



WELCOME TO VALE VIEW NURSERY



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ACADEMY TRUST



Nursery Sessions

Sessions are as follows, term time only:

9 am – 12 noon

12 noon - 3pm

Funded sessions are available or sessions cost £19.00.

Entitlement to a Free Early Education place does not offer a guarantee of a place at any one provider or a particular pattern of delivery.

15 hours of funding is 5 sessions. This could be every morning or every afternoon, or 2 and a half days or a combination.

30 hours of funding is 10 sessions, which is all day, 5 days a week.

Working families funding is up to 30 hours funding.

Extended hours sessions can be booked as and when required

8am - 9am at £7.00

8.30 - 9 am £3.50

3pm - 3.30 pm £3.50

3 pm - 4pm £7.00



Nursery Funding

Free for 2s funding

Some 2 year-olds can get up to 15 hours of free childcare per week ..

Universal Funding

All 3 and 4-year-olds can have up to 15 hours of free childcare each week.

Working Families Funding

If you are working you may be entitled to free childcare. The amount of free childcare you can get depends on the age of your child.

To be eligible for Working Families Funding you and your partner must each meet the work and earnings requirements unless an exception applies. Your partner means someone you are married to, in a civil partnership with or live with as a couple.

WHEN THEY CAN CLAIM FROM

1st January to 31st March

The beginning of the term on or after the 1st April

1st April to 31st August

The beginning of the term on or after 1st September

1st September to 31st December

The beginning of the term on or after 1st January



Our Curriculum Intent

At Vale View Nursery, we believe that children learn best through curiosity, exploration and meaningful first-hand experiences. Inspired by the Curiosity Approach, we create an enabling environment that sparks awe and wonder, encouraging children to investigate, question, create and develop a lifelong love of learning.

We recognise that every child arrives with unique experiences, interests and strengths. Through strong partnerships with parents and other professionals, we build upon children's prior knowledge and provide the foundations they need to thrive. We are committed to nurturing confident, independent and resilient learners who feel valued, respected and capable. Communication and language are at the heart of our curriculum. Through high-quality interactions, rich conversations, storytelling, singing, rhymes and sustained shared thinking, we develop children's vocabulary, listening skills and confidence to express their thoughts, ideas and feelings. We believe that strong communication skills underpin all future learning and enable children to build positive relationships with others.

Our carefully planned indoor and outdoor environments provide open-ended resources and uninterrupted opportunities for child-led play, exploration and discovery. Skilled adults observe children's interests, extend learning through purposeful interactions and support children to develop the Characteristics of Effective Learning: playing and exploring, active learning, and creating and thinking critically.

We aim for every child to leave our nursery as a confident communicator and a resilient learner ready to embrace the next stage of their educational journey.



Our Values

Determination

We want our children to feel determined to achieve their goals and dreams and have the resilience to overcome obstacles and challenges that stand in the way.

Respect

Mutual respect for all is at the heart of Vale View. We value diversity and show kindness and consideration to each other.

Responsibility

We contribute positively to our community and take responsibility for ourselves, our actions and our behaviour.

Positivity

We promote positivity and enthusiasm throughout the school community and support children to be resilient and maintain a positive attitude.

Collaboration

An important skill for life, we all learn and achieve more when working successfully as a team.





Our Vision

Expanding horizons for learning and life.

- Empowering children to learn for themselves.
- Embracing real-life opportunities.
- Enriching learning experiences to inspire and enthuse.
- Ensuring children value themselves as part of community.

**Being the best
I can be**



Nursery Staff



Ruth Bishop
EYFS Academy Lead



Hannah Ord
Nursery Assistant



Tegan Dickenson
Nursery Assistant



Claire Machin
Nursery Assistant



EYFS Framework

Seven areas of learning and development in the EYFS

Prime areas

Communication
and
language

Personal, social
and emotional
development

Physical
development

Specific areas

Literacy

Maths

Understanding
the world

Expressive arts
and design

Children develop and learn at different rates and in different ways. Their development is not neat and orderly. Sometimes children have some early difficulties in their development. With the right support, they can quickly overcome these difficulties. Playing together, singing, enjoying books, , painting, drawing and finding out through play about letters, numbers and shapes are important activities to do at home. These activities are all learning opportunities and will prepare your child to become a learner.



Snack Bar

A daily snack bar is open every session. The children are invited to have snack by an adult. Snack takes place at a table with plates, bowls, milk or water and a range of healthy foods. Snack supports daily conversation, communication and helps develop independence.

Lunch

For lunch, children may bring a healthy balanced packed lunch from home. We ask for no sweets and fizzy drinks. School dinners can be ordered and bought via the School Gateway app.

Bag

We ask that every child brings a bag to nursery which includes a number of spare clothes, nappies, wipes and cream if appropriate. Spare shoes or wellies may also be useful. A coat and hat/gloves in winter and a sunhat and sun cream in the summer will also be required.



Our classroom

Reading area



Toilets



Sensory area



Creative area

Our graden

Construction area



Bikes and Trikes



Water Play



Mud Kitchen



EYPP & DAF Funding

Early Years Pupil Premium

Did you know that the nursery may be entitled to additional funding to further support the education of your child?

EYPP may help your child to:

- benefit from extra resources and equipment suited to their needs.
- enjoy a range of new play, learning and activity experiences
- be better prepared for starting school
- receive a free hot meal at lunchtime

You can apply for Early Years Pupil premium if your child is age 3 or 4 and gets 15 hours Universal Funding. Please speak to a member of the nursery staff to find out more.

Disability Access Fund

Disability Access Fund (DAF) provides funding to support children with disabilities or special educational needs. The DAF aids access to early years places by, for example, supporting providers in making reasonable adjustments to their provision.

Two-year-old children may be eligible for DAF if they meet the following criteria:

- The child is in receipt of Disability Living Allowance (DLA) and
- The child receives Free Early Education places for 2-year-olds known in Kent as the Free for Two scheme.

Three and four-year old children may be eligible for the DAF if they meet the following criteria:

- The child is in receipt of Disability Living Allowance (DLA) and
- The child receives universal or extended free early education and childcare entitlement.



**Important contact
information**

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Opening times

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You can find us

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