



# Petite Ambassadors Day Nursery

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### ABOUT US

Petite Ambassadors Day Nursery is a childcare setting that cares for children from 3 months - 5 years old. Children learn through play, following the Early Year's Foundation Stage (EYFS) curriculum providing a structure for learning and care, incorporating Montessori activities. This encourages the development of self-confidence, independence, decision-making and fostering love of learning.

Catering for working parents, we provide childcare from 7:30am to 6:00pm all year round, excluding Christmas, Easter and Bank Holidays. The centre is subject to the scrutiny of Office for Standards in Education (Ofsted). Our vision of care at Petite Ambassadors Day Nursery is based on an EYFS child-centered framework with our primary goal being to ensure the highest quality of accessible and affordable childcare.

The setting aims to provide a safe, secure and stimulating environment where the well-being of children will be paramount. Our children will be supported and challenged to learn and develop to their full potential. All children will be treated equally and will be encouraged to take part in every aspect of the centre's activities.

We will also offer Montessori activities because the principle encourages the development of self-confidence and independence and the ability to make choices and decisions, the thirst for learning and acquiring knowledge. The setting employs qualified staff with a minimum Level 3 qualification or equivalent with practitioners skills relevant to the under-five's or are working towards a Level 3 qualification in child care.

All staff, including part time staff and volunteers, are DBS checked to work with children under eight through the Criminal Records Bureau and Social Services before they are allowed to work unsupervised with the children. Staffing ratios are in line with OFSTED requirements both in terms of numbers of staff and the qualifications of staff.

All staff have a First Aid, Food Hygiene qualification and Safeguarding training. All staff will also be expected to undertake regular training courses to develop new skills and keep up with the changes in the field of early years care.

### Curriculum

#### (3 Months – 12 Months)

At Petite Ambassadors Day Nursery, we provide warmth, fun and security for children under 1 year.

The babies and toddlers' room is set up to allow staff to provide the appropriate activities for your child's age group and developmental stage.

It is important for children of this age to receive continuity of care between nursery and home therefore the nursery staff will ensure your child's routine is maintained and developed.

The staff encourage the babies to freely explore and enjoy their play activities in a safe, relaxed environment allowing them to develop their confidence, independence and learning.

We have a variety of resources, activities and experiences on offer for children under 12 months in line with the EYFS Curriculum:

Music, songs, rhymes, to copy actions and musical instruments to explore different concepts such as loud and soft, fast and to get different facial expressions from the different sounds of music.

'Peek-a-boo' and other simple interactive games to encourage social interaction.

Treasure Baskets (baskets containing sensory items with (First Steps) different textures, sounds and smells).

Extensive selection of books, stories and rhymes which helps to develop communication and language.

Sand play, water play, painting, and play dough, help develop creativity and it is a sensory experience for young children.

Outside fun – Children are taking outside on a daily basis to explore the outdoor environment.

### **13 Months to 18 Months**

With this age range, our nursery staff provide the quality experiences your child needs. This age and stage of their development is the stage children begin to assert their independence and individuality.

The following are a variety of resources, activities and experiences on offer for children 13 months - 18 months in line with the EYFS Curriculum:

Music, songs, rhymes, musical instruments, action songs ('ring-a-rosies', 'this little piggy') to develop language skills, physical development and expression through music.

Your child will be encouraged to access resources and exercise freedom of choice about the activities they wish to participate in.

Stimulating conversation, interactive play and learning to socialise, share and make friends is all part of the day.

### **Daily walks and outdoor play/activities.**

Heuristic Play (play using everyday objects such as wooden spoons and pans which encourages curiosity and exploration and offers opportunities to categorise and compare).

The nursery staff will support your child through toilet training and developing independence at mealtimes in a secure, loving environment.

### **19 MONTHS - 35 MONTHS**

As well as many activities mentioned in the previous age range (3 months - 18 months), your child will also be able to participate in:

Extensive selection of books, stories, poems and rhymes to encourage communication and language.

Multi-cultural activities and celebrations as well as activities such as singing and using musical instruments.

Daily opportunities for outdoor experiences.

Computer skills through the supervised use of interactive educational programmes. The nursery also has a wide range of interactive toys and resources to further your child's I.T knowledge.

Mark making activities with pencils, chalk, crayons, paint brushes and felt tips.

Sand play and water play to introduce early science concepts such as pouring, measuring, wet, dry, full, empty.

Extensive opportunities for encouraging expressive development through painting, gluing and drawing using a variety of art materials.

Play dough and clay activities because these are sensory experiences which will encourage fine motor skills in hands and fingers.

Using the pair of scissors appropriate for their age range.

Role play activities such as dressing up, using puppets and 'let's pretend' in the home corner. Children use role play to make sense of the world around them through acting out familiar experiences.

Cooking and baking activities appropriate for their age range to develop their science knowledge such as measuring and weighing. Healthy eating habits are also encouraged.

Caring for living things and to gain knowledge of nature and the world around them.

An extensive range of construction toys such as bricks and lego to encourage fine motor skills in the fingers and hands.

### **36 MONTHS - 5 YEARS (Pre-school)**

As children move out of toddler stage and into the independence of the preschool years, the programme for learning develops into a more structured pace of meaningful and purposeful learning, where children are encouraged to approach the world with curiosity and with a positive disposition to learn.

At this stage children need confidence and the skills and desire to think for themselves, to solve problems, to work with others, to communicate, and to gain an increasing understanding of the world and how it works.

Our Preschool curriculum for learning builds on the children's knowledge and skills base, learning style, and interests. Through a rich variety of projects, children investigate the fascinating world in which they live, which enhances the development of emerging knowledge and skills.

A balance of child-initiated and adult-led guided learning across key areas of learning are provided for throughout the day.

At Petite Ambassadors our pre-school curriculum for learning is designed to lay the pedagogical foundations that prepares every child to:

Be ready to read: confidently equipped with the desire, vocabulary, and language-deciphering skills they have developed through experiences that are meaningful to them.

Approach the world with curiosity and the knowledge and skills that lead to success in maths and science: a growing interest in the properties of things and the relationships and forces that exist in the natural world.

Use their social skills to perform in a school classroom: listening skills, self-discipline, patience, and discipline for the task, ability to work with others, and ability to solve problems.

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Extensive selection of books, stories, poems and rhymes to encourage communication and language.

Multi-cultural activities and celebrations as well as activities such as singing and using musical instruments.

Daily opportunities for outdoor experiences.

Computer skills through the supervised use of interactive educational programmes. The nursery also has a wide range of interactive toys and resources to further your child's I.T knowledge.

Writing their names with pencils/felt tips as well as identifying their names.

Recognising the alphabet phonetically.

Sand play and water play to introduce early science concepts such as pouring, measuring, wet, dry, full, empty.

Extensive opportunities for encouraging expressive development through painting, gluing and drawing using a variety of art materials.

Play dough and clay activities because these are sensory experiences which will encourage fine motor skills in hands and fingers.

Using the pair of scissors correctly.

Role play activities such as dressing up, using puppets and 'let's pretend' in the home corner. Children use role play to make sense of the world around them through acting out familiar experiences.

Cooking and baking activities to develop their science knowledge such as measuring and weighing. Healthy eating habits are also encouraged.

Caring for living things and to gain knowledge of nature and the world around them.

An extensive range of construction toys such as Bricks and Lego to improve upon their fine motor skills.