



FLATTS

NURSERY SCHOOL

Developing



Curiosity



Independence



Community

Prospectus 2021-2022



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Flatts Nursery School is a unique and special place. We are the only maintained nursery school in Kirklees and we have amazing facilities and resources to offer our community. As a maintained nursery school we have qualified teachers on site leading the curriculum, in addition to a very experienced team of Senior Early Years Practitioners and Early Years Practitioners. We have a strong key person approach and are committed to working with our families to promote the best outcomes for every child.

I joined as Headteacher in September 2019 and immediately felt at home and welcomed by all. We hope you enjoy looking through this prospectus and our website and choose to join our family.

Andi Gilroy-Sinclair
Headteacher

Our Vision

Curiosity

Independence

Community

We are committed to providing an environment to encourage and develop...

CURIOUS learners - a curious nature will love learning for life

INDEPENDENCE skills - essential life skills to be self sufficient in life

COMMUNITY minded individuals - embracing spirit, character, diversity and support

TERM DATES 2022—2023

School opens	School Closes
Tuesday 6th September	Thursday 20th October
Monday 31st October	Friday 16th December
Wednesday 4th January	Friday 10th February
Monday 20th February	Friday 31st March
Monday 17th April	Friday 26th May
Monday 5th June	Friday 21st July



BANK HOLIDAYS

Christmas Bank Holiday	Tuesday 27th December
Boxing Day	Monday 26th December
New Years Day	Monday 2nd January
Good Friday	Friday 7th April
Easter Monday	Monday 10th April
May Day	Monday 1st June
Spring Bank	Monday 29th May
Summer Bank Holiday	Monday 28th August

STAFF TRAINING DAYS

School will be closed on these days
Monday 5th September
Friday 21st October
Tuesday 3rd January
Monday 24th July
Tuesday 25th July



Our Team

Andi Gilroy-Sinclair (Headteacher and SENDCo)

Lindsey Robinson (Assistant Headteacher)

Anna Firth (Teacher Wed—Fri)

Aziza Rasul (Senior Early Years Practitioner)

Joanne Smithson (Senior Early Year Practitioner)

Haley Spink-Adams (Early Years Practitioner)

Ishrat Aslam (Early Years Practitioner)

Kate Rawden (Early Years Practitioner)

Nazia Bhamji (Support Assistant for enhanced ratio)

Claire Hanson (Bursar)

Jeremy Brooksbank (Caretaker)

Governing Body

John Disken

Chair of Governors

Mike Keddie

Mike Neville

Liz Goldthorpe

Saf Bhuta

Mandy Crompton

Nafisa Miraf

Curriculum and Learning

Our curriculum is developed to develop **INDEPENDENCE, CURIOSITY AND COMMUNITY**. We aim for all our children to be able to manage themselves and their learning, to be interested in learning and to be able to get along well with others. We have developed the following curriculum goals to ensure we offer a broad and balanced curriculum in a fun way giving children practical skills for their future. **To find out more about our curriculum see our Curriculum Leaflet on the website.**

OVERARCHING GOAL

- To **SETTLE** in and become a confident learner

6 Curriculum Goals—to be revisited throughout the year

- ◆ To **FOLLOW** instructions to make a flat bread
- ◆ To **SEW** using a running stitch
- ◆ To **CREATE** a story to be shared with others
- ◆ To **PLAY** an organized game with others until someone wins
- ◆ To **WRITE** for a purpose, using letters from their name
- ◆ To **MAKE** a composition from their own design



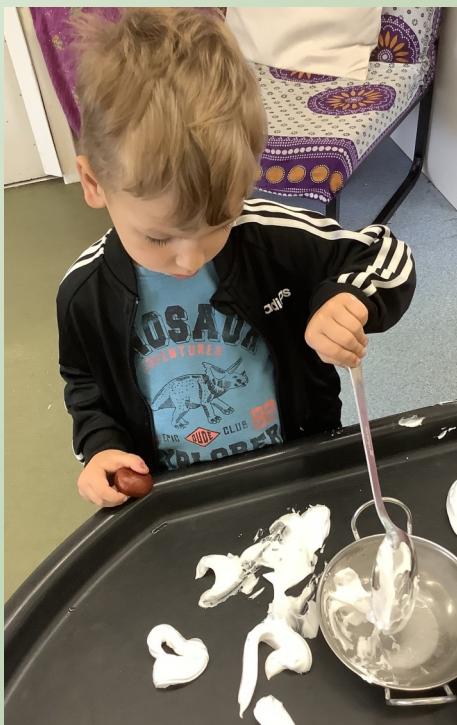
Assessment

While your child is playing in the nursery and taking part in snack and group activities their key person will be interacting with them. They will also be making observations about what your child can do and what skills we need to work on next with them.

Every half term your child's key person will publish a few observations for you to see. These are accessed via a password and only you can see your child's observations. We use the Learning Journal's system for this and it allows you to make comments and upload your own photographs from home.

PLEASE NOTE—we only publish a few each half term as we want our adults to focus on quality interactions rather than recording the moment.

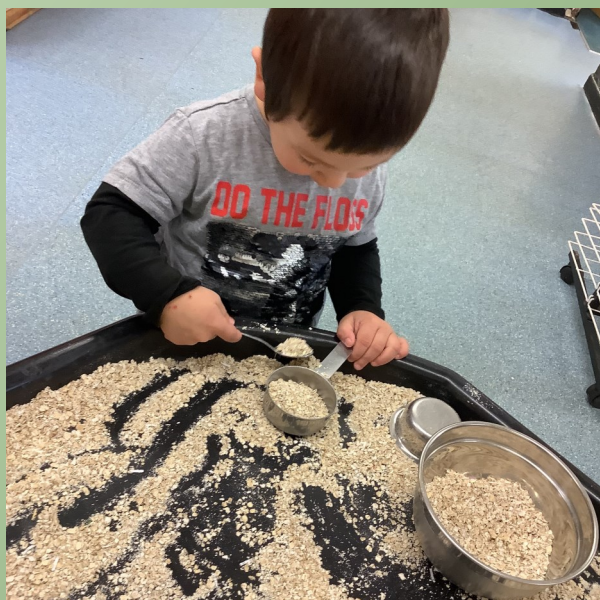




Our facilities

Flatts Nursery School is a purpose built nursery, which opened in December 1951. It has two large bases which offer lots of natural light. Within these bases we set up areas which cover all the aspects of learning and are designed for children to be able to **independently** access the materials and resources they need. We enhance each area with natural materials and real objects to spark children's **curiosity** and build this into a love of learning. In addition to our large bases, we have some group rooms which allow our children the opportunity to be part of their smaller key group, this time helps to develop their sense of **community**.

We have an extensive and varied outdoor area including hills, woodland and tracks for learning to ride wheeled vehicles. We also have an allotment where we grow our own vegetables and a reading shed where we love to share stories.



Our sensory room is a magical and calm place for children to explore. We have bubble tubes, projectors, fibre optic lights, an infinity mirror and a ball pit.



TRANSITION

Once you have visited nursery and have completed a registration form your child will be allocated a key person. Your child’s key person will contact you to introduce themselves and to talk you through the transition period. This transition is tailored around the needs of your child. This is a valuable time where your family joins ours and we can share our thoughts together focused on your child and their needs.



Admission Procedures

To apply for a place at the Nursery School please visit in person so that you can be shown around the provision on offer. If you then wish to register your child you will need to produce his/her birth certificate and fill in a registration form. You will then be contacted the term before your child is due to start and invited to make some visits with your child to help in the settling in process.

Eligibility

2 year olds – Your child may be eligible for 15 hours free learning and childcare. This is available for families and children in receipt of certain benefits. Check the website below to see if you are eligible . Your child can start with us from their second birthday

3 & 4 year olds - All 3 and 4 year olds are entitled to 15 hours of free early education. Your child may be eligible to receive 30 free hours if you are a working parent . Check this website to see if you are eligible. Your child can join us, the term after their third birthday—see the table below.

If the child’s 3 rd birthday falls between:	Entitled to a free place from:
1 January and 31 March	1 April (or the start of the Summer term)
1 April and 31 August	1 September (or the start of the Autumn term)
1 September and 31 December	1 January (or the start of the Spring term)

www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

If you would like support with this please contact our nursery.

Your child will be entitled to stay at nursery until they move into school. All children who turn 4 before the 31st August will be admitted to their reception class in their allocated school in September.