

Prospectus 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your valued enquiry regarding Wiggles Nursery.

We hope that this prospectus will provide you with all the information you need, and is presented in a way that is both interesting and informative.

To make an appointment to visit our nursery, please telephone 01208 812881 or email nblake@wadebridge.cornwall.sch.uk and we will be delighted to welcome you. During your visit we can discuss your child's care needs and our vacancies.

Yours faithfully

Nordean Blake

(Wiggles Manager)

About our Nursery

We have two bright, light & sunny playrooms; a Nursery room and a Preschool room, which open directly onto our wonderful enclosed garden. Our Nursery room is fully equipped for children aged 3 months to 2 years old, where we cater for their individual needs in a comforting and caring environment. We continue with the same ethos of ensuring that the children are comforted and cared for in the Pre-school room, however, we also ensure the provision of enrichment activities and resources to enable the children to build up their independence and gain a thirst to investigate and learn.

We are very lucky to have the school grounds which include a huge field perfect for balls and parachute games and a tennis court where the children like playing with the bats and balls. We also have a wonderful woody corner on our school grounds, which offers our children a change of environment and resources.

Our dedicated and highly qualified team of six practitioners ensure the children have age stage appropriate toys, activities and resources inside and out to meet their individual needs. The children's needs and interests are always paramount to our planning engaging the children and giving them a thirst to learn and explore. All of our team regularly undertaking training to ensure we are all implementing the newest initiatives possible.

We like to work very closely with you as parents and carers. We believe that you are the first educators of your children and we ensure that we build on the foundations you have already laid from day one. We use "Tapestry" which helps us to communicate daily with yourselves and you can see what your child has been learning and taking part in that day. We also encourage parents and carers to add to "Tapestry" so we can learn what your child likes, see what they have been doing and share any special moments with you.

We offer your child the scope to acquire skills, learn to communicate, gain confidence and most of all to have fun. We present a wide range of activities which promote your child's physical, intellectual, emotional and social skills as well as language development. These skills will be developed through both organised and child initiated play which stimulates initiative and imagination.

Our Nursery room

Our Nursery room caters for the needs of children 2 years and under. As the children approach their second birthday they are gently integrated with the older children to make the transition from the Nursery room less overwhelming.







Our Pre-school room



Our Pre-school room caters for the needs of the children from 2 years and over.

In our Pre-school room we also offer a drop off and pick up package from our closest primary partner, Wadebridge Primary Academy, which we call our wrap around care sessions.

Our wrap around care sessions provide care for children up to the age of 8 years old. Children are welcome to bring their own snacks for the drop off sessions and snacks are provided in our pick up sessions.





Our Staff

Our Wiggles team is built up of six Early Years practitioners all of whom are highly qualified and committed to their on-going professional development and most importantly to giving the highest standards of care to the children in our nursery.

All staff are DBS checked, First Aid trained and kept up to date with Safeguarding training.



Nordean - Nursery Manager



Claire - Nursery Deputy Manager





Jess Nursery Room practitioner

Adam Pre-School Room practitioner





Clare – Wrap-Around Co-ordinator

Sandra – Pre-School practitioner

Our Curriculum

The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) sets standards for the learning, development and care of children from birth to 5 years old. All schools and Ofsted-registered early years' providers must follow the EYFS, including child-minders, preschools, nurseries and school reception classes. The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) framework supports an integrated approach to early learning and care. It gives all professionals a set of common principles and commitments to deliver quality early education and childcare experiences to all children.

As well as being the core document for all professionals working in the foundation years, the EYFS framework gives mums,dads and carers confidence that regardless of where they choose for their child's early education, they can be assured that the same statutory commitments and principles will underpin their child's learning and development experience.

At Wiggles we believe that it is important to give your child the best start to their development and education and therefore believe that as parents and carers you play a vital role alongside us in this. We ask you during your settling in visits for information, to help us understand where your child is currently, in their development. We continually assess the children and use this information to inform our planning to help your child develop across all the areas of learning. The staff plan activities that cover a broad and

balanced curriculum within a range of opportunities.

Although we have a topic based curriculum we also include all the interests of the children that we work with. You will receive a report every term so that you are kept up to date with your child's development. We use "Tapestry", which is an online learning journey, that allows you as parents / carers to be able to log in and see what experiences

your child is having in the nursery, find out your child's next steps and for you to leave comments and describe experiences they have had outside

the nursery to ensure that we are always up to date with their achievements and interests.

An example of our engaging activities.





Our key person system

When your child begins Nursery they will be assigned a 'key person'. This person takes the time to get to know you and your child and helps to settle your child into nursery. They are your key person and take responsibility for ensuring that your child is happy, settled and is developing well. They will compile your child's reports and keep you updated with their next steps and their developmental milestones.

Promoting British values

At Wiggles Nursery we believe that the EYFS curriculum already provides a solid foundation to encourage the children's understanding and acceptance that we live in diverse communities with many different cultures and lifestyles. We are an inclusive setting and our ethos and curriculum enables children to be independent learners to make choices and to build strong relationships with their peers and adults. We know that children learn best when their personal, social and emotional needs are met and where there are clear and developmentally appropriate expectations for their behaviour.

Nutrition/meals

The nursery can provide breakfast, lunch, and afternoon tea for your child at a cost of £2.00 per day or parents have the option to supply their child with a packed lunch.

We will work alongside parents to ensure that we are meeting the child's individual requirements including the weaning process, specific dietary requirements and food intolerances and allergies.

Pre-School children are developing faster than at any other time in their lives, therefore their diets require the right kind of tasty nutritious foods to encourage healthy growth. This means they need good carbohydrates to give them energy, protein to build their bodies and essential vitamins and minerals for healthy bones and teeth. These fully nutritional lunch meals are prepared by our catering staff from the school canteen and our snacks are prepared by Nursery staff who hold the relevant Food Hygiene certificates.

At meal times staff sit with the children to encourage conversations. We are passionate about making these special times when we are all together eating, a social and happy time which in turns promote cross curricular outcomes as well as promoting good eating habits.

Milk is also available for the children during these special times as well as fresh drinking water throughout the day.

Sample of our daily menu:

Breakfast/morning snack

Pieces of apple, melon, cucumber and toast or crackers with a choice of milk or water

Lunch

Macaroni cheese, broccoli and carrots

Pudding – fruit crumble and custard

Afternoon tea

Tuna sandwich and a shortbread biscuit with a choice of milk or water

Sarah one of our fantastic school chef's



Our current prices - September 2017

We are open term time only Monday to Friday 8am - 5.30pm

Children under 2 – £34 per day plus £2.00 for lunch if required

Children over 2 – £32 per day plus £2.00 for lunch if required

If you do not require an all-day session our hourly rate is £4.20 per hour

Before school session – £3.50 (drop off to Wadebridge Primary)

After school session – £7 (picked up from Wadebridge Primary)

Or if you require before and after school sessions on the same day it is £10 per day

If you need to cancel your child's place at Wiggles we will require two weeks' notice. If you need to change or rearrange your child's day/hours, again we need 2 weeks' notice. This is to ensure that we have space and the correct child to staff ratios. Our rates are reviewed each September.

Early years funding

Wiggles Nursery is registered by Ofsted and therefore we accept Government Nursery Funding for children the term after their third birthday. There is funding available for some 2 year olds depending on your circumstances, please ask our Nursery Manager for details of how to apply if you think you may be eligible.

If children access funded places from another provider it is your responsibility to inform us.

Work place childcare voucher schemes.

Family tax credits

Many Parents will be entitled to family tax credits and the following information may be useful to you. Help line contact details: - Inland Revenue (for family tax credits) 0845 300 3900 www.inlandrevenue.org.uk

Childcare link 0800 096 0296 www.childcarelink.org.uk

Parent line Plus 0808 800 2222 www.parentlineplus.org.uk This help line provides free 24hr advice and support for families and includes a ring back counselling service.

Tax free childcare will soon be available, to help parents/carers with the cost of childcare, the scheme will be rolled out gradually, but all eligible parents will be able to join by the end of 2017. Parents will be able to open an account online, which they can use to pay for childcare from a registered provider. For every £8 a parent/carer pays in, the government will pay in £2, parents can receive up to £2,000 per child/year towards their childcare costs, or £4,000 for disabled children. To qualify, parents will have to be in work and earning at least £115 per week.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Admissions

After the initial enquiry Parents are invited to visit the nursery with their child before the start date, providing the opportunity for parents/carers and their child to speak with staff, familiarise themselves with the nursery routine and get to know the other children. Parents are welcome to stay with their child until they feel ready to leave them. We always suggest the child is introduced gradually into the nursery environment. The staff will work with each parent and child to ensure a positive entry to the nursery.

Inclusion / SENCO

Wiggles believes that no child, should be excluded from activities because of a special need or disability as defined by the Children Act 1989 and/or the Education Act 1996. Wiggles will support children with learning difficulties and disabilities and will work with outside agencies to meet your child's needs. We will aim to acquire the necessary information about the specific situation to further support you as parents/carers. Wiggles will access additional staff training where possible to increase their knowledge and skills to ensure that each child is offered equal opportunities within the Nursery.

Safeguarding

All our staff update their training each year and have full knowledge of all aspects relatined to Safeguarding. As part of the registration process we are duty bound to inform Social Care of any worries we may have regarding a child's welfare and safety.

Inclusion

Wiggles Nursery is committed to recognising and responding sensitively to the needs of any child or parent/carer regardless of age, gender, class, family status, ability, disability, race, colour, ethnic origin, culture, religion or belief. Wiggles Nursery will accept people's differences and treat each person as an individual.

Security

The security and safety of all the children in our care is our main priority. Therefore, we ask that you comply with our policies to guarantee this. When registering your child at Wiggles you will be given a registration form and you must return this as soon as possible with the necessary information and the name of any persons you authorise to collect your child from nursery.

If we do not have this form on file, your child WILL NOT be allowed to leave nursery with ANYONE other than the main carer. Both entrances into the nursery are security coded and only staff members are aware of the code. The main door is also bolted at the top at all times.

Sickness

If your child is unwell through vomiting or Diarrhoea our policy states that the child must not return to nursery until they have been clear of any symptoms for 48 hours. Unfortunately, due to the short notice and staff already being in place to accommodate your child there will be no refund of the fees.

Zero Tolerance Policy

We will not tolerate aggressive or abusive behaviour towards our staff. Any parent/careror member of the public found to be in breach of this will be asked to leave the premises.

Finally when your child starts with us we would encourage you to read our Nursery polices in order to become familiar with our procedures in more detail. All of our policies are available in our entrance porch.

