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Welcome to Breachwood Green Pre-school. Proudly established since 1978, our setting is committee managed, formed by parents, family members of children at the setting and members of the community. We work together to continuously provide the children with exciting opportunities for them to **learn**, **develop and strive** throughout their individual learning journey.

The committee regularly holds fundraising events for the Pre-school to support the setting with new supplies, toys and event to enrich our children's time at Breachwood Green Pre-school.



# **OUR VISION**

We are here to support and facilitate your child's individual learning journey. We understand that every child is different and we are here to ensure that they make good progress throughout their time here.

Our environment is stimulating and has our daily activities create **a sense of wonder for the children to explore.** By using our experience together as learning opportunities, we can continue to learn and grow together.

We are an inclusive environment and enjoy celebrating the diverse culture we live in and the world around us. We welcome parent involvement in our pre-school and work in partnership together.

All our children are happy, confident excited to learn and are independent learners who are inquisitive of the world around them.

# OUR CURRICULUM

Our curriculum is to show an understanding that children progress at different rates. We support all children in developing their potential at their own pace. Our activities are adapted to challenge children and also to be accessible to all ages appropriately.

The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) framework is fundamental in all our teaching to ensure our children succeed and progress with confidence. We use 'in the moment' planning to enhance the children's learning.

# **IMPLEMENTATION**

#### How do we do what do we do

Our implementation is what we do and how we teach our curriculum, this what we do everyday to ensure all children have equal help, support and guidance to make progress in their learning through challenges and play.

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# **OUR INTENT**

#### What we want the children to learn

Here our intent is our curriculum, we use our curriculum as our plan of what we are going to teach. We encourage the children to be independent thinkers. Alongside the child, practitioners encourage, help and support the child to achieve the best possible outcomes.

### THE IMPACT

#### What are the benefits of what we are doing

We have happy, confident, well rounded learners that are ready for the transition to school.

# **OUR SESSIONS**

We operate from 9am to 3pm Monday to Friday during term time. We accept Early Education Funding for 2, 3 and 4 year olds. We take children from the age of 2 to 4 years. We are registered to take care of 19 children per session.



#### Flexible sessions to suit you

You can choose any sessions you require. We encourage at least two sessions per week to help provide continuity for your child especially during the settling period.

## SESSIONS AVAILABLE

All day Morning session Morning session w/lunch Morning session til 2pm Afternoon session w/lunch

9am to 3pm 9am to 12pm 9am to 1pm 9am to 2pm 12pm to 3pm

# VISITING

Once you have decided your sessions we will arrange settling sessions for your child. You are welcome to come in and stay for these sessions to help settle your child into their new environment before their official start date. Settling sessions are free and we encourage you to use them to help ease the transition for your child into pre-school.



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# OUR TEAM

We have a dedicated team consisting of our pre-school Leader, Deputy preschool Leader and two Level 3 Practitioners and an administrator. We are building a relationship with Hertfordshire College as we endeavour to help support new practitioners on their journey in a career in children's education.

Our committee is formed by a Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary along with a team of fundraisers who hold regular meetings and work in the background for our pre-school.

# KEY WORKER

When your child starts pre-school they will be assigned a key worker. Each key worker is here to help aid the transition into the setting, make regular observations, complete progress reports, two year checks and help you as parents learn more about our setting and what we have been busy doing throughout the day.





# DAILY ROUTINE



#### 9am - Welcome children

Register

Circle time/story time/music & movement

#### 9.20 am - Free play

Activities are set up and children are encouraged to move around and try all activities. For example – art, construction, small world, book corner, messy play, finger gym, maths area, garden area

#### 10.15-10.30 am - Rolling snack

The children are encouraged to serve themselves their own drinks and snack.

#### 10.30-12 noon - Free play

Activities are changed over for the children to try

#### 12-12.15 pm - Story time/circle time

Wash hands

#### 12.15-1 pm - Lunch

Parents provide a packed lunch for their children. Please note we are a NUT FREE setting.

#### 1-2.45 pm Free play

Activities are adapted for the afternoon session.

#### 2.45-3 pm

Circle time Light snack

#### 3 pm Parents collect

# UNIFORM

We have jumpers and tee shirts available on request. We encourage the children to wear uniform as it helps keep your clothes clean an also provides the children with a sense of belonging at the pre-school.



# FUNDING

All children receive Government Funding for 15 hours free childcare per week and 30 hours depending on circumstances from the term after their third birthday. This can be split between other settings if your child attends another setting which is registered to the Government Free Childcare scheme. If your child does attend another setting please inform our administrator. Some families are able to claim 2 year old funding depending on the receipt of certain benefits. For more information please contact our administrator on bwgpreschool@hotmail.co.uk

# PAYMENTS

You will be given an invoice prior to each half term, with payment due on the first day of half term and all sessions are expected to be paid in full in advance. The preferred method of payment is direct into the pre-school bank account via bank transfer or from a voucher scheme. Please see our bank details below:

Breachwood Green Pre-school Sort code - 40 52 40 Account number: 00012287

# EXTRA SESSIONS

Extra sessions are available on request. Please speak to a member of our team to book in. You will be invoiced separately for extra sessions by our administrator.

# LATE COLLECTION

Please note that if you are later than 10 minutes to collect your child you will be charged a late fee of £7.00.

# FEE REVIEW

Please note our fees are reviewed annually. Parents will be advised in advance if any increases are taking place.

# **POLICES & PROCEDURES**

We have a detailed Policy and Procedure folder that is updated annually and is available for you to read.

# **MEDICATION**

If your child has been prescribed any medication we will create a care plan for you to complete for your child. During your child's time at pre-school there may be occasions of illness. Please refer to our exclusion table. If your child becomes unwell at pre-school you will be notified immediately and will be asked to collect your child as soon as possible.





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# **SAFEGUARDING & CHILD PROTECTION**

The children's safety is paramount in everything we do. We have a detailed Safeguarding policy, Prevent Duty policy, Mobile phone & Camera policy and British Values Policy all available for you to view on request.

We have a designated safeguarding lead and deputy who will make relevant referrals if needed.

# KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

# EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES



We are an inclusive setting and we welcome everyone to our setting. We are proud that we all may be different from various cultural, religious or ethnic backgrounds. In pre-school we are family and enjoy celebrating various cultural celebrations from Christmas, Diwali, Eid, Easter, Hanukkah to Yom Kippur.





# SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS

We are an inclusive setting and are here to help support your child on their individual learning journey. We provide an environment that is stimulating and caring towards your child's needs. Practitioners are on hand to help guide you as parents. We are have a good relationship with local schools and health care professionals . Working in partnership with outside agencies helps us as practitioners to provide the best possible service for your child's individual needs.

# OUTINGS

From time to time we will go out of the pre-school to go on nature walks, visit the local school, local farm and go to the recreational ground. You will be notified prior to any outing and will be asked permission for your child to go.



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# FUNDRAISING

Our pre-school is a charity and is financed solely by payment from parents and by those receiving free funding from the government. Parents support is greatly appreciated and much needed in all our fundraising efforts. From buying tickets and attending events, giving donations for raffles prizes to volunteering at our events.

All proceeds raised at our events are reinvested into the pre-school for new equipment, supplies or events for the children to enjoy. If you are interested in joining the fundraising team or have some ideas please contact our chair person at breachwoodgreenpreschool@gmail.com.

# LENDING LIBRARY



At Breachwood Green Pre-school we have a lending library. Your child will be given a book bag and will choose a book each week to take home to share with you as a family.

We believe that we must do our up most to encourage the children to enjoy books. Regular reading will help flourish your child's thirst for books, information and early literature.

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# SNIPPETS FROM OUR OFSTED REPORT...



"Children settle quickly in this warm and inviting pre-school. They develop close bonds with staff, enabling them to feel safe and secure. Staff know the children well and offer a wide range of activities and learning that stem from the children's interests"

"Children thoroughly enjoy learning in the well-equipped outdoor area. They demonstrate enthusiasm and concentrate well on activities"

"Children with special educational needs and/or disabilities are well supported. Staff work closely with parents and other professionals to ensure children receive the support they need. Activities are sharply focused to ensure children progress well and move to the next stage of education to the best of their ability."

> "Children clearly articulate their needs as they indicate which toys they would like to play with. This enables children to feel empowered in their environment and helps to develop their self-esteem."

"Staff strongly promote children's love of books. Children eagerly share books and stories with staff in the cosy reading area. They choose their favourite story and recall the familiar characters' names as they read the story together. Families can borrow books from the lending library to enjoy and extend their learning experience at home."

# PARENT TESTIMONIALS

""My son loves going to Breachwood Green Pre-school. He enjoys the activities such as cooking, building and the outside space they utilise. He has come on leaps and bounds with his vocabulary, letters and numbers. He even asks to go at the weekend. The staff are excellent."

"Going to school is one of Ariella's favourite things to do. She loves her teachers and her friends so very much. Ariella loves to learn, create, play and has processed greatly in confidence and independence. Ariella always sings the songs at home that she has learnt at school, she even pretends to be a teacher and makes mummy and daddy sit down on the carpet at home for circle time. Thank you Breachwood Green Pre-School."

"My child absolutely thrives since attending Breachwood Green Pre-school. Starting as a very shy boy he has gained a lot of confidence by attending pre-school thanks to the wonderful (and very patient) team. His vocabulary and social skills has come on leaps and bounds and he has made lots of lovely friends."

# **PRICING/FEES**

All day – 9am to 3pm Morning session – 9am to 12pm Morning session w/lunch – 9am to 1pm Morning til 2pm – 9am to 2pm Afternoon session w/lunch – 12pm to 3pm



Extra sessions are charged at an hourly rate of £6.00 and are available on request. Please speak to a member of staff to book.

#### **Sibling Discount**

We offer a 3% sibling discount for a second sibling when both children are attending the setting for 3 full day sessions per week. For more information please get in contact.

# THANK YOU

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for choosing Breachwood Green Pre-school. We welcome you to our vibrant community of fun, laughter among lots of messy play and we are excited to share new adventures and experiences with you.



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