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At little Monsters Day Nursery & Pre-school our home from home environment offers excellent opportunities for children aged from 3 months to 5 years to play and learn thought-out our individually designed area's.

Our approach to childcare is simple; provide a loving, nurturing safe environment filled with warmth and promise where individual talents are encouraged to flourish and grow



Our Curriculum

At Little Monsters Day Nursery and Pre-School we believe that "every child is a unique child who is constantly learning".

We aim to make each child's early education experience positive and meaningful.



We know that children learn best in a welcoming, warm, secure and caring environment, where they are able to experiment and have fun, take risks, learn from their experience and grow in confidence.

The unique character and individuality of each child is emphasized and valued

We follow the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) Framework.

Children in the EYFS learn by playing and exploring, being active, and through creative and critical thinking which take place both indoors and outside.

This means your child will be learning skills, acquiring new knowledge and demonstrating their understanding through 7 areas of learning and development.

Key person will teach and support your child through observation, assessments and planning to ensure that the activities are suited to your child's unique needs and interests.

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Children from 0-2 years will develop the 3 prime areas first.

These are:

- Communication and language
- Physical development
- Personal, social and emotional Development

These prime areas are those most essential for your child's healthy development and future learning.

As your child grows, the prime area will help them to develop skills in 4 specific areas.

These are:

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the world
- Expressive arts and design

How your child will learn and develop



Age ranges are indicative but are dependent upon individual circumstances and development.

From 0-14 months

"Loving, nurturing, simulating in a beautiful safe environment"

Your baby is special to us. Your baby's routine is important to ensure the continuity from home to nursery.

Our baby rooms are spacious and filled with bright soft furnishing and wonderful age-appropriate resources.

The staff ratio in the baby room is 1:3 Where each child is given a Key Person.

At the end of each day the Key Person Will give you feedback, both verbally and in the form of a daily dairy, keeping you up to date with all the activities in which your child has been involved.

From 12 -24 months

Wonder, Curiosity, Adventure & Fascination"

We introduce activities to meet their natural curiosity, growing energy and development, whether it's pouring at a water table, stacking tumbling blocks or playing with shapes and puzzles.



From 22-36 months

"Communicating, expressing and understanding"

In these years the foundation for learning is laid by making it fun and by recognizing that personal, emotional and social development are key to future education. The key Person creates individual plans through range of structured adult led activities and child initiated play to reflect the Early Years Foundation Stages curriculum

The environment reflects the starting point of early Pre-School routines using roleplay, construction, book corner and art and craft areas. The children also have access to outdoor area throughout the day, so are stimulated all day long

From 36 months – 5 years

'Play is the highest form of research'
-Albert Einstein

This is a critical stage where we support each child learning and development to ensure a smooth transition to primary school.

Each day the children can choose from a range of learning opportunities set up within the environment.

The teachers support each child through focus led learning and help build skills that prepare them for school such as:

- Numeracy
- Pre-Reading
- Technology
- Social & creative skills
- Physical development
- Thinking and intellectual development
- Computer + ICT skills
- Phonics

Example Daily Timetable

07.30 - 09.00	Welcome and settling in Breakfast where required Free Play
09.00 - 10.00	Settling in and circle time
10.00	Mid-morning snack bar/bottle where appropriate
10.30 - 11.00	Activities and play along with key person
11.30 - 12.00	Tidy-up time Story time
12.00 - 12.30	Lunch
12.30 - 1.15	Free play
1.15 - 2.00	Activities and play along with key person
2.00 - 2.30	Afternoon snack
2.30 - 4.00	Free Play
4.00	Tea
5.00 - 6.00	Story time and quiet activity creating a calm atmosphere before home time

Notes – Nappies are changed as and when necessary and not to set timetable There is no set nap times and children are settled to their own routine – some are rocked, some are cuddled, some simply put in a cot with soft music. Our high ratio of staff to children means that we are able to adapt easily to each child 's individual needs.

GENERAL INFORMATION

ILLNESS

Children who are ill should remain at home. Children suffering from sickness and/or diarrhoea must stay away for 48 hours <u>after</u> the symptoms have ceased. If your child is going to be absent, If possible please call and let us know. Thank you - 01252 628111

COLLECTION

If someone different will be collection your child, please ensure that their details have been given to a member of nursery staff before the collection <u>We will not</u> allow any child to leave without prior parent/carer consent.

MEDICATION

Where possible this should be administered before session. If your child requires His/her inhaler or medication during the session, you will be asked to fill out a consent form. We can only administer prescribed medication from a doctor.

NON COLLECTION

In the unlikely event of "non collection" of your child at the end of the session, the following procedure will be put in place.

• We will call both parents at home/work/mobile.

After a reasonable time then:-

• We will contact person/s named on the registration form and ask them to collect your child.

If again no response we will:-

Take help and guidance from Children's Services

NURSERY POLICIES

A full set of Little Monsters Day Nursery policies are available on request and we encourage all parents to take time to read through them.

INDUCTION

Once a start date has been agreed and we have received your application fee, it is suggested that you arrange introductory visits to the nursery for your child at around 2 weeks prior to the official start date. These visits are intended to help your child become familiar with the nursery environment and routine and to get to know the staff and other children. A parent or carer should attend these sessions with your child.

UNIFORM

We do not insist on children wearing uniform but do feel that it helps to create a sense of belonging.

Sweatshirts and T-shirts with the nursery logo can be ordered from the staff. The following items are necessary.

- •A pair of soft soled shoes i.e. plimsolls or slippers for indoors.
- A pair of wellington boots or shoes for outdoor activities.
- For younger children change of clothes in case of an accident.
- •Please name all clothing including shoes and wellington boots.

BIRTH CERTIFICATE

Please dig out your child's birth certificate as the Nursery Manager will need to make a copy of this when your child attends a visit or their first session.

Our Fees

- Daily hours 07.30am 6.00pm Monday to Friday.
- Fees are payable one month in advance by standing order or cheque.
- Full time and Daily Fees include breakfast, mid-morning snack, lunch, afternoon snack and tea.
- Fees include wet wipes and cream, however we would ask that parents provide nappies. Parents are also required to provide sun hats during the Summer months.
- The nursery is open 51 weeks per year. The nursery will close at 12 noon on Christmas Eve or the last working day before Christmas.
- As we are closed for the week between Christmas and New Year this week is not charged for.
- Bank holidays are taken into account when costing our fees and are charged for.

Monthly fees are calculated as follows:

Monthly Fee = Weekly Fee x 51/12 e.g. fees for a child of two years attending for 2 days per week would be $\pm 87 \times 51/12 = \pm 369.75$

Per Week	Under 3 years	3 – 5 years
Full Time	£392.5	£375
4 Days	£314	£300
3 Days	£235.5	£225
2 Days	£157	£150
Per Day	£78.50	£75

Per Session	2 to 5 year olds
Morning Session 07.30 – 1300 inc. b'fast & lunch	£40
Afternoon session 1300 – 1800 inc. tea	£40
Hourly fees are available on request	£9 per hour minimum 2 hours

TERMS & CONDITIONS

- For the care and safety of the children at Little Monsters, entry may be refused on any day on which a child is infectious in any way and an exclusion policy exists for infectious conditions.
- We request that children suffering with sickness or diarrhoea, or on antibiotics are kept at home for 48 hours after the last bout of illness or the first day of antibiotics.
- It is understood that any carer who considers that a child in their care may have been abused or neglected has a duty to report this to the relevant legislative bodies.
- Fees are subject to annual review and are paid by standing order, in advance for the following calendar month.
- Failure to pay fees promptly by the 28th day monthly, will ensure a late payment charge of £1 per day.
- There is no reduction of fees due to sickness.
- -24 hours notice will be required to cancel any extra sessions booked
- In order to ensure maximum levels of care, the nursery will close for 3 days per year for staff development and training.
- The nursery is open 51 weeks per year. The nursery is closed for approximately one week between Christmas and New Year and fees are not charged for this week.
- Non-payment of fees in advance or continued late collection of children may result in refusal to accept a child at nursery without notice.
- Late collection is charged for at £10 for every 10 minutes after nursery closes
- One month's written notice with fee is required to withdraw your child.
- It is understood that parents must keep the nursery updated in writing in respect of any change in contact details, ongoing illnesses/medical conditions and allergies.
- Little Monsters will not be held responsible for any unlabelled clothing.
- It is understood that Little Monsters will apply its best endeavours to provide a place for a sibling of the child referred to in this Agreement.
- If this application is cancelled within one month prior to the start date, Little Monsters will retain any deposit in its entirety.
- Should any property be purposely damaged by your child beyond any reasonable repair, you will be invoiced for the cost or asked to provide a replacement
- It is understood that Little Monsters may vary the terms and conditions from time to time.
- A full range of Little Monsters policies and procedures are available and we require these to be read and signed by any parent registering with us.
- We cannot allow a child to leave our premises with anyone other than the designated parent or carer, unless they inform us of your pre-arranged password.