



Thank you for taking an interest in our nursery, you will find information regarding Happy Days Day Nursery below: -

***Mission Statement:***

Happy Days Day Nursery aims 'to provide a caring, safe and stimulating environment which enables children to progress and develop individually through play'.

Our nursery provides resources for all Children's individual needs.

Our nursery aims to demonstrate through positive values and respect children of all ethnic/racial groups, religions, cultures, linguistic backgrounds and abilities.

***Admissions Policy:***

The admissions policy at Happy Days Day Nursery incorporates the equal opportunities policy. No parent/carer or child will be discriminated against registration at the nursery. Admission will be on first come first serve basis.

***Childcare fees:***

If your on a low income you could be entitled to help towards your Childcare fees for more information visit: <https://www.gov.uk/tax-credits-if-you-have-baby> or you could be entitled to Tax Free Childcare for information visit: <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk>

***Parent Partnership and settling in policy:***

The nursery staff will work in partnership with all parents/carers to settle the child into the new environment.

Initial nursery visits will be arranged to familiarise your child with both Nursery setting and our dedicated staff.

During the first few visits, parents/carers are welcome to stay with your child for sufficient time, so that your child feels settled and you feel comfortable to leave them.

The arrangement can continue until your child feels comfortable within the nursery.

The nursery team share information and work together so every practitioner will know your Child. The team aim to build a positive relationship with parents to provide the best quality care for your Child.

All parents/carers are welcome to call into the nursery during the working day, to discuss their child/children's progress. A copy of the nursery policies and procedures are available in the reception area.

We have a suggestion box in the reception area for any comments or suggestions you may have.

We aim to be supportive and have a professional friendly relationship with all parents/carers and children.

### **Our Nursery Provides:**

\*Homemade meals which are well balanced and nutritious. Our main mealtimes are 08:00, 11:45 & 15:45. Children are also offered Snacks at 09:45 am and 13:45 this consisting of a selection of fresh fruit/biscuit and milk. We are happy to cater for children with cultural or dietary requirements and will work closely with the parent/carers to make sure this is done correctly. At mealtimes, all children are positively encouraged to wash their hands prior to eating and resume good table manners, whilst being independent and making their own choices. For the babies, all staff work in partnership with parents, in regard to feeding preferences as babies tends to be fed on demand and/or may have a bottle of milk. All children's individual needs are always met throughout mealtimes, with access to water, milk or juice.

***\*We have 5 stars for excellent food hygiene.***

\*Excellent security measures including our password policy and asking for photographic ID, when someone new is collecting a child. All parents/carers are asked to sign their child in and out of the nursery, for safety reasons. All visitors are required to complete our visitor's book and adhere to our mobile phone policy, as well as all staff members do. No mobile phones should be used within the nursery, to meet current legislation and safety measures.

\*A large secure outdoor play area which offers both grass and bark areas, including a seated area for all outdoor learning opportunities. We encourage the children to use the garden all year round, wearing the appropriate clothing, this is optional for children. We provide a wide range of equipment, which includes a digging area, role play, den making, reading area, water area plus many more experiences. Our garden is secure, and all fenced off with a gate, which is locked between the garden and the building, for extra security.

\*Staff have an enhanced DBS (Disclosure barring service). All staff are given a thorough induction, with clear guidelines of our high expectations. In addition: the nursery is

committed to continuous staff training, therefore keeping knowledge and skills up to date. Happy Days Day Nursery employment criteria is that staff must hold Paediatric First Aid, Food Safety, Child Protection level 2 and Health and Safety, which all are replenished every three years. All our staff are friendly, approachable and are always happy to help in any situation.

### **Early Years Curriculum:**

\* Happy Days Day Nursery complies with the requirements of the EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage) offering structured learning, development, and care for all children from birth. We emphasise on children's learning through enjoyment and play. Each Child will be given a key person, who will observe and record what they have seen. We use online learning journals called tapestry. Observations are sent to parents/carers on a weekly basis. The Child's online learning journal will be linked to their chosen Primary school this will support their transition.

### **The Seven Areas of Learning: -**

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Physical Development
- Communication and Language
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understand the World
- Expressive Arts and Design

Your Child's key person will use the information from observations to help plan activities, to support and enhance your child's learning and development, encouraging them to progress onto the next level of learning.

\*Happy Days Day Nursery always aims to be an educational, stimulating fun and happy environment for children. They will explore experience a variety of activities throughout their day. These include: -

\* Arts and crafts \*Sand Play \*Water Play \*Baking \*Music & Movement \*Gardening & Growing \*Story Time \*Quite/Relaxing Space \*Role Play \* Outdoor Play and den building and much more.

All activities are adapted appropriately according to age, ability, and next steps of the child's development.

## **Bugs Club**

Before and after School Club Fees: £4.50 per hours - 1-hour minimum charge

Holiday sessions:

08:00 - 13:00 £20.00

13:00 17:30 £20.00

08:00-17:30 £32.00

All fees include meals, snacks, and drinks.

## **Making the big decision:**

We understand the difficulties parents may have in choosing the right care for your child. This is one of the most crucial decisions made in a lifetime and so we endeavour to meet both parents and the child's individual needs, regarding childcare. We also appreciate that flexibility is required at times and we do our utmost to accommodate your needs as best as we can. For any more information about this service please feel free to contact us on telephone number: 01652 648228.

## **Room Structures:**

\* Caterpillar Room: 0 months - 2 years

\*Butterfly Room: - 2 years - 3.5 years

\* Pre-School Room: 3.5 years - 5 years

\*Bugs Club: 5 years - 11 years

## **Sessions:**

08:00 - 18:00 Full day

08:00 - 13:00 Morning session

09:00 - 14:00 Morning session

13:00 - 18.00 Afternoon session

(07:30 session are available at request. Additional fee payable £4.00)

**Prices: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023**

**(Full day 08:00 -17:45)**

**Half day 08:00 - 13:00 or 13:00 - 17:45)**

**Caterpillar room - 0-2 years**

Full day - £ 50

Half day - £30

**Butterfly room - 2-3 years**

Full day - £49.00

Half day - £29.50

**Preschool room - 3-5 years**

Full day - £ 48.00

Half day - £29.00

All food and drink are included within our prices unless your child is only accessing the 15/30 hours funding. Then there will be a small charge for lunch and light tea @ £1.50 each meal.

**Funding:**

2-year-old Government funding is available for families that meet a certain criteria, if you think you may be entitled, please speak to Jo

The government funding of 15 hours per week is available for all children from the first term after your Child's third birthday. 30 hours funding is also available for working families for more information please visit website: [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk)

Funded Sessions: 15 hours - 3 sessions - 09:15 - 14:15 or 13:00 - 17:45

30 hour funded sessions - please discuss with Jo - Director.

Funding is 38 weeks a year, it is possible to stretch the funding throughout the term, please speak to Jo for more information.

***We do ask all parents to supply the following (if required):***

Nappies, wipes, cream, change of clothing including underwear for potty/toilet trainers, bottles, comforters, Slippers, wellies, coats, and sun cream according to the season.

Please feel free to contact us

**Telephone:** 01652 648228

**Email:** [happydaysdaynursery@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:happydaysdaynursery@hotmail.co.uk)

If you would like to visit us, we do ask that you arrange a specific time. This is to ensure the safety of our children during busy times of the day. A senior member of staff will be happy to show you around and offer an informative visit, answering any questions you may have.

We of course welcome children on visits to the nursery, so please feel free to bring them along. We understand that it is a big decision to choose which place is the best for you and your child. Sometimes this can be a little overwhelming, so if you would like to visit more than once please feel free.

We have a large secure car park at the front of the Nursery.

Kind regards,

Director/ Manager: Mrs Jo Cowan - Brown