



**ONLINE BROCHURE**

**BORROWWASH**

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## **WELCOME**

Thank you for considering the White House Nursery to care for your child.

With us you will find a warm welcome where we endeavour to meet the individual requirements of all our families needs. We value excellent communication between all our staff and parents which ensures a smooth introduction to nursery life for all of our children.

It is important that you feel comfortable and confident leaving your child in our care, so please do feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns you may have at any time.

Above all else, your child's happiness is the most important consideration. We will do everything within our power to ensure their time with us is memorable, educational and great fun!

## **ABOUT US**

Back in 1987, the White House Nursery became an established day-care setting on the Early Years Register, and both the compulsory and voluntary parts of the Childcare Register. It has been operating for over 30 years from a large three-story detached house in the heart of Borrowash, which has been totally renovated and extended to meet the needs of all children aged 0-5 years around the Derbyshire area.

The nursery now provides funded early education for three and four-year-olds, so please contact us for more information on this. Over the years, the nursery has become so popular, many developments have been made to accommodate the number of families registering their children to the nursery.

Now the nursery holds a maximum of 110 children at any one time and still maintains the high standards it always has, which is strongly reflected in our Ofsted report. With a strong group of experienced staff, we have excellent support systems in place to develop children with special educational needs and/or disabilities, as well as children who speak English as an additional language.



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**Management Team**

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**Opening Times**

7.30am - 6.00pm Monday to Friday  
We are closed on bank holidays and for a week over  
Christmas and New Year.

Ofsted Registration Number: EY431769



## OUR BABY ROOM (0 - 18 MONTHS)

The baby room is situated on the ground floor, on the right as you enter the building, and is the perfect setting for staff to become acquainted with each child individually from a young age. In June 2019 this unit underwent a remodel and now features a much more open plan layout with lots of natural light.

The hard floor area to the right of the unit provides space for water play, messy play and mealtimes. With it's own kitchenette, bottles and snacks can be prepared from within the unit, and the patio doors lead out onto a secure, sheltered garden so little ones can enjoy outdoor play safely in all weathers.

The carpeted area to the left provides a place for children to freely explore a variety of stimulating activities and sensory resources - whilst also allowing them to begin moving around, crawling and walking at their own pace.







## **OUR TODDLER ROOM (18 MONTHS - 2 YEARS)**

The toddler room is situated on the ground floor to the left of the main entrance. Their unit has two separate areas - one carpeted playroom and another hard floor area for creative activities, messy play and meal times.

There are patio doors towards the back of the building which lead out to the toddler garden which provides an open space for children to explore and take in the world around them.

Toddlers share a changing room/wash room with infants, and this can be accessed directly from the creative area of the toddler unit. The children's wash room encourages children to start developing personal care skills and to aid potty training.





## OUR INFANTS ROOM (2 - 3 YEARS)

Our infant group have three rooms to their unit, all equipped with a wide choice of activities. There is a large open plan playroom, a hard floor room for creative activities and dining, as well as a carpeted room for story time and more quiet activities, complete with feature windows to peer out of!

Infants share a changing room/wash room with toddlers, and this can be accessed directly from the creative area of the infants unit. The children's wash room encourages children to start developing personal care skills and to aid potty training.

Children are treated as individuals and by working in small groups with organised routines, we hope to provide the opportunity for children to develop at their own rate.







## **OUR PRESCHOOL ROOM (3 YEARS)**

Moving upstairs the pre-school children have a very stimulating environment which is designed to cater for their age group. With appropriate resources and facilities to help all areas of learning and development for each child.

Children have the opportunity to explore art and craft activities, role play, reading, construction and more at their own pace throughout the day.

The preschool children also have use of the big garden multiple times a day. Here they can participate in group games, explore the mud kitchen, the allotment or the trim trail.

The Preschool and Foundation children enjoy mealtimes in the upstairs dining room. Here they are taught basic table manners and how to use a knife and fork correctly. This is also a great chance for children to socialize together.







## **FOUNDATION 1 (3-5 YEARS)**

As children move through to the Foundation group, their learning focuses more around preparing for life after nursery and starting big school! This unit features a carpeted play area for role play and small world activities, a hard floor area for creative activities as well as a cosy room for reading and quiet time.

The Foundation group also have access to a fantastic roof deck, another great feature of the nursery. This is where children can enjoy sand and water play, as well as any other inside activities - outside!

The unit also includes a wash room for children to use independently.

The Foundation and Preschool children enjoy mealtimes in the upstairs dining room. Here they are taught basic table manners and how to use a knife and fork correctly. This is also a great chance for children to socialize together.







## OUR OUTDOOR SPACE

The specially landscaped and fully enclosed garden provides an excellent outdoor play area for all age groups, and is designed to meet their needs at each developmental stage.

We have an outdoor class room which provides shade from the sun and shelter from winter weather. The nursery allotment provides somewhere where the children can plant and nurture their own fruit, veg and flowers while learning how they grow. We also have a barked nature wildlife area with a trim trail, so the children can develop spacial awareness and build their confidence with some supervised risk taking.

We have a fantastic construction area complete with JCB digger and sand pit, where the children develop gross motor skills and problem solving skills. We also have access to the large football field which is shared with Kids Club, where the children can participate in group games.

We have also had some exciting new developments on the central part of the big garden. We now have a fantastic new tree house complete with a slide, swing and climbing wall for children to explore.







## FOOD, NUTRITION & HYGIENE

Each of our nurseries employs its own in house chef who is responsible for preparing and cooking meals for all children.

When considering nursery meals, we take inspiration from the Children's Food Trust - Eat Better, Start Better initiative, and also from the feedback we get from parents.

We offer a varied meal plan using fresh fruit and vegetables, as well as a good quality meat or protein source. We aim to incorporate a range of food textures, colours and smells for your children to try at mealtimes, and all meals are freshly prepared on site daily.

Meal selections will change from week to week to ensure that children attending part time will still receive a variety of different meals.

If your child has any specific dietary requirements, we are happy to discuss this with you.

Mealtimes are a great opportunity for the children to socialise and develop good eating habits, learning basic table manners and the correct use of cutlery - all in a relaxed but organised manner.





## **SAFEGUARDING**

All of our nurseries are fitted with a number of internal and external recorded CCTV cameras, as well as fingerprint recognition entry on all main doors. We insist that parents do not hold the door open to allow others access to the building, as this bypasses the fingerprint system. Please do not be offended if someone does not hold the door open for you. Use of mobile phones or devices is strictly prohibited whilst on nursery site.

## **SETTLING IN SESSIONS**

Settling in sessions will be arranged once your completed registration forms have been handed back in to us. However if it's concerning a nursery place some time into the future, we will give you a call a few weeks before your child's start date to make arrangements. Settling in sessions should ideally be done as close to your child's start date as possible.

The sessions are organized as follows:

- \* A one hour session, staying onsite to complete the "all about me" paperwork. You will get to know the environment and staff working with your child, and be introduced to your child's keyworker. This is an opportunity for you to ask any questions, and for your keyworker to gain information about you and your child.
- \* A two hour session between 9.30-11.30am or 1.00 - 3.00pm or 1.30 - 3.30pm avoiding mealtimes, and we are happy for you to leave your child on this occasion if you wish.
- \* A three hour session over a lunch or tea time, allowing your child to experience a mealtime with us.

You will need to bring anything your child may need while at nursery. Children will need nappies, wipes and a change of clothes - for babies milk will need to be supplied also. The settling in sessions are designed for you to ask questions regarding any aspect of nursery life, discuss any anxieties or worries you may have, and to build relationships with the staff caring for your child.

## **SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS COORDINATOR (SENCO)**

Over the years we have cared for many children with a wide variety of special needs and/ or disability, and each has been supported by our SEN qualified practitioners throughout their nursery journey. If you child has any complex needs or requirements from their nursery, we are happy to discuss these with you as a family and cater for these wherever possible.





## FAQs

### What do we need to bring with us for our child?

- Sterilised bottles of formula/breast milk (when required)
- Nappies/pullups, wipes and nappy cream (where required)
- A change of clothes including underwear
- During the winter months, a warm coat and a pair of wellies for outdoor play
- During the summer months, a sun hat

Please ensure that all clothing items are clearly labelled with your child's name, to ensure belongings don't go home with the wrong family. We also strongly advise against sending your child to nursery in their best clothes, as children do have access to messy activities such as painting, sand and water play as well as the mud kitchen - although every effort is made to keep them in a presentable state.

### Where can I read your nursery policies?

Our policies are available upon request from nursery reception and you are welcome to read these at your leisure.

### What is the 15 hours Government Funded Childcare?

All 3 & 4 year olds in England are entitled to 570 hours of Government Funded Childcare. Children become eligible for the funding as of the start of the term after their 3rd birthday. Please speak to the nursery manager to ensure best use of your hours.

### What is the 30 hours Government Funded Childcare?

You may be eligible to up to 30 hours funded childcare - 1,140 hours per year - September to August. This is for 3 and 4 year olds. If you are eligible for these additional hours, you will need to sign up online at [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk) and search "30 hours childcare". You will obtain an 11 digit code which you must renew every 3 months. More information will be sent to you, by us, when your child is approaching their 3rd birthday.

### Why choose the White House Nursery?

Each of our nurseries benefits from a private onsite carpark, so dropping off and collecting your children is safe and easy. All children in our care also have opportunities for outdoor play throughout the day and in all weathers. This can be from our fully landscaped gardens or from our roof top gardens. With us, your child's nursery experience will extend beyond the setting its self and into the surrounding community. Planned trips are enjoyed by children of all ages and include visits to the local library, local park and care homes - as well as further afield to adventure parks and play centres.

Above all else your child's safety, health and happiness are our number one priority and we will do everything we can to ensure their time with us is the best it can be!