

The pre-school's timetable and routines

Landkey Pre-school believes that care and education are equally important in the experience which we offer children. The routines and activities that make up the pre-school's session/day are provided in ways that:

- help each child to feel that she/he is a valued member of the pre-school;
- ensure the safety of each child;
- help children to gain from the social experience of being part of a group; and
- provide children with opportunities to learn and help them to value learning.



The session/day

The pre-school organises its sessions/day care so that the children can choose from and work at a range of activities and, in doing so, build up their ability to select and work through a task to its completion. The children are also helped and encouraged to take part in adult-led small and large group activities which introduce them to new experiences and help them to gain new skills, as well as helping them to learn to work with others.



Outdoor activities contribute to children's health, their physical development and their knowledge of the world around them. The children have the opportunity - and are encouraged - to take part in outdoor child-chosen and adult-led activities, as well as those provided in the indoor playroom. The pre-school caters for children's individual needs for rest and quiet activities during the day.



Snacks and meals

The pre-school makes snacks and meals a social time at which children and adults eat together. We plan the menus for snacks so that they provide the children with healthy and nutritious food, and encourage healthy eating for packed lunches. Do tell us about your child's dietary needs and we will make sure that these are met.

Starting at Landkey Pre-school



The first days

We want your child to feel happy and safe at the pre-school. To make sure that this is the case, the staff will work with you to decide on how to help your child to settle into the pre-school. The pre-school has a policy about helping children to settle into the pre-school: a copy is enclosed in our prospectus.



Clothing



The pre-school provides protective clothing for the children when they play with messy activities.

Outdoor play; children are given the opportunity to play outside as often as possible could you please send your child suitably dressed for these occasions i.e.; waterproof coats for wet days, warm clothing for cold days, sun hats for hot days. Pre-school t-shirts are available at a cost of £5 each



The pre-school encourages children to gain the skills which help them to be independent and look after themselves. These include taking themselves to the toilet and taking off - and putting on - outdoor clothes. Clothing which is easy for them to manage will help them to do this.