



Kids in Bloom – Southdene

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Who are we? – An introduction

We are extremely proud to welcome you to Kids in Bloom Nurseries.



We are an independent family owned group of private day nurseries which are located in the Merseyside area. We opened our first nursery in 2003, all of our premises have been renovated to an extremely high standard with state- of-the-art equipment throughout.

Thank you for taking the time to look through our prospectus, it has been designed especially for you and the questions you will want us to answer. We hope that it will give you an insight into the Kids in Bloom attitude, approach and dedication to high quality childcare, which makes us unique.

We understand what an important decision it is to make when selecting the right childcare for your little one. As a parent you naturally want the best care for your child and will be looking for a nursery which meets your childcare needs and expectations. We are proud of the environments we have created that allow children to flourish and learn at their own pace. We employ fully qualified and committed practitioners that are passionate about children's development while helping them enjoy, have fun and achieve!

Our Mission Statement

At Kids in Bloom we are committed to providing high quality teaching and learning that puts the needs and safety of children first.

We will plan activities that promote each child's social, physical, moral and intellectual development. We will provide a staff team that are experienced, well trained, knowledgeable, caring and properly supported.

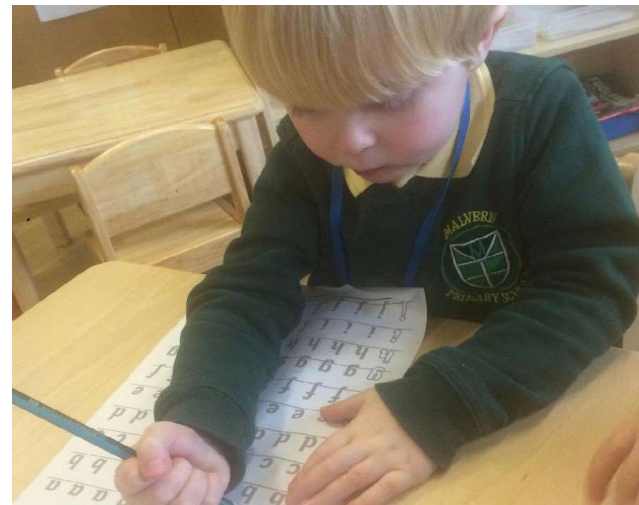


Our Nurseries and Out of School Clubs

Our nurseries, out of school club and holiday clubs care for babies and children up to the age of 11 years old.

Our aim is to provide the highest standard of nursery care in a safe, stimulating and caring environment. We pride ourselves on being able to make a positive influence on your child's future educational, physical and social development. At Kids in Bloom your child's day will be filled with lots of opportunities to have fun, learn, play, laugh, relax and grow.

As a parent, you are always welcome here at Kids in Bloom Nurseries. We have an open door policy and our staff are always happy to discuss your child's progress. We value your suggestions and feedback as primary educators. Finally, we ensure that no child is ever excluded or disadvantaged because of race, culture of religion, background, special educational needs, disability or gender.



Our Team

We take the utmost care in selecting the right staff for our settings. Our management team have over 30 years' experience within the childcare sector, and we are supported by a team of qualified, highly motivated and experienced nursery practitioners.



We are all working together to achieve the same goal and that is to provide each child with the highest quality of learning experiences.

Kids in Bloom are extremely proud of its excellent team which are handpicked for their expertise and experience. Each room has a room senior and your child will have a key team member allowing you to regularly communicate the needs of your child and your wishes as a parent. Working together to ensure the best start for your child.

All staff are expected to complete a comprehensive 8-week induction programme after commencing their career at Kids in Bloom Nurseries. The induction covers topics such as Safeguarding children, Health and safety, Learning and Development procedures and Basic Food Hygiene. A high percentage of staff are trained in Pediatric First Aid and this training is updated every 3 years to ensure this remains current.

All staff are DBS checked before joining the company (DBS—Disclosure and Barring Service)

We are proud of our commitment to the childcare sector and we fully support trainee staff and students from local colleges and universities. They can learn the important skills needed to succeed in the early years and can learn from experienced and qualified practitioners. All students are DBS checked, we carry out a student risk assessment and students are never left alone with the children.

Your child's day with us

We want your child to enjoy their experiences at Kids in Bloom and appreciate that every child is an individual and this will be reflected in the care they receive. All the children will have an opportunity to take part in a range of planned activities which reflect the appropriate curriculum as well as including all aspects of children's learning.

There will be a chance for the children to lead their own play and this is supported by the trained staff, child friendly storage and accessible equipment.

There is a comfortable rest area in each room which allows your child to have quiet time to sleep or relax. All sleep and rest time are fully monitored by a member of the team.

All the rooms have plenty of space to play enabling each child to get the most out of the activities provided, such as dancing, circle games and large construction equipment.

There is a messy play area where there will be creative activities, baking, sand and water play, as part of any child's learning is exploring and experimenting with different materials. There are communal break out areas including our library and dining area.

These add variation to your child's day and a chance to socialise with children of different ages and stages, encouraging the children to feel part of our nursery family.

Your child will play outdoors at least twice a day, children love playing in all weathers and whether its puddle jumping or enjoying the sunshine your child will have regular opportunities to enjoy the fresh air.

Baby Room and Waddler Room

(0-18 months and 18-23 months)

Kids in Bloom recognises how important it is that your baby has the best start in life and we support this by having our tailor made baby room and waddler room. This enables us to meet your child's individual routines and provide the home comforts a young child needs.

All our babies have flexible, planned activities, to provide them with a stimulating, safe and fun environment. There is a rest area which allows your child to sleep and relax in a quiet and comfortable atmosphere while being fully monitored by our specialised team.

During each day, you will be updated with our new iConnect system which is a fantastic opportunity for our team to inform you of your baby's experiences during the day, for example nappies, sleep patterns and things they have enjoyed, learned and experienced during their day.

Toddler Room

(24-36 months)

Our toddler room is where children begin to explore their environment with real enthusiasm. This room is designed to maximise your own child's developing curiosity and independence skills.

Your child will take part in a wide range of entertaining and interesting planned activities. Your child will have opportunities to lead their own play experiences and this is encouraged by the toddler room team who are trained to support your child and help them to get the most out of their day.

We have places available for 2 year old funded children where parent(s)/carer(s) are in receipt of certain benefits.



Pre-School Room

(39-50 months)

The preschool room provides planned activities, these will allow your child to develop their confidence and decision- making skills while building relationships.

There are opportunities for your child to choose their own activities and resources and there are child led circle times where children are encouraged to contribute by sharing their learning and experiences with their friends.

The preschool team are trained to support your child and prepare them for their next steps into school whilst always remembering to have fun. Our practitioners work with the Early Years Curriculum which encompasses all areas of learning.

Children are encouraged to go at their own pace and follow their own interests using a variety of different resources and equipment both indoors and out.

With parental consent, we will take children out to visit local places of interest. Letting them handle money and use their maths skills.

Our Pre-school room ensures that our children are ready to take the next step into primary school.



Healthy Meals and Snack Times

At Kids in Bloom, we take great care to provide children with nutritious and wholesome food, prepared by our fully qualified chef's daily. We also plan our daily menus to include fresh and varied options that are suitable for each age group.

We are fully co-operative with any allergies or dietary requirements your child may have and we will always offer an alternative where required, please discuss this with the management team during registration.

All our lunches are planned carefully to encourage children to eat as much fruit, vegetables and healthy snacks as we can, and we will always strive to provide children with their 5 a day seasonal fruit and vegetables.

Fresh drinking water is also always available. We understand meal times are an important opportunity for social interaction and a tool for building confidence and independence. It is also a good opportunity for children to learn to take turns, table etiquette and enjoyment. We actively encourage staff to sit with children during mealtimes and model positive behaviour and engage in conversation. We offer milk and water during breakfast time and morning snack.

As all of our meals are fresh and healthy, we can make them into special lunches for babies who are weaning. Our staff always ensure the type, consistency, temperature and portion size are just right for your baby.

We will introduce different foods as the child progresses through each stage. We will work in partnership with parent's/carers to get the most out of your baby's meal times with us.

Parent Partnership

When parents and practitioners work together in early years settings, the results have a positive impact on children's development and learning.

Parents are essentially the child's first teacher and you know your child so well, better than anyone else. Please share this special knowledge with our setting to help us know and understand your child as well as you do.

At Kids in Bloom, we endeavour to build strong relationships with the parents and carers of all the children who attend our nursery settings

We value feedback from our parents and carers. We recognise that as your child's primary care and educator, you know your child best. To help both you and your child, it is critical that both of you are happy and confident with your choice of nursery. Knowing that your child is in a safe, high quality environment is hugely reassuring.

Throughout your child's time at Kids in Bloom nurseries, we will observe and monitor your child's progress, and record this through observations and termly assessments. We recognise that's communication is a two-way process between ourselves and you as parent/carer, therefore we endeavour to keep you updated and informed through:

- Parent notifications by email
- Termly Newsletters
- Website
- iConnect/Parentzone
- Parent Noticeboards
- Social Media
- Stay and Play sessions
- Parents evenings
- Parents committee

Our nursery managers and staff team are always happy to help you with any questions you have.

At Kids in Bloom Nurseries, we aim to ensure your child's introduction to our setting is as stress free as possible.

Once a place has been offered, you and your child will be invited to visit the nursery prior to your child's official start date to attend some settling in sessions. We usually advise a minimum of 3 x 1 hour long settling in sessions. This helps to familiarise your child with the nursery, the nursery staff and the other children in the room.

Parentzone

What is Parentzone?

Parentzone is a smartphone app which gives you access to information about your child's day at a time which suits you best.

Download the app:

You can download the app for Parentzone for both android and iOS (apple) devices. Just head over to the respective app and search for 'Parentzone'

- Access a timeline of daily events and observations and assessments including photos and videos or send a 'day in the life' report straight to your email address.
- Add observations from home using pictures and videos
- Have view of your child's bookings
- Have access to your invoices
- Order a photo book of your favourite photos

Once you are logged in to the app, you will be greeted by the timeline. This is where all of the published events from your child's nursery are displayed.

Timeline Daily Events

The events that can be published to your timeline:

- Nappy Changes
- Sleep Times
- Meals
- Observations
- Assessments These can include photos/videos of their day ensuring you are up to date.

Observations

Observations will be added and they will be linked to the development framework. Once they are published to the timeline you will be able to see how your child is developing and what next steps to consider. Click view more to see more detail about the grades given. You can even send a comment to the nursery to show that you have acknowledged the observation.



Useful information

Contact Details

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Full Day 7.30am-5.50pm

Half Day - AM/PM 7.30am/1.00pm

1.00pm/5.50pm

For more information on Safeguarding, Child protection and Special educational needs (SENDco) policy please visit our website www.kidsinbloom.co.uk and scroll down to the bottom where you can find our policies and procedures

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