



# OUR PROSPECTUS

'Let The Learning Journey Begin....'

**SandyBears**  
nursery and preschool

The Old School House  
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# ABOUT US...

Sandy Bear's Nursery and Pre-school caters for children requiring full day care 51 weeks of the year and for those who wish to follow a term-time only sessional structure.

"Sandy Bear's Nursery & Pre-school offers inspiring indoor and outdoor areas that will provide a broad, balanced and creative curriculum to encourage each child to develop to their full potential. We combine free play with both planned and structured teaching with the emphasis on fun! Play is at the heart of children's learning in accordance with the EYFS, therefore, at Sandy Bear's play is valued, supported and used positively to develop your child's individual learning journey,"

Sandy Bear's Nursery & Pre-school is located in the old schoolhouse in Tattenhall and is owned by Laura Rigby. Laura has 8 years of experience of working in childcare, also alongside health visitors, speech therapists, physiotherapists and other professionals on the child development team. Our team is enthusiastic and determined to provide a creative, dynamic and inspiring start to your child's education.

"We can fully appreciate the pressures experienced by all working families and aim to provide a 'home from home', whilst affording parents peace of mind. A happy, committed and enthusiastic team is fundamental to the success of our Nursery & Pre-school."

# WHAT OFSTED SAYS...

*Outstanding in – 'the contribution of the early years provision to the well-being of children' (OFSTED 2012)*

*'There are rich, varied and imaginative experiences delivered by practitioners who have very high expectations of themselves and the children, expert knowledge of the areas of learning, and a clear understanding of how children learn.'* (OFSTED 2012)

*'Teaching is strong across the provision for all children, including the very youngest, so that they are engaged and captivated in meaningful play activity.'* (OFSTED 2012)

*'All children, show an extremely strong sense of belonging within the provision and demonstrate that they feel safe. Children are extremely confident and have high self-esteem, learning to negotiate and cooperate with their peers and displaying an excellent awareness of responsibility within the provision'* (OFSTED 2012)

*'Babies settle well because practitioners are familiar to them and have an exceptional knowledge of their individual likes, needs and routines.'* (OFSTED 2012)

# STAFF...

*“ The robust recruitment and vetting procedures ensure that staff are suitable to be working with children and hold appropriate qualifications” (OFSTED 2012)*

All Staff have relevant qualifications or are in the process of gaining further childcare qualifications and will be continually supported in further training for personal and professional development. Staff are continuously enhancing their skills with our ‘Sandy Bear’s staff meeting in-house training sessions’.

All staff are fully CRB checked before working with children. They are all First Aid trained- this ensures there is always a qualified First Aider on duty.

All staff have Safeguarding Children level 1 and some level 2.

All staff have completed short courses to develop their skills which includes; ‘Promoting Positive Behavior’, ‘Behavior Management’, ‘Supporting Communication’, ‘Makaton’, ‘Mark Making Matters’, ‘Enabling Environments’ ‘Communication under 2s’, ‘Math’s Matter’ ‘Block building’ and more ongoing courses booked for this year.

Miss Laura Rigby - Manager & Owner of Sandy Bear’s Nursery & Pre-school

- Bear Cub Room Leader & Key-Worker (0-18 months)
- BTEC Diploma in Childcare (2008)
- Leadership and management level 3 (2012)
- Food & hygiene certificate (2012)
- Paediatric First Aid Certificate (2012)
- Recruiting Safely (2012)
- Makaton, sign language + braille (2011)
- Safeguarding Children Level 1 (2010)
- Safeguarding Children Level 2 (2012)
- SENCo trained (2012)

Miss Astone Mackintosh Smith - Deputy Manager + EYP of Sandy Bear’s Nursery & Pre-school.

- Early Years Professional Status
- Big Bear’s Room leader & Key Worker – Early Years Practitioner
- Graduate from Lancaster University (2011)
- Paediatric First Aid (2012)
- Food & Hygiene (2012)
- Recruiting Safely (2012)
- Safeguarding Children Level 1 (2012)
- SENCo trained (2013)

Melissa Gilford - Baby Bears Room Leader, key worker and practitioner

- Level 3 BTEC Diploma childcare
- Level 5 early childhood studies (currently training)
- Paediatric First Aid (2013)
- Food & Hygiene (2013)
- Safeguarding children (level 1)

Lindsay Wright - Big Bear's Practitioner & Key Worker

- Level 3 in childcare
- Safeguarding Children Level 1 (2012)
- Managing Safely (2009)
- Team Leading (2006)

Fiona Southerton - Supply Nursery Nurse

- N.V.Q Level 3 Childcare (2007) Currently working towards level 5
- Safeguarding children (level 2)
- SENCo trained (2010)
- Paediatric First Aid (2010) course booked for renewal 2013
- Food & Hygiene (2013)

Claire Davenport - Big Bears Practitioner & Key Worker

- N.V.Q Level 3 Children's Care, Learning & Development (2011)
- Paediatric First Aid (2010) course booked for renewal 2013
- Safeguarding Children (Level 1)
- Food Safety in Catering (2011)
- Food & Hygiene (2013)

Steph Craig - Volunteer

- Degree in English Literature
- In House training

Natalie Corrie - Volunteer

- NVQ Level 3 Childcare
- In House training

## KEY WORKER...

*"The highly successful implementation of the key person system and the effective deployment of highly motivated and enthusiastic practitioners, ensure that all children form secure emotional attachments." (OFSTED 2012)*

Our key-worker system gives each member of Staff particular responsibility for just a few children. Each child in the Group has one special adult to relate to which can make settling into the Group much easier. In addition the key-worker is in a position to tailor the group's curriculum to the unique needs of each individual child. The key-worker maintains links with the child's parents to ensure that all children are supported in reaching their full potential.

# SNACKS AND MEAL TIMES...

*"The setting promotes healthy eating.....staff make sure that dietary needs are considered and catered for" (OFSTED 2012)*

At Sandy Bear's Nursery & Pre-school snack and meal times are thought of as a social occasion as well as for the provision of food. Children are encouraged to try a variety of fruit and vegetables and use the staff as role models for the types of food eaten and eating behavior

Sandy Bear's Nursery & Pre-school promotes healthy eating. A healthy snack will be available mid-morning and afternoon. A range of seasonal fruit and vegetables, a variety of dips, cheeses and bread products will be served and milk or water will be available.

Each child will have the opportunity to prepare food and drink. Sometimes preparing food to take home and regularly helping to prepare snack.

Water is always available for the children.

All snack and meal menus are displayed weekly on the notice board in the cloak room.

For those children attending all day; a 2 course hot meal and a cold meal will be served during the course of the day. Meals are included for children aged up to 3 years of age attending Sandy Bear's Nursery and are charged separately for children aged over 3 years. For those children attending the term-time only pre-school there is the choice of bringing a packed lunch. We recommend that an ice pack is used at all times and that no sweets form part of the lunch.

Every effort will be made to accommodate the dietary needs of children with health, cultural or religious requirements.

# BEAR CUBS ROOM...

*"I have been very impressed with the level of care & persistence you have given Emily in toilet training recently. She obviously feels Sandy Bears is a safe & happy environment to learn new independence skills. I was also really reassured when Emily recently progressed to the Sandy Bear's 2's room. I felt happy to discuss my concerns with staff (about new routine/ activities/ sleep arrangements etc) and found these were addressed and dealt with in a very professional manner. In addition, I was invited to drop by and observe Emily in her new environment for further reassurance. I found this an excellent way to dispel any lingering concerns! Emily clearly enjoys her days at Sandy Bears- well done!" (PARENT 2012)*

*Babies and toddlers develop their language skills very well because they receive individual care and learning. They delight in babbling and increasingly experiment with sounds and words to communicate, which is recognised and promoted well by staff. (OFSTED 2012)*

The Bear Cub's room is home to babies and toddlers ranging from the age of 3 months to approximately 18 months- 2 years.

It is open 51 weeks of the year between the hours of 8-6pm. Sessions available are 8-1pm; 1-6pm and 8-6pm. Early starts are available upon request for a 7.30 or 7.45 start to help those working parents that little bit more. We also offer a crèche facility for parents to use on an ad-hoc basis. Melissa is the room leader and is key worker to a group of babies and toddlers in this room.

It is our aim that your child feels happy and secure in our care and also that through observations of their interests, your baby can be helped to learn and develop at their own pace and according to their developmental stage. Your child may play in either of our two play areas. There is a soft surfaced area which includes cushions and support rings. This area is a comfortable area for babies and younger children to play on. Rhyme and Rhythm time is promoted throughout the day to encourage development of communication skills and links to every other area of development. The boxes of different toys are placed on here for play throughout the day and the contents are changed & sterilised regularly. There is a basket of books for quiet time play and for one to one or group time reading. The other area used in the room is the hard surfaced area. It is on here that the babies get to experience messy and other forms of exploratory play. This may include painting, gloop, spaghetti or playing in shredded paper! The outdoor area is a great space for the children and the nursery makes good use of its double buggies for walks around Tattenhall too.

Your child will enjoy a healthy snack mid-morning consisting of fruit and a carbohydrate eg. Toast, cracker, rusk etc. At lunch time your child will eat a 'home cooked' two course meal similar to our sample menu. Meals will be served in the consistency appropriate to the personal age/stage of your child; this will be discussed regularly with yourselves. If your child is just beginning weaning, we will work alongside you to make the process as smooth as possible. Tea is also a freshly prepared two course meal usually consisting of a variety of finger foods for the older babies or for the younger babies another puréed light meal. Milk is given as per your wishes, we ask you to provide your own bottles with the quantity of cooled, boiled water in that you wish your child to have. These will be labelled and mixed with the formula powder that you will provide in another separate labelled container at the agreed times. Made-up bottles are kept for no longer than 1 hour and after this time they will be rinsed and put in your child's basket ready to go home.

Your child's nappy will be changed every 2 hours at specific times throughout the day and also as and when required.

Babies have the opportunity to sleep whenever they need to. There are two wooden cots, a smaller travel bed and a couple of prams & pushchairs that can be used to encourage sleep. Their individual home routine will be followed. Each child has their own clean sheets that are frequently laundered and placed on their labelled shelf above the cots ready for their next use. Sleeping outside is actively encouraged, the children are strapped in and checked regularly, we do ask that you provide extra warm clothing if you wish your child to take advantage of our safe secure outside area for sleeping.

Your child will be able to play outside every day. We deem fresh air to be a vital ingredient for a happy, healthy child. If the weather is too cold for the babies to sit and play outside, they will be able to go on walks around the village in our double buggies to ensure that they receive ample fresh air.

At Sandy Bear's we believe that singing is an important first step to talking and communicating. Every day your child will be involved in a singing/musical session, sometimes an outside professional will be brought in to enhance these sessions. There are a number of different musical instruments that the children can explore on their own and these are often used in our musical sessions too. Makaton is introduced as early as possible to the children. The signs used will be displayed on our newsletters to help with recognition at home. If you wish to learn more about this form of communication please feel free to ask a member of staff.

In the Bear Cub room, the day's activities are planned around the daily routine to ensure a feeling of consistency and security for your child, yet allowing room for both spontaneous and planned activities with your child.

If your child needs to take any medication during their time with us, we are able to administer this in accordance with our nursery policies. We will require you to sign a medication form authorising us to do so. All medication must be in its original container and the prescription label must state the name of your child, date etc. If required, as in the case of a high temperature or other emergency, Calpol can be administered from our nursery bottle only if a Calpol authorisation form has been completed. If you wish your child to have Calpol during their time at nursery eg. For teething problems, we ask that you bring your own bottle of Calpol labelled with your child's name and sign a medication form stating when and what dose is required. This will be returned to you at the end of the day.

From time to time your child might accidentally hurt themselves. Any minor bumps or scrapes will be recorded on an accident report form. At the end of the day we will require your signature on this form to show that you have read and understood the nature of the accident. More serious accidents will be treated in accordance with our nursery policy and you will be informed immediately.

At the end of the day, a daily diary sheet will be given to you indicating important parts of your baby's day, including sleep times, nappy changes and what your child has done that day. There is a section for information from home. Please feel free to write in this section any information that you feel we should know. This might include how your child has slept or eaten; any trips/ holidays you have taken recently or any developmental milestones that your baby has reached. Feel free to give any feedback in this section. Please remember to bring back this sheet so that it can be filed in your child's folder. After an exchange of information, you will be able to collect your child's belongings and sign out before heading home.

# SANDY BEAR'S NURSERY & SANDY BEAR'S TERM TIME ONLY PRE-SCHOOL (BIGBEARS)...

*"Children develop excellent self-care skills, for example, as they open their lunch boxes at lunchtime. The setting has given parents handy tips on ensuring children have a choice of healthy foods at meal times." (OFSTED 2012)*

*"Eva's language development, both orally and written has improved throughout her time at Sandy Bears. She is always happy to come to nursery and loves all the activities she takes part in. All the staff are kind and caring and know Eva very well. Eva has loved her time at Sandy Bears and will be sad to leave... so sad she will stay on at After school club after September. (PARENT 2012)*

Sandy Bear's Nursery Room shares its space with Sandy Bear's Term-Time only Pre-school. The nursery is open 8-6pm, 51 weeks of the year. At Sandy Bear's we offer teachers of Cheshire West and Cheshire East the unique opportunity to be able to book the nursery during terms only. Like the Bear Cub Room Sandy Bear's Nursery also run morning and afternoon sessions as well as full day care.

We aim to provide a safe, secure and stimulating environment for your child. As a mixed age nursery, if staff, parents and management feel that it is developmentally appropriate for your child, they may join this room from 18 months- 2 years of age.

Children from 2 years of age may join the term-time only pre-school. The pre-school sessions are based on a 3 hour session of learning through play including child initiated/led play and practitioner led group activities in accordance with the EYFS taken between the hours of 9-3pm.

Throughout the day the children of all ages will mix and socialise in free play. Group activities are organised according to age and stage of abilities and also children's interests and needs. Every day stories are read, songs are sung and children get the opportunity to come together to share news from home. Observations of children are taken regularly so future activities can be planned taking into account children's interests and needs.

As children learn, develop and grow in confidence they begin to take on more responsibilities in the nursery. Your child may find they are 'snack monitor' helping to prepare and hand around the delicious snack; or 'eco-monitor' in charge of ensuring paper is placed in the recycling bin.

A typical day will involve your child engaging in free-play whilst staff observe, join in and enhance their learning by providing additional resources. Group activities take place every day, including smaller groups, perhaps learning a new skill, or enjoying a music

session. Older children may partake in a fun phonics session or benefit from a visit from an artist.

The emphasis is on fun with carefully planned learning opportunities. There are areas for quiet time, sleep and rest and your child's routine from home will be followed. Your child will have their own 'Learning Journey' a scrap book of observations, photos and progress reports. You are encouraged to add to this book with photos from home, developmental milestones and your news and observations about your child. At the end of your child's journey at Sandy Bears, your child will next be moving on to school. Your child's teacher will have been invited to Sandy Bears to look through your child's developmental stages and learning journey, this book is then yours to keep when they embark on this new stage of their lives.

*"Staff and children interact well together and relationships between them are warm, staff help children to feel safe and secure" (OFSTED 2012)*

## OUTDOORS...

*"Practitioners implement secure planning and monitoring across the seven areas of learning and children benefit from opportunities to play outside on a daily basis."*

*(OFSTED 2012)*

Our fantastic outdoor space includes vegetable beds in which the children help to grow potatoes, tomatoes, strawberries, carrots etc. Your child will take an active part growing, watering and harvesting the crops which are then used in our own snacks and meals. We believe that daily fresh air is so important to all of our children. A dedicated outdoor play time is timetabled into our day as well as the freedom of children being able to access the outdoors throughout the day. Our outdoor area includes areas for running, climbing, building on a larger scale than is possible indoors and riding around like Formula 1 racing drivers in our extensive stock of cars, trikes scooters and creepers. As an Eco-School, the children are actively involved in collecting water in our secure water butts for the watering of plants and vegetables grown. Outdoor play is beneficial to all children as it captures their creativity and imagination and gives your child the freedom and space to explore on a grander scale. Our all-weather canopy will help your child to access the outdoors despite our typically inclement British Weather!!

*"The outdoor environment has been improved to include interesting learning opportunities for children such as the 'ECO-project'. This increases the opportunities for children to spend more time learning outdoors about projects which are environmentally linked." (OFSTED 2012)*

# THE CURRICULUM...

*"Children are enthusiastic and curious learners who are supported by practitioners who have a very good understanding of how children learn. Teaching is strong across the provision for all children, including the very youngest, so that they are engaged and captivated in meaningful play activity." (OFSTED 2012)*

We follow the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) from 0 – 5 years old. This ensures continuity and progression on an individual basis for each child. All children will progress towards Early Learning goals through age related milestones. Planning and assessment will be carried out with regards to the seven areas of learning;

- Personal, social and emotional development
- Communication and language
- Mathematics
- Understanding the world
- Physical development
- Expressive Arts and Design
- Literacy

# BEFORE, AFTER SCHOOL AND HOLIDAY CLUB...

Sandy Bears now caters for Breakfast club and After school care for the following schools:

- Tattenhall Park Primary School
- Bickerton Primary School
- Huxley Primary School
- Malpas Primary School

We are also very keen to start breakfast and afterschool care with other schools if parents request.

Breakfast club consists of breakfast between 8-8.30, We have a variety of breakfasts available and also more on request. The children are either walked to school by Laura Rigby (Manager) Astone Smith (Deputy) or Claire Davenport (Big bears key worker) and dropped off at their individual classrooms. Children are never left unattended and Sandy Bears staff will always be available if the child's teacher needs to speak to them.

To school which are not in walking distance Laura or Astone will drive the children to school. The cars are both fully insured for business use and school runs, they have car seats and booster seats and any documents are available for parents if they wish to see.

After school care and holiday care children have fun filled planned activities awaiting their arrival! This can consist of designing their own display board, designing their own menu and then cooking it, tshirt making and decorating, baking, sewing, drama, sports and so much more! We may also plan for a visitor to come in to teach the children sports or bring in animals or insects! This October we have 'Zoo lab' coming in to bring in some unique and exotic species for the After school children to hold and touch!

Holiday club children can benefit from all the above and more! Trips to west Kirby beach searching for treasure dressed as pirates and paddling in the sea, building dens or log fires in the forest, searching for mini beasts, walking Barney the friendly Cocker Spaniel puppy to the duck pond or across the flacca Cricket Pitch... and lots more!!!

## PARENTS AND CARERS...

*"Children are well supported and valued, as they confidently express their needs and preferences. They are very secure in expressing themselves. Where children are recognised as requiring additional support, practitioners successfully work with parents and other professionals to ensure each child's individual needs are met." (OFSTED 2012)*

We want all our parents and carers to feel welcome and involve you as partners in your child's learning and development. We recognise that parents and carers have the best knowledge of their child and therefore, treat you as part of 'our team'.

We promise we will keep you up to date with your child's learning journey. We encourage you to share information with us about your child, their interests, needs and to take an active role in. We have created a Sandy Bear's 'home-school diary' & a Daily Diary Sheet in the Bear Cub's Room, which will have daily entries of significant events and if you would like, we can even send you a text message! We publish monthly newsletters, social events, open days and workshops.

We have recently brought together a joint parent and staff 'committee team' that meets regularly to discuss eco-initiatives, improvements of the nursery, new ideas, how we can help involve other parents more and the children are involved in many projects including how we can teach the children about healthy living, litter, water, waste and bio-diversity to name just a few! We are always looking for more parental involvement – please contact staff to get involved! We have recently been awarded the silver award for being part of the eco-school initiative.

You are always welcome to drop in on any session and, if you have a specific interest, hobby or job that you think the children would be excited to learn about then please come and share it with us!

Parents/carers are closely consulted about sleeping, feeding routines etc, and these will be continued on an individual basis.

*"Working closely with parents from the beginning to establish initial targets, linked to the Early Years Foundation Stage. Parents receive periodic reports and are invited to*

*'stay and play' sessions, such as a recent 'messy play' day. Parents comment that this has 'improved their understanding of how much children learn through play'." (OFSTED 2012)*

## SCHOOL UNIFORM...

As messy play is encouraged at Sandy Bear's Nursery there is an optional uniform of a polo shirt and a sweatshirt to wear once your child enters the main room. Parents are encouraged to send their children to Sandy Bear's Nursery either in this or in comfortable, easily washable clothes, which are not brand new. Clothing should be simple and easy for the child to handle to encourage independence at toilet time.

## REGISTRATION...

*"Systems to assess children's starting points on entry and transitions across the provision are exceptionally secure. These are implemented in a variety of ways, including, working closely with parents from the beginning to establish initial targets, linked to the Early Years Foundation Stage." (OFSTED 2012)*

If you would like your child to attend Sandy Bear's Full day Care Nursery the following steps will need to be taken.

1. Complete a welcome pack, giving your child's details, consent forms etc. This will be confidential and kept safely in your child's file.
2. You will be asked to pay £100 deposit. The deposit will be refunded after the first 3 months of attendance if there has been no reduction in the number of hours taken.
3. You will be given a starting date and some settling in sessions will be organised.

If you would like your child to attend Sandy Bear's Term-Time Only Pre-school the following steps will need to be taken.

1. Complete a welcome pack, giving your child's details, consent forms etc. This will be confidential and kept safely in your child's file.
2. A start date will be agreed and some settling in sessions will be organised. If there is space, you may not have to wait until the start of a new term and may be given a place immediately.
3. If your child is aged between 3 and 4 years of age they may be entitled to up to 15 hours' worth of government funded sessions a week. There will be a parent declaration form to fill out and proof of your child's date of birth will be required. You do not need to apply for this free entitlement as we will apply for the funding for you. However, this funding is given strictly per term and if you wish to join Sandy Bear's Pre-school mid-way through the term normal fees will apply until the

start of the next full term. Similarly it is best to move your child at the end of a term break so as to ensure you receive the maximum grant.

## FEE'S...

We accept many childcare vouchers including Fideliti, Care4, Computershare, My Family Care and Kiddivouchers. Please speak to staff to arrange the facilitation of this. If we are not registered with the childcare voucher you have, speak to a member of staff we will be happy to sign up.

The cost of your childcare can be taken out of your salary before the NI and Tax contributions are calculated. This is done through your employer registering on one of the childcare voucher schemes such as Accor, Computershare, care 4 and various others. You can off set up to £243 per parent per month, gaining a saving of £1866 per annum for both parent's. For parent's joining a scheme from 6th April 2011 the government has capped the amount of voucher a tax-payer can request each month £243 for a Basic rate tax payer £124 for higher rate tax payer and £97 for additional rate tax payer.

Your employer deducts your childcare figure from your salary and then forwards the amount for the childcare to the nominated voucher scheme. If your voucher scheme is electronically released please check your payments are being sent. It is also helpful if you could email us when payment has been sent.

### Sandy Bear's Nursery Fees & charges for Bear Cub's Room (0-18 months)

8-6pm £40.00 including meals and nappies  
8-1pm £24.00 including meals and nappies  
1-6pm £22.00 including meals and nappies

Extra hours on an ad-hoc basis 0-18 months £6.00 p/hr  
Crèche facilities for non-regular users 0-18 months £6.50 p/hr

A minimum of 2 half days attendance is required.

### Sandy Bear's Nursery Fees & Charges for Toddler & Pre-school Room

18 months-3 years old  
8-6pm £40.00 including meals  
8-1pm £24.00 including meals  
1-6pm £22.00 including meals

### Children aged 3 years to school age

8-6pm £35.00  
8-1pm £18.00  
1-6pm £17.00

Meals are charged in addition (for 3 year olds only) at a cost of £3.00 per day discounted meal deal for children staying 8-6pm, otherwise £2.00 for a 2 course lunch at mid-day and/or £1.50

for a sandwich lunch/tea.

Extra hours on an ad-hoc basis 2-3 years £6.25

Extra hours on an ad-hoc basis 3-4 years £6.00

A minimum of 2 half days attendance is required.

Sandy Bear's Term-Time Only Pre-school Sessions

Children aged 2-3 yrs

Morning Session 9am-12 noon (£4.10p/hr) £12.30

Afternoon Session 12 noon – 3pm (£4.10p/hr) £12.30

Children aged 3-4 yrs

Morning Session 9am-12 noon (£4.00p/hr) £12.00

Afternoon Session 12 noon- 3pm (£4.00p/hr) £12.00

An extra hour may be added at the normal hourly rate at the end of the morning session for lunch and further activities.

## EXTRAS

Breakfast Club 8-9am incl. breakfast 2-3 yrs £4.50

Breakfast Club 8-9am incl. breakfast 3-4 yrs £4.50

Breakfast Club 8-9am incl. breakfast & journey to Park School £5.50

Breakfast Club 8-9am incl. breakfast & journey to Bickerton School £6.00

Sandy Bear's Lunch (Cold) £1.50

Sandy Bear's Lunch (Hot) £2.00

Sandy Bear's Discount Meal Deal (hot lunch & cold tea on same day) £3.00

After School Club 3.30-6pm incl. 2 course hot tea & journey from Huxley, Tattenhall Park Primary £10.50

After School Club 3.30-6pm incl. 2 course hot tea & journey from Bickerton Primary School £12.50

Extra hours on an ad-hoc basis 2-3 yrs £5.25

Extra hours on an ad-hoc basis 3-4 yrs £5.00

## OPTIONAL UNIFORM

Sandy Bear Polo Shirt £9.50

Sandy Bear Sweatshirt

£10.50

If extra hours are required on a regular basis, please see Sandy Bear's Full Day Care fees and charges to see if this suits your requirements better.

Government funding is available to all children the term following their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday. This funding is for 5 x 3 hour sessions per week and fees will be adjusted accordingly. Fees remain due irrespective of attendance for any reason. One full half term's notice must be given of any changes to sessions and/or attendance.

Sandy Bears Nursery is now eligible to except 2 year funding from selected 2 year olds. Please speak to Laura (Manager) or Astone (Deputy) for more details.

## THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW...

During the registration process you will be asked to give the names of up to three people who may collect your child from Sandy Bear's Nursery & Pre-school. We WILL NOT allow your child to be collected by anyone else unless we have permission in writing and identification will be required. We operate a password system for use in these circumstances.

Sandy Bear's is unable to care for any child who is ill. Please seek advice from Sandy Bear's staff if you are unsure. If a child becomes ill during pre-school hours, every effort will be made to contact parents/carers. In an emergency, treatment will be sought.

Medicines will require an administration consent form. Please ask nursery or pre-school staff.

Please keep Sandy Bear's Nursery & Pre-school informed of any changes to registration details.

Please ensure that all clothing, shoes or personal belongings brought to the nursery are clearly labeled.

No sweets, money or valuables are to be brought to the nursery. All articles are left at the nursery at owners' own risk.

Things your child will need in the Bear Cub's Room:

1. A full change of clothing, bib clearly labeled to be kept in your child's own bag.
2. Any article your child needs for comfort, clearly labeled.
3. Any creams, bottles or other personal care items.
4. During the summer months sun cream and a sun hat is recommended.

*"Babies explore their surroundings with confidence and they begin to understand how to use a spoon to eat with. They enjoy musical toys and show pleasure as they communicate with early language sounds and words." (OFSTED 2012)*

Things your child will need in the Main Room:

1. A full change of clothing clearly labeled to be kept in a bag on your child's peg.
2. Any article your child needs for comfort, clearly labeled.

3. Any nappies, pull ups, creams, bottles or other personal care items to be kept in your child's bag on their bag.
4. During the summer months sun cream and hat is recommended.

## OFSTED REPORT...

Our recent Ofsted inspection (2012) gave a judgment of 'Outstanding' in the contribution of the early years provision and the well-being of children and 'Good' across all areas. All areas of the provision were rated as 'strong'. A full copy of the report can be found by quoting EY443265 on the OFSTED's website. ([www.ofsted.gov.uk](http://www.ofsted.gov.uk)) or go onto our website for and click on the OFSTED link to take you straight to the page! ([www.sandbearsnursery@live.co.uk](http://www.sandbearsnursery@live.co.uk)) or ask a member of Sandy bear's for a copy.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any further information. Please feel free to pop in and visit us at any time – no appointment is necessary, however if you would like the guarantee of being able to speak to staff at length a separate pre-arranged visit is recommended as well.

Visit our Website at [www.sandybearsnursery.co.uk](http://www.sandybearsnursery.co.uk)

Email Sandy Bear's on [sandybearsnursery@live.co.uk](mailto:sandybearsnursery@live.co.uk)

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