



Lake Street Nursery

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Prospectus: Information Parents and Carers

Lake Street Nursery is a charity, managed by parents and members of the local community, and provides early years education for children from the age of 2 years. Our Mission Statement is:

“to work in partnership with families and the community to provide a safe, friendly and nurturing environment for all children to learn and develop through play”

The group is affiliated to the Early Years Alliance and is registered with Ofsted. Nursery works in partnership with Oxfordshire County Council to supply funded places. The setting runs term times, in line with Oxfordshire 6 term year.

All places are charged a rate of £6.30 per hour:

We make a £10.00 Administration charge on receiving an application. (non returnable)

Staff and training

All our staff are experienced and our Key Person staff hold at least a Level 3 child care qualification. The Manager has Early Years Professional Status, and a PGCE. All staff receive 12 hour paediatric first aid training.

There will usually be five members of staff per session. Ratios are maintained, and often exceeded, at the statutory ratios of 1:4 for 2 year olds and 1:8 for 3 year olds. We encourage parental involvement in a number of ways, through reading to children during sessions to helping at events and on the Management Committee (Trustees).

Curriculum

Our curriculum is guided by the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) in line with statutory requirements. We have a large outside and inside area with free play for much of each session. We have a strong emphasis on outside play and exploration in all weathers. We have a strong Key Person system to support each child in their individual learning and development. We follow a simple routine

each day including sit down snack and lunch times, music and movement and group times in our Key groups at the end each session.

Admissions

Lake Street Nursery admits children from the age of 2 years and runs 10 sessions per week, with an 8.45 start, and ending at 11.45am. Afternoons run from 11.45am to 2.45pm. Those staying all day or starting at 11.45 bring a packed lunch. Children can stay at Nursery until the end of the Foundation Stage i.e. statutory school age.

Fees and Funding

A session costs £18.90 for three hours and sessions can be taken flexibly across the week.

All children are entitled to a government funded place from the term after their third birthday (September, January, April). This, free provision, can be split between settings, or with a childminder.

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Formerly the setting was known as Lake Street Community Playgroup and became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation in September 2017



Funding is also available for some 2 year olds from the term after their 2nd birthday (September, January, April).

Funding is also available to up to 30 hours for some working parents.

Our Administrator can advise about the funding schemes available and more information can be found at: <http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

Visits

You are welcome to visit before you apply for a place, to meet the staff and see the environment with your child. You are responsible for your child during these visits.

Please call to make an appointment. Visits are 10.00-10.30.

You may also find it helpful to bring your child to TAP (Thursday Afternoon Play): 3.00 – 5.00 on Thursday afternoons. Babies and toddlers are welcome. A member of Nursery staff is available, you can meet other families for a chat and your child can have fun and get used to the environment.

Once you have decided to enrol your child you will need to submit a Registration Form. Children are allocated places in accordance with our Admissions Policy. This can be found on our website.

Near the time of your child's first term our Administrator will be in touch to confirm your place and give your child a start date and time.

Please let us know as soon as possible if you decide that your child will not need a place after all.

On the first day you will be able to meet your child's key person, who will discuss a plan for settling your child. .

Equality and diversity

Lake Street aims to foster an environment where all cultures are respected and welcomed. We seek to promote and

reflect the diversity of our society in the resources and activities and in the behaviours and attitudes expressed.

Special needs

As part of the setting's policy to make sure that its provision meets the needs of each individual child, we take account of any special needs a child may have. Our Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator is Catherine Morey, Manager.

Safeguarding children

Our setting has a duty under the law to help safeguard children against suspected or actual 'significant harm'. Our employment practices guard against the likelihood of abuse in our setting and we have a procedure for managing complaints or allegations against a member of staff. Our way of working with children and their parents helps ensure we are aware of any problems that may emerge and can offer support, including referral to appropriate agencies when necessary, to help families in difficulty. Where a disclosure is made that leads us to suspect a child or vulnerable adult may be at risk we have an obligation by law to report this.

Data Protection

We keep your data safely and securely and only for the purposes of enrolling your child, keeping you informed of news and events and to secure funding. Once it is no longer needed it is destroyed.

Our data protection policy and Privacy Notice can be found on our website.

For more information about our setting come for a visit and visit our website at:

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