



Term time childcare for 2 -3-year-olds

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Welcome

Welcome to Playstation Pre-school and thank you for enquiring with us about providing care to your child.

We know how important your child is and aim to deliver the highest quality of care and education to help them to achieve their best start in their education journey.

This prospectus aims to provide you with an introduction to Playstation Pre-school, our routines, our approach to supporting your child's learning and development and how we aim to work together with you, to best meet your child's individual needs.

Our setting aims to:

- Provide high quality care and education for children below statutory school age,
- Work in partnership with parents to help children to learn and develop,
- Add to the life and well-being of the local community, and
- Offer children and their parents a service that promotes equality and values diversity.

Parents

You are regarded as members of our setting who have full participatory rights. These include a right to be:

- Valued and respected,
- Kept informed,
- Consulted, and
- Included at all levels.



Learning and Development

We aim to ensure that each child:

- Is in a safe and stimulating environment,
- Is given generous care and attention, because of our ratio of qualified staff to children,
- Has the chance to join in with other children and adults to play, work and learn together,
- Is helped to take forward their learning and development by being helped to build on what they already know and can do,
- Has a personal key person who makes sure each child makes progress,

The Early Years Foundation Stage

Provision for the development and learning of children from birth to five is guided by the Early Years Foundation Stage. Playstation Pre-school's provision reflects the four overarching principles of the *Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage (DfE 2024)*

A Unique Child

Every child is a unique child who is constantly learning and can be resilient, capable, confident and self-assured.

Learning and Development

Children develop and learn in different ways and at different rates. The framework covers the education and care of all children of early years provision including children with special educational needs and disabilities.

Enabling Environments

Children learn and develop well in enabling environments, in which their experiences respond to their individual needs and there is a strong partnership between practitioners, parents and carers.

Positive Relationships

Children learn to be strong and independent through positive relationships.

How we provide for development and learning

Children start to learn about the world around them from the moment they are born. The care and education offered by Playstation Pre-school helps children to continue to do this by providing all the children with interesting activities that are appropriate for their age and stage of development.

The areas of development and learning comprise of

Prime Areas

- Personal, Social and Emotional development
Self-regulation, Managing self, and Building relationships
- Physical development
Gross motor skills, and Fine motor skills
- Communication and Language
Listening, attention and understanding, and speaking

Specific Areas

- Literacy
Comprehension, Word reading, and Writing
- Mathematics
Numbers, and Numerical patterns
- Understanding the World
Past and present, People, culture and communities, and the natural world
- Expressive arts and Design
Exploring and using medial and materials and being imaginative.

The Early Years Foundation Stage requires that we supply parents and carers with a **Two-Year Progress Check** of their child's development in the three prime areas of learning and development. Your child's key person is responsible for completing this check using information from on-going observational assessment carried out as part of our everyday practice. We keep an on-line learning journey for each child, celebrating their achievements. When your child first starts at Playstation they will be given a keyperson who will work to help settle and stay with them throughout their time with us.

Policies

The Early Years Foundation State statutory framework sets the standards for early years providers. It covers learning, development, health, safety and qualifications for children from birth to five. These standards are reflected in our policies.

The Committee

The Playstation is a registered charity and as such has a committee to ensure the smooth and effective running. The members of office (Chair, treasurer and secretary) are elected by the committee members at our Annual General Meeting.

Our fees

At Playstation we have two tiers of fees. These are payable in advance of each half term. Fees must still be paid if children is absent/off sick/on holiday, if your child is absent due to exceptional circumstances please contact us. Payment of fees secures your child's place, please refer to our policies regarding this. For children in receipt of funding, whether it is nine months, two year funding, three- or four-year-old funding, there will be fees applied for any hours above your government entitlement.

Our fees are:

- 2-year-olds = £6.00 Per hour
- 3- and 4-year-olds = £5.50 Per hour

We also have a consumables charge of £5.00 per half term for those attending up to 15 hours a week and £10.00 per half term for those attending up to 30 hours a week.

For full information on funding please visit the government childcare choices website.

Snacks and mealtimes

We make snacks and mealtimes a social time at which children eat together. We provide the children with healthy and nutritious food. We always take any allergies or dietary requirements into consideration when planning our snack menu. Staff are always on hand to supervise and help the children.

If your child is attending our lunch club, you will need to provide them with a packed lunch that supports our healthy eating policy. **Please remember we are a nut free setting.** We encourage packed lunches not to contain sweets or chocolate, (Chocolate biscuits will be fine, but not bars of chocolate). Please also ensure food is of suitable portion sizes for the age of your child and fruit is cut into slices to avoid the risk of choking.

What your child will need to bring to Playstation

Each session please ensure your child has a bag with a change of clothes, also if your child is in nappies please provide additional nappy and wipes or similar. Please also provide your child with a drink.

Please could we ask that your child has suitable footwear and clothing for playing outside, along with a change of footwear for playing indoors in wetter months. During the summer please could your child bring in a sunhat.

Please ensure all your child's belongings are named, especially water bottles, sunhats and comfort toys, this stops any confusion and upset!

Meet the Playstation Staff



Michelle Elmer
Manager



Stella Simpkin
Deputy Manager



Helen Hill
Lead Practitioner



Amy King
SENDCo



Elizabeth Chisnall
Deputy SENDCo



Lydia Ball
Year Years Practitioner



Charly Smith
Early Years Practitioner



Izzy Lee
Early Years Apprentice



Leah Wilkes
Early Years Practitioner



Charley Cobbold
Lunch Cover and Bank
Staff



Frances Sheen
Early Years Practitioner