is available to each child the term after their 3rd Birthday.

The maximum number of hours a parent can claim is 15hours per week.

You are able to split the claim over two childcare providers as long as you don't exceed the 15 hours.

When your child is eligible you will have to sign a parent declaration form and let the nursery see proof of your child's identity and date of birth.

Early years funding will be reflected in you invoices where the 15 free hours will be clearly stated, any additional hours your child attends will be charged at the normal nursery rate.

If your child is only attending the free 15 hours our nursery grant sessions are listed below.....

A.M - 8am - 1pm (5hrs)

P.M - 1pm - 6pm (5hrs)

Full day - 8am - 6pm (10hrs)

So the grant could be accessed by taking 1 x full day and 1 x half day or 3 x half days to total 15 hrs.

We are also able to offer funding to eligible two year olds please contact us or your local children's centre for more information

If you have any questions regarding the nursery education grant please do not hesitate to ask.

APPLICATION FORM

CHILD'S NAME	
HOME ADDRESS	
DATE OF BIRTH	
HOME TELEPHONE	
PARENT/GUARDIAN 1. NAME	
MOBILE	
EMAIL	
PLACE OF WORK & TELEPHONE	
PARENT/GUARDIAN 2. NAME	
MOBILE	
EMAIL	
PLACE OF WORK & TELEPHONE	
OTHER EMERGENCY CONTACT	
NAME	TELEPHONE
RELATIONSHIP TO CHILD	

NAME	TELEPHONE
RELATIONSHIP TO CHILD	
CHILD'S DOCTOR	
ADDRESS	
TELEPHONE	
IS YOUR CHILD UP TO DATE WITH IMMUNISATIONS	YES
NO	
ALLERGIES/MEDICAL CONDITIONS	
SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS	
ETHNIC ORIGIN	
RELIGION	
HOME LANGUAGE	
WHO HAS LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY	
COLLECTION PASSWORD	
START DATE	
SESSIONS REQUIRED	

I AGREE TO CORNERHOUSE DAY NURSERIES TERMS & CONDITIONS.

SIGNED

DATE