

Valley Nursery School

Little Chicks Prospectus



At Little Chicks we aim to build relationships with children and families, we are always here to listen to your views and concerns. We operate from Valley Nursery School. Our Chicks entrance can be found to the left of the conservatory.

Our session times are:

8.30am - 11.30am

12.30pm - 3.30pm

We are open for breakfast from 8.00am and chargeable sessions are £3.00 per hour.

Time2Start (Two Year Old Funding)

Do you get any of the following support payments?

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit with an annual income of less than £16,190
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guaranteed Element of State Pension Credit



If you can answer yes to any of these questions you may qualify for fifteen hours of funded early education and childcare for 2 year olds. Please phone the Walsall Family Information Service on 01922 653383 with your National Insurance Number to find out whether you are eligible.

Food & Drink



We provide healthy snacks, fruit, squash, milk and water. We sometimes cook with the children. Please advise us of any allergies.

Play

Children have a range of exciting activities indoors and out. They will paint, build, ride bikes, climb and enjoy messy play. Please send your child in clothing suitable for all weathers. We use aprons but children will sometimes get wet or dirty. A separate set of clothes is always helpful.

Rest



If children get tired we let them sleep on soft, comfortable cushions.

Outings

Children may go in to the community like the library or Leamore Park or the church. We will ask you to sign a consent form for these visits which are part of our offer. If we go further (e.g. Dudley Zoo, Snowdome or Himley Park) we ask you to accompany your child. Risk assessments are in place for all of these visits.

What to bring to school



School bag with your child's name on, with nappies, change of clothes.

Safeguarding

At Valley we believe that every child has the right to protection from abuse and neglect. All staff have training in keeping children safe and have a duty to follow the Walsall Child Protection procedures if they have any concerns.

It is our priority to make sure children are safe and healthy. Password System is in place should someone other than yourself collect your child. Please close all doors behind you as you leave. Please park outside the school gates and leave the front entrance clear.

Designated Safeguarding Lead:
Dawn Kelly (Head Teacher)

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead:
Ian Morris (Deputy Head Teacher)

Medication



No medication is given in school unless essential
e.g. ventolin inhaler

Early Years Foundation Stage

We use the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) framework as a basis for all we do.

The EYFS seeks to provide:

- Quality and consistency in all early years settings, so that every child makes good progress;
- A secure foundation through learning and development opportunities which are planned around the needs and interests of each individual child and are assessed and reviewed regularly;
- Partnership working between practitioners and with parents and/or carers;
- Equality of opportunity and anti-discriminatory practice, ensuring that every child is included and supported.

Policies

Our policies and procedures are available for you to read and are located just inside Little Chicks room at any time. Please ask a member of staff if you wish to see them they include:

- Safeguarding Policy
- Behaviour Policy
- Whistleblowing Policy
- E-Safety Policy
- Intimate Care Policy
- Equal Opportunities
- Learning and Development Policy

Compliments & Complaints

We welcome any comments parents wish to make about our school and regularly ask for your views. A compliments and complaints book is available for your comments. In the event of a serious complaint, contact the Head Teacher, Barry Dutton (Chair of Governors) or Ofsted.

Head Teacher: Dawn Kelly

Valley Nursery School, Blakenall Heath, Blakenall, Walsall, WS3 1HT

Chair of Governors: Barry Dutton

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