

# Nursery Days

## Enhanced Provisions

At Nursery Days we go 'above and beyond' for the children who attend our setting and offer a wide range of enhanced provisions for the children to enjoy.

These include:

### Forest School

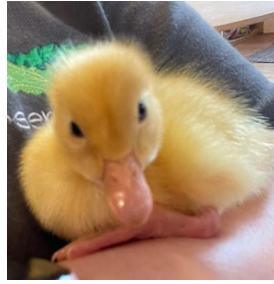
Nursery Days has a well-established Forest School, run by Ellie, our qualified level 3 Forest School leader, and assisted by NVQ early years practitioners. Set in our stunning 4-acre orchard, a short walk from the nursery, the children can explore the great outdoors and have a range of exciting experiences. In the orchard we have a purpose-built log cabin, a heuristic yurt and two brand-new handmade shepherds' huts. All indoor spaces are lovely and cozy, with log stoves and soft furnishings.



### Hatching Eggs - Chicks & Ducks

In the spring we have an incubator arrive at the nursery with chick or duckling eggs inside. The children can observe the eggs as they move, crack, and watch as the baby animal appears. We nurture them and watch them grow for a few weeks before they move to their new homes or join us in our orchard.

We have kept chickens from past hatchings and now have three wonderful hens that the children care for, collecting and using their eggs in their own cooking activities. Our ducks live on our pond and enjoy flying off on adventures before returning home.



## Graduation

Before the end of term, we throw a party and graduation ceremony for our school leavers. Parents and carers are invited to watch the proud moments and celebrate their child's time at Nursery Days and the new adventure they are about to embark on.



## Cooking Classes

The children take part in the most amazing cooking club each week. They experience a range of cooking styles and learn new techniques to make cuisines from around the world.



## [Our Allotment](#)

We have a separate growing space where children grow their own herbs, fruits and vegetables for daily use. The children are given opportunities to plant, nurture and harvest the fruit and vegetables. They wash, prepare and use the produce in the cooking club and feed them to our many animals, or bring home for you all to enjoy.



## [Farm School](#)

Each of our rooms have their own pets. The baby room care for guinea pigs, toddlers care for our tortoise and pre-school have fish. The hens and ducks are enjoyed by all at the orchard. The children care for their pets and enjoy time having cuddles and handling them. They grow lots of vegetables and plants for their animals and take pleasure in washing and preparing them for feeding time. We have welcomed Jasper and Blossom and are looking forward to caring for them and learning all about the donkeys during our Donkey Drove club.

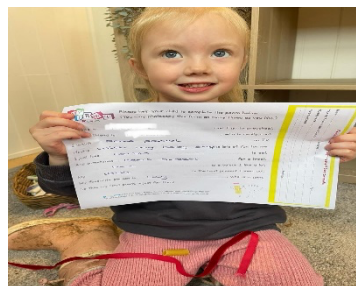


### Pond Dipping

Our pond is well established now, and we just love exploring the changes that take place through the different seasons. The children take part in sessions where they monitor growth and changes. They spend time predicting their finds and taking samples from the pond, comparing their expectations to their findings. This gives children a greater knowledge of local pond organisms, their habitats, life cycles, diets and behaviours. This is great fieldwork and so much fun.

### Poetry Club

The children enjoy learning poetry and having a go at writing their own too. Each year we send off some of their wonderful pieces of poetry to the young writer's club, who may select it to be included in their annual poetry book.



### Beach School

As part of our extensive provisions, we now offer Beach School sessions. These sessions take place at our wonderful local beaches, where the children learn about ecosystems and beach structures as well as wildlife conservation. The children take part in beautiful beach crafts and building activities. They have wonderfully interactive stories based around the sea and shores and love finding rock pools to dip their feet in and explore.

We are pleased to be supporting Emily in achieving her Beach School leader qualification.



## Celebrations

We love to join in celebrations that are important to our families. At Nursery Days we go all out and celebrate with bells and whistles. Some of our special celebrations include, seasonal fayres, Pancake Day and Easter celebrations, Holi, Diwali, Special Saints of Great Britain Days, World Book Week and many, many more.



## Our Minibus

Outing opportunities are now endless with the addition of our minibus. The minibus is roomy with air conditioning and fitted with Halfords recommended child seats keeping everyone comfortable and safe.

We enjoy trips to local areas of interest including local farms, nature reserves, the beach, pumpkin picking and lots more. We join in fun activities in the village and surrounding towns.



### [Carpentry Club](#)

Real tools and equipment are used in carpentry club. The children learn lots from working with real and authentic materials. They grow in confidence and self-belief, develop a respect for materials and safety, as well as practice great teamwork and sharing. There are also endless learning opportunities in mathematics. These sessions are available to children at nursery and at forest school.



### [Teacher](#)

Nursery Days employs a qualified and experienced teacher. Izzy is passionate about education in the early years and runs an extensive school readiness program. Izzy is highly skilled in making science, mathematics, and phonics exciting, fun, and engaging. She also looks at how we can ensure children are ready for the next stage of their educational journey as a whole and helps them develop all the skills they will need so that children leave Nursery Days fully prepared, ready, and excited for that next stage.

### [Hot Drinks and Ice Cream Van](#)

We love offering our parents a nice hot drink and snack to start their day off in the right way. We have added our own mini-Café for our parents/carers that will be open to enjoy by all in March and is located near the second entrance gates.



### [Cycle Tots](#)

Nursery Days are now working with Cycle Tots to bring children cycling lessons. Our pre-school children will have the opportunity to enroll in the program and gain confidence, balance, core strength and a lifelong skill in the most fun way.

## Visitors to the Nursery

We like to invite a variety of special visitors into the nursery to broaden the children's knowledge and understanding of the world. We have enjoyed visits from, Zoo Lab, the Fire Brigade (and their fire engine too!), police officers, ballet teachers and many more!



## And lots more including:

- Yoga
- Sports Tots
- Science sessions
- Music and language lessons
- Trips around our beautiful village
- Access to three enclosed outdoor areas that supports the areas of development.
- Nappies, wipes as well as encouragement charts for potty training children.
- We provide formula for our youngest children and have specific breast milk storage/welcome parents to breast feed on site.
- Providing factor 50 sun cream for the children in the warm sunny weather.
- Parents transition evening so parents can discuss their child's development.

