

## Information for Parents

The Pre-School Group meets from 9.30 am until 12.30, Monday to Friday during local school term time. We also offer an optional 9.00am start, lunch club until 1.30pm, and one extended afternoon a week until 2.45pm

We aim to give positive learning and play experiences to children from the ages of approximately 2 to 5 years old in a caring environment. We operate Rising 5 activities within the Pre-school Group during the year to prepare the older children for their transition to Primary School.



During each session we aim to have a period of free play activity with the use of large apparatus, ride-on toys, sand, water, role-play activity, painting, drama, dance etc.

There is a topic for each week and children are asked to bring suitable items for the Interest Table. There is also a Letter of the Week. At registration and while talking about items brought for the Interest Table, the children are encouraged to express themselves by taking part in active discussion.

Milk and snacks are provided during the morning, with a special 'Fruity Friday' when parents are encouraged to bring in fruit for the children to share.



After this, more structured activities are planned, e.g.: pencil work, puzzles, educational games, play dough, sticking and music. Books are always available throughout the morning, and children are encouraged to use book reading in both free play and structured sessions.

The session ends at 12.30 with a story and a Christian prayer.

Parents are asked to help on occasions such as visits, outings and special events. All parents are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting. We occasionally arrange social activities.

In the term prior to a child's admission, he/she and his/her parents are invited to attend a session when the parent will have the opportunity to talk to staff and to see Pre-School group activities first hand. The child will be encouraged to join in activities with the other children.



We endeavour to look after each child as if he/she was our own, and should a child become distressed or unwell he/she will be comforted by a member of staff until a parent or carer can be contacted and arrives to collect them.

We look forward to having the privilege of teaching and encouraging your child to reach his or her full potential.

Charges per session £10.50 for non funded children (children are funded by the government for 5 sessions a week in the term after their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday)

9.00am start £1.50 per day

Lunch club £3.50 per day

Extended afternoon £9.25 (includes lunch club)