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GRASSHOPPERS  
LEAP INTO  
ACTION IN

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# THE GRASSHOPPER ROOM



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Incy Wincy's is set within a charming Grade II listed building on the edge of the market town of Bedale and in the heart of our community. A close knit nursery committed to providing the highest quality care and education we put children's emotional, physical & developmental needs at the heart of everything that we do.

## *Grasshoppers Pre-School leaps into action...*

In response to parental requests our new Pre-School opened in September 2016. Based in the town's former Children Centre adjacent to our main nursery building the light and airy room looks out over Bedale Park. The Grasshopper Pre-School room offers families more flexibility and choice, morning and afternoon sessions are available on a term time basis with additional wrap around hours for those who need them. For details of session times and prices please see the enclosed slip or visit our website.

Our Educators are led by a Teacher in Early Years; the team provide children with a vibrant play space and build supportive relationships so they can get to know each child's needs, talents and interests. Our aim is to teach children the skills they need and support their individual learning so that it will last them a lifetime. A broad range of play possibilities covering all seven areas of learning within the Early Years Foundation Stage are on offer each term.





# WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM US


- To be consulted regularly about the service we provide
- To be invited to join Incy Wincy's Parent Forum
- A home visit and settling in sessions to give your child the best start possible
- A cheery welcome and outline of the activities on offer each day
- For your child to have fun, make new friends and learn through play
- To receive regular updates about your child's progress
- Regular newsletters and updates, so you know the exciting developments at Incy Wincy's
- To have access to clear policies and procedures that support what we do day to day
- A healthy, nutritious snack mid-morning & mid-afternoon



## WHAT WE EXPECT FROM YOU

- To be respectful of others and contribute to our inclusive, nurturing environment
- To contribute to our pre-school room; sharing your ideas, skills and a little time
- For your child to be signed in, signed out and collected promptly each session
- Telephone us to let us know if your child will not be attending
- To make sure someone is available to collect your child if needed (within no more than 30 minutes)
- To pay any invoice promptly no later than the 14th of each month
- Inform us of any changes to the information on your child's registration form
- Talk to your child's Key Person regularly, sharing their learning at home





*Play Space:* the main play space offers children the opportunity to play and explore, developing their interests and imagination in the following areas: Construction, Role Play, Sand/Water, Office, Maths, SMART board & much more


*Studio:* the studio gives children a space to be creative, they will have the chance to explore clay, paint, wood and many other materials. Whether they choose to combine materials or work with just one they can revisit their creations, developing their imaginative ideas

*Family Room:* a quieter multi use room for families to have space to talk, for small group activities and for staff to complete planning, preparation & assessments.

*Hideaway:* a quiet area within the main play space for one or two children to relax, connect with their senses and get away from the busy playroom for a time

*Outdoors:* the children play in our beautiful nursery gardens, take advantage of the space the park offers and go further afield on outings and trips

*Community Connections:* our location benefits children's learning allowing easy access to the library, fire station, market, community bakery to name but a few





## LITTLE EXTRAS

In addition to our day to day offering there are a few little extras that families can choose to add on:

*Little Foresters sessions:* families are invited to book their child in for our Little Forester sessions, please note there is an additional cost for these sessions

*A yummy lunch:* with a little notice families can choose to order a yummy home-cooked lunch for their child, our seasonal menu can be viewed on our website

*Take Home Meal service:* our nursery Take Home Meal service is also available to families of children attending Grasshoppers

*Nursery Bag:* available for parents to purchase to keep all their child's nursery bit and bobs together

*Lending library:* will be developed to support children's learning at home

*Breakfast bar:* open to children attending the Jump Up session our breakfast bar is available until 8:30am offering a range of cereals, bakery products, yoghurt & fresh fruit is on offer

*Please note:* some of our Little Extras may have a cost attached to them, these and any additional hours will be invoiced in line with our usual nursery terms and conditions. Invoices are sent at the start of each month and are payable on 14<sup>th</sup> of that month, we accept a range of employment voucher schemes please ask for more details.

## FACTS ABOUT FUNDING

The Grasshopper Room offers places for children aged 2, 3 & 4 years old who are entitled to government funding.

All children are entitled to 15 hours funding the term after their third birthday, the funding covers term time sessions over 38 weeks of the year in line with NYCC term dates. A child's birthday must fall on or before the dates below to qualify for that term:

**31<sup>st</sup> August for the Autumn Term (Sept - Dec)**

**31<sup>st</sup> December for the Spring Term (Jan - Apr)**

**31<sup>st</sup> March for the Summer Term (May - Aug)**



Places are offered to children eligible for two year old funding, there are certain criteria that must be met to receive this funding to find out more, visit the NYCC website ([www.northyorks.gov.uk](http://www.northyorks.gov.uk)) and search for 'Early education funding'.

Funded places in our Grasshopper Room can be booked in 3 hour sessions either 9am to 12noon, or 12noon to 3pm. Parents may choose combinations of these to use their full 15 hour entitlement.

### *To book a place:*

- Families are encouraged to visit us first, to meet the team and see for themselves what makes us Outstanding
- Complete and return an Application Form, please note there is no registration fee for children attending for a funded only place
- For those families applying for a 2 year old place we will ask to see the letter sent by the local authority to confirm your child's entitlement
- A member of our team will contact you to arrange a home visit and discuss the settling in sessions available
- Families are asked to complete a Parent Declaration and show their child's original Birth Certificate or alternative identification document