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# Welcome to The Old Rectory Nursery





# The Old Rectory Nursery

Our proud boast is that, since The Old Rectory Nursery opened in January 1986, we have cared for over 1000 children and we are now even caring for their children. Previous staff members are enrolling their children for childcare, pre-school education and work experience - we must be doing something right!

The Old Rectory Nursery is registered to care for up to 64 children per day Monday to Friday all year round, with an age range of 6 weeks to 8 years (primarily up to 5 years old) Our staff members have been specially selected for their skills, love and enjoyment in caring for and stimulating your children. We are lucky to have such a dedicated team.





## Baby Room

The baby room at The Old Rectory Nursery is a calm and relaxing space.

We have one member of staff for every three babies. The babies have access to many different experiences including messy play, sensory, outdoor play and much more.

We work very closely with parents to ensure babies routine and needs are met at all times. We go on walks in the local community.

We provide communication books so we can share with the parent how their child has been through the day with us, there is also the opportunity for parents to share experiences from home and to include messages.

Each child is allocated a key person to whom they will build their main attachments with. This person will support your child to settle at nursery.

#### Toddler Room

The toddler room at The Old Rectory Nursery provides a lot of opportunity to explore to allow the children to develop.

The toddler room has many areas including messy areas, cosy areas and much more.

Each child has a key person this person will support your child to achieve to their full potential. The ratio is worked out each day depending on the age of the children.

Under twos having a one to three ratio and over twos having a one to four ratio.

The toddlers have access to the outdoors daily in which they spend lots of time exploring. Meal times are treated as a social time where the staff will sit at the tables with the children whilst they eat.





#### Pre-school Room

The pre-school room at The Old Rectory Nursery provides lots of exciting opportunities.

The room provides many different areas such as small world, creative, ICT, role play, maths, cosy area and much more.

The Pre-School also have direct access to the outdoors in which they can free flow out to. The garden is very large has a lot for the children to engage in Ratios are worked out on a daily basis to meet the ages of children with children that are two being one to four and three year old children being one to eight.

When children are going to be starting school in the September they will participate in more adult led activities to prepare them for school.

There is a separate room that the children will go in for this. We have positive relationships with the schools around the area that the children then go up to. Reception teachers come to visit the children in nursery to ease the transition into school.

#### Outdoors

The Old Rectory Nursery has a large back garden.

The garden allows lots of opportunities for the children to be able to explore and develop.

There are many opportunities outdoors to enhance the children's physical development from balancing to climbing.

There is also sand pit, dens, a story telling chair and much more. The garden is a big part of nursery and the children have great fun out there.



### Physical Activity

Physical activity is vital for a child's development and begins the foundations for a healthy and active life.

At The Old Rectory Nursery we understand the importance of physical activity for our children.

We plan activities to ensure that the children are spending some time each day engaging in physical activities such as dance, games and much more.

We also have a coach come in weekly to engage in a physical session with the children.

This can sometimes be football, yoga, multisport and much more.



#### Hours & Times at The Old Rectory Nursery

The Nursery is open 51 weeks of the year, Monday to Friday. It is closed on Bank Holidays and between Christmas and New Year.

Full time normal opening hours are: 8:00am - 5:30pm, an early drop off from 7.30am and a late pick up till 6.00pm are available by prior arrangement - special rates apply.

We can offer FREE places under the Government FEEE schemes providing you meet the necessary criteria, just talk to us about your requirements.

FEEE (Free Early Education Entitlement) hours are by agreement - daily, am or pm. non standard hours are by negotiation.



#### Education at The Old Rectory Nursery

The Old Rectory Nursery is a validated setting, offering FEEE (Free Early Education Entitlement), alongside childcare, to all children the term after their third birthday. They are given the opportunity to work towards the all important standards of early learning goals required by Ofsted, before they enter compulsory education.

The areas of learning are broken down into three prime areas and four specific are:

#### Prime Areas

Social and Emotional Development - involves helping children to develop a positive sense of themselves, and others; to form positive relationships and develop respect for others; to develop social skills and learn how to manage their feelings; to understand appropriate behaviour in groups; and to have confidence in their own abilities.

Physical Development - involves providing opportunities for young children to be active and interactive; and to develop their co-ordination, control, and movement. Children must also be helped to understand the importance of physical activity, and to make healthy choices in relation to food.

Communication and Language - development involves giving children opportunities to experience a rich language environment; to develop their confidence and skills in expressing themselves; and to speak and listen in a range of situations.

#### Specific Areas

Literacy - development involves encouraging children to link sounds and letters and to begin to read and write. Children must be given access to a wide range of reading materials (books, poems, and other written materials) to ignite their interest.

Mathematics - involves providing children with opportunities to develop and improve their skills in counting, understanding and using numbers, calculating simple addition and subtraction problems; and to describe shapes, spaces, and measures.

Understanding the World - involves guiding children to make sense of their physical world and their community through opportunities to explore, observe and find out about people, places, technology and the environment.

Expressive Arts and Design - involves enabling children to explore and play with a wide range of media and materials, as well as providing opportunities and encouragement for sharing their thoughts, ideas and feelings through a variety of activities in art, music, movement, dance, roleplay, and design and technology.

It is a requirement that, for your child to receive nursery education funding, a Parental Statement of Undertaking is completed and signed by the parent/carer and a copy of their child's birth certificate is produced to verify their date of birth.

Eligibility table and headcount dates to qualify for funding are on display on the parents notice board.



### Development at The Old Rectory Nursery

From the day they start at out nursery every child's achievement are recorded in their own online learning journey. This is called tapestry. By using an online learning journey it is easy for you to add achievements of your child on to their file.

Relevant reports are forwarded to their in-taking mainstream school.

Our aim is for your child to develop his/her full potential whilst gaining confidence through positive experiences during their time at our nursery.

### Outings and Experiences at The Old Rectory Nursery

These are organised in line with your child's formal learning to broaden their experience of life. They will include trips to the library, shops, to the park or to feed the ducks or see the horses. The toddlers and preschool children also have a summer trip once a year whilst the babies enjoy a fun day at nursery.



## Nutrition at The Old Rectory Nursery

Children are generally very active and therefore need good, nourishing food to keep them going. We plan a varied menu to broaden their taste buds (this doesn't always work!) and to take into account any special dietary requirements where necessary.

Your children will have an early morning snack (the older children help themselves from their snack bar), have a balanced 2 course midday meal and a substantial tea, all prepared daily in our own kitchen.

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#### Policies and Standards at The Old Rectory Nursery

These include all the important areas of standards for your child's development, care and opportunities. They are recorded in our nursery quality manual. They are constantly changing as we are always looking to improve the nursery whilst laying down a secure foundation for learning in line with the Early Years Foundation Stage.

Every child deserves the best possible start in life and the support that enables them to fulfil their potential. Children develop quickly in the early years and a child's experiences between birth to five have a major impact on their future life chances. A secure, safe and happy childhood is very important.

The nursery quality manual is available on request and this will give you further insight and assurance into how you child will remain safe and secure whilst in our care.

Having decided that you would like your child to attend our nursery we will arrange a suitable time for you to complete a Childcare Agreement form along with your child's Personal Record form. At this meeting we will go through the nursery quality manual in detail.



Victoria Stone
OWNER AND MANAGER

Victoria is the Owner and Manager of The Old Rectory Nursery. Victoria has been at the nursery for 11 years. Victoria



Sam Liggins
DEPUTY MANAGER

Sam has been a valued member of staff at The Old Rectory Nursery for 14 years. Sam is the Deputy Manager. Sam works



Amy Stretton SENIOR NURSERY NURSE

Amy has been a valued member of staff at The Old Rectory Nursery for 7 years. Amy is a senior Nursery Nurse. Amy



Claire Marlow NURSERY NURSE

Claire has been a valued member of staff at The Old Rectory Nursery for 4 years. Claire works mainly within the



Charlie Hutt NURSERY NURSE

Charlie joined our team at The Old Rectory Nursery in June 2017. Charlie was previously a student here at the nursery.



Chloe Brankin NURSERY NURSE

Chloe joined our team at The Old Rectory Nursery in November 2016 having previously worked in Hinckley,



Hollie Powers
NURSERY NURSE

Hollie joined our team at The Old Rectory Nursery in November 2017 having previously worked in another nursery, Hollie has



Leah Atkins
NURSERY NURSE

Leah has been a valued member of staff at The Old Rectory Nursery for 2 years. Leah works mainly within the baby room but



Kayleigh Underwood

Kayleigh has been a valued member of staff at The Old Rectory Nursery for 3 years. Kayleigh works mainly within the



Sarah Hutchinson

NURSERY NURSE

Sarah has been a valued member of staff at The Old Rectory Nursery for 11 years. Sarah works in all of the rooms



Edyta Felton NURSERY CHEF

Edyta has been a valued member of staff at The Old Rectory Nursery for 4 years. Edyta is our nursery cook. She



Nicola Armstrong

Nicola is our member of staff that does cover work for us. She has been doing this for 3 years. Nicola covers anyone that is off



Estelle Smith COVER NURSERY NURSE

Estelle is our member of staff that does cover work for us. She has been doing this for 1 year. Estelle covers anyone that is off



Deb Hunt
COVER NURSERY NURSE

Deb is our member of staff that does cover work for us. Deb recently joined us. Deb covers anyone that is off or on days that

Monday - Friday 8am - 5:30pm
Saturday Closed
Sunday Closed
Early drop off from 7.30am and
late pick up till 6.00pm by prior
arrangement.

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