

DORE PRE SCHOOL

Information for New Parents



About Us

- ◆ A 26 place Pre-School for 3-4 year olds.
- ◆ Staffed by highly experienced qualified teachers and teaching assistants.
- ◆ A safe, nurturing and playful environment, where children are given time and space to explore the world around them and take measured risks.
- ◆ A values led curriculum driven namely by: kindness, creativity, resilience and resourcefulness.
- ◆ A 'Forest Schools' approach to learning.
- ◆ Children become well-rounded, independent, articulate learners with a positive sense of themselves, ready for a positive start to school life and future learning.

Opening Times and Session Costs:

Open during school term time only (closed on inset days and bank holidays)

Full day: 8:30-15:15 £48

Half day (Wednesdays only): 8:30-11:30 or 12:15-15:15 £24

Lunch: 11:30-12:15 £5 plus £1.75 for a meal

Breakfast club: 7:30-8:30 £8 per session

After school care: 15:15-17:30 £10 per session

Invoices are payable by bank transfer and will be issued half-terminly.

Session Options

15 Hours Free Child Care

- ◆ 2 full days (any 2 days during the week) plus a half day (on Wednesday, either am or pm)
- ◆ Option to buy additional sessions e.g. make Wednesday a full day, buy additional days and breakfast or after school care

30 Hours

- ◆ Full time: 8:30-3:15 everyday
- ◆ Option to buy additional sessions, e.g. breakfast or after school care

Please note we have limited spaces for EFE 30 free hours childcare

A Forest School Approach

Children will enjoy experiences that build independence, creativity and resilience:

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| ◆ Den building | Cooking on a fire |
| ◆ Whittling & peeling sticks | Hand drilling |
| ◆ Using a saw | Using string and rope in play |
| ◆ Hammering nails | Recognising seasons |
| ◆ Slack lines & ladders | Rope swings |



Meals

Hot meals are provided during the lunch session at a cost of £1.75. A menu will be provided for you. Meals will be charged separately to your invoice and so can be ordered on an ad hoc basis. We cater for children with allergens and medical dietary requirements.

Clothing

As the majority of the day is spent outside, children need to come prepared for any weather. Your child will need:

- ◆ Warm, waterproof clothing (ideally an all-in-one)
- ◆ Thick socks and waterproof boots
- ◆ Spare layers: vests, sweaters, leggings etc.
- ◆ Hats, gloves, scarfs
- ◆ Indoor shoes (ideally slip on/Velcro)



Children can leave these belongings in a bag at pre-school so that they can be accessed easily.

Snacks

All children will have a mid-morning snack, an afternoon snack (sometimes cooked on the camp fire) and an evening snack if staying for after-school care. Snacks will range from:

- Toast
- Crumpets
- Cereal
- Fruit and Veg
- Milk
- Biscuits
- Toasted marshmallows

