

KINDERCARE (HGTE) LTD
AT
HARROGATE, RIPON
LEEDS - HEADINGLEY, PUDSEY & FARSLEY

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Nursery Managers

Hornbeam Park - Carole Hood

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In operation since 1993, Kindercare has developed and expanded to form four nurseries and several Before/After School Clubs and Holiday Clubs in the Harrogate area and three nurseries in Leeds, one in Pudsey, one on the former St. Chads School site in Headingley and the third in Farsley (formerly Buddi Bear). With the opening of our nursery on the former Ripon & St. John Campus we extended our high quality care to Ripon.

Our Philosophy

We strive to enhance the social, emotional, intellectual and physical development of each child, ensuring that their individual needs are met within a caring, safe environment. We believe that children deserve the best care and education. Our aim is not only to offer this, but also to develop and foster social skills, providing experiences to nurture and develop, ensuring that the children in our care move on as happy and confident little people.

Admissions

At Kindercare it is our policy to admit all children regardless of their gender, race, culture, religious belief, family circumstances, ethnic origin or disabilities. Parents will be given ample opportunity to discuss the admission of their child and senior staff will always be available for parents to discuss their child's needs and development. Children are admitted from birth to school age, according to availability of a place.

Settling-in procedure

The settling-in procedure takes the form of introductory visits of one or two hours, on one or more occasions, depending on the age of the child, to accustom the child to leaving the parent gradually at the same time helping the child to establish preliminary relationships with staff and peers and enabling the parent to discuss any concerns with their child's main carer.

Kinder Club (Harrogate & Ripon 5-11 years)

Once children reach school age we offer an out of school/holiday club service. Full information regarding this is available on request.

Events

Throughout the year different events are celebrated with the children, including festivals from around the world, fundraising for charities and topics organized to involve parents, either directly or indirectly. Regular newsletters will keep you updated on all events and general information about your child's nursery.

Nursery Policies

We have detailed policies and procedures, designed to ensure the safety and well-being of the children at all times, including a comprehensive Health and Safety Policy and Risk Assessment. These are listed in our Parent Handbook and available for parents to read upon request. The nurseries are fully covered by insurance and comply with the National Standards as set by Ofsted, with whom we are registered. Copies of our Ofsted inspection reports are available on request, or can be accessed by visiting their website on www.ofsted.gov.uk.

Funding

Funding from the LEA for those children eligible, aged 3 and 4, is received termly into a funding account held by the nursery and deducted from nursery fees, over the twelve months. Further information is available on request.

Meals

Fees include lunch and tea, as applicable, for all children from 6 months onwards and are prepared daily by our nursery cooks. Dietary needs are catered for, according to individual needs.

Opening times

Harrogate & Ripon: 7.30 - 6.30

Headingley: 7.00 - 6.30

Pudsey: 7.30 - 6.30

Farsley: 7.30 - 6.00

Full details of sessions available can be found on the fee list supplied. Care is provided all year round, with the exception of Bank and Public Holidays when all the nurseries are closed.

HORNBEAM PARK

Kindercare at Hornbeam Park, which opened on 9 September 2002, is the fourth of our nurseries to open in the Harrogate area. With 140 places it is also our largest to date and provides care for children aged 12 weeks to 5 years all year round, exclusive only of Bank and Public Holidays.

The same opening hours and fee structure apply as at our other Harrogate nurseries with food provided for all children from six months upwards. The first of our nurseries to be constructed completely to our specifications, the design ensures maximum space, light and freedom of movement for all.

The ground floor houses those children aged between 12 weeks and 3 years approximately. The pre-school children aged 3 years upwards have their own garden/play area.

The sections on the ground floor are split into several rooms. The Tinies being made up of 4 rooms with nine babies in each, designed to have direct access to their outside play area, with a covered area for prams and pushchairs. Nappy-changing and milk-rooms link the rooms.

The Tweenie children have two large playrooms (24 in each), again with direct access to their own play area.

The playrooms each incorporate a messy area and quiet area, allowing freedom of choice for the children in their daily activities. There is a large toilet/changing area situated between the rooms, ensuring that staffing is monitored at all times.

Completing the lower floor is a handcrafted soft playroom situated at the entrance to the building, incorporating a ball pool and soft play equipment specifically designed to the highest safety standards.

On the upper floor our Starters (pre-school) children benefit from views from three sides of the building. The spacious playrooms again incorporate messy and quiet play, with a separate classroom.

Other facilities of the nursery include a full catering kitchen, laundry room, lift to the upper floor and full security entry system for persons entering the building. The Nursery Manager's office is situated in the reception area of the building and the upper floor houses the suite of offices to incorporate the nursery's Head Office, which moved from our Pannal Ash site in September 2002. The staff facilities make up the space on the upper floor, together with storage space.

To the outside of the nursery are the children's play areas, separated into sections according to the age of the child. All the play areas are made up of Kid Fall (Little Tikes) safer surfacing, with the Starters children having an additional grassed area, which may be shared by the younger ones for picnics etc. We have recently undergone extensive improvements to include all weather activity gazebos, planters, additional sandpits and a willow tunnel.

All the children enjoy extensive outdoor equipment, including fixed activity centres specifically designed for their age group.

Plentiful parking for parents and visitors is at the front of the building, reached by turning right off Hornbeam Park Avenue just after the Park Hotel.

PANNAL ASH ROAD

Situated at the junction with Otley Road, Kindercare at Pannal Ash Road is an 86-place nursery, occupying a large, detached property set in its own grounds. The nursery is divided as follows:

Tinies Section (12 weeks to 18 months)

The Tinies are cared for in a spacious self-contained unit comprising a large playroom, complete with soft play area and including a changing area with washbasin. The unit has a separate cot room and milk kitchen, with an enclosed play area to the rear.

Tweenies Section (18 months to 3 years)

The Tweenies benefit from four spacious rooms: a large activity room, a comfortable quiet room, a creative activity room and a soft play room with built-in ball pool.

Starters Section (3 years to 5 years)

Our Starters section begins the preparation for school with a wide range of activities, following The Early Years Foundation Stage. The section is situated on the upper floor and comprises a large free-play room incorporating book corner and home corner, a classroom for more structured pre-school work, and a creative activity/messy room.

Outdoor Play

All the children have access to the large garden, which is completely secure and set out to lawn and soft surface play areas. We have recently undergone extensive improvements to include all weather activity gazebos, planters, additional sandpits and a natural play den.

CORNWALL ROAD

Kindercare on Cornwall Road is situated in a large, semi-detached house set in extensive grounds overlooking fields at the top end, near to the junction with Harlow Moor Road.

Cornwall Road forms part of the attractive Duchy Road area of Harrogate, being close to the Valley Gardens and the Pine Woods.

Having undergone extensive refurbishment, the nursery cares for children on a full or part-time basis, Monday to Friday, from ages 12 weeks to 5 years.

Within the nursery our Tinies/Toddlers (0 to 24 months) are cared for in bright, spacious rooms, combining stimulating activity areas and sensory/quiet play/sleep room.

Our Tweenies (2 to 3 years) and Starters (3 to 5 years) each have their own playroom, have a shared creative activity room and classroom for the pre-school work.

The grounds of the nursery allow ample space for play, having a large lawned area and special soft-surface area for cars, trikes and ball games. We have recently undergone extensive improvements to include all weather activity gazebos, planters and additional sandpits.

SOUTH DRIVE

Opened in October 1994, Kindercare at South Drive is situated in a large detached house set in its own grounds at the junction of South Drive and Tewit Well Road on the popular south side of Harrogate, being very convenient for Harrogate, Leeds, Bradford and York (the main Wetherby Road just a few minutes drive away).

The location of the Nursery is a quiet residential area close to the Tewit Well Stray and local parks, ideal for short outings. The house is divided as follows:

Tinies Section (12 weeks to 18 months)

Our Tinies children occupy the ground floor of the nursery which comprises three rooms: a cot room (incorporating a changing area) with attractive pine cots, a playroom with a large selection of appropriate toys and activities and a separate dining area with built-in milk room area.

Tweenie Section (18 months to 3 years)/Starters (Pre-School) Section (3 to 5 years)

Our Tweenies and Starters children occupy the first floor of the nursery, each section having its own spacious playroom and sharing a large 'messy' room and quiet room. The children have a large bathroom area complete with small toilets, sinks and changing area. The Starters children also have a large classroom on the ground floor.

The grounds of the nursery allow plenty of space for play, having both lawned area and smooth soft-surface area for cars, trikes and ball games. The grounds are completely secure. We have recently undergone extensive improvements to include all weather activity gazebos, planters, additional sandpits and a willow tunnel.

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Comments From Parents

"I think he misses nursery on his off days."

"Your girls are a credit to your establishment."

"You have made us feel very special."

"I would have no reservation in recommending the nursery."

"Thank you for being so nice."

"Thank you for providing such a warm stimulating environment for the children in your care."

"You have helped develop a lovely, happy and well mannered little girl who has enjoyed every day of her time with you."

"It is unfortunate that that he must grow up and move on."

"It's been a huge relief for me returning to work knowing that my child is so well looked after."

"He is always excited to come in the mornings and even announces "we're home!" as we drive through the gates."

"We could not have wished for a more friendly and caring environment."

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Comments From Ofsted

"The language and literacy programme is a very strong area and a particular strength of the nursery's educational provision."

"Happy, caring and stimulating ethos created by staff."

"All children have a vast selection of toys and activities that are all easily accessible to them."

"The topic based activities are fun and exciting, often following the seasons and nature, and complementing the core curriculum, which offers continuous provision across all areas of learning. Consequently, in this very stimulating environment, the outcomes for children are highly positive."

"Children of all ages build strong relationships with the staff and particularly their key person, who undertakes all of their personal care. Consequently, they are extremely well behaved, happy and confident within the setting."

"The staff have excellent partnerships with the parents of the children and babies and with outside agencies."

"The nutritious and balanced diet provided for the children ensures they are well nourished with healthy meals and snacks."

"The children develop a good understanding of the wider world and community through celebrating festivals."

"Safeguarding children is paramount to all the staff at the setting. Comprehensive policies and procedures are in place to protect the children from harm and neglect."

"The environment is very warm and welcoming with good evidence of children's play and activity."

"Parents are encouraged to be involved with their child's learning, through the sharing of the information."

"A particular strong feature of the physical development provides for children to develop their manipulative skills through use of a good variety of materials."

NURSERY FEES - APRIL 2011

Cornwall Road / Hornbeam Park / Pannal Ash Road / South Drive

Session - part day	Daily Fee
8.00-1.00 / 1.00-6.00	£24.00
7.30-1.00 / 1.00-6.30	£25.00
Session - full day	
8.00-6.00	£38.50
7.30-6.30	£40.50
School/Nursery Transition Service	
11.30/12.00 collection & care (inc. lunch & tea) to 6.00pm	£31.00

Nursery fees are payable monthly in advance and are calculated as follows:

Daily fee x number of days per week x 52 weeks divide 12 months = average monthly fee payable.

Deposit + Registration Fee payable upon booking:

Part-time attendance (3 days and under) - £100.00 + £25.00

Full-time attendance (over 3 days) - £175.00 + £25.00

Discounts (families with more than one child attending on a full time basis 5 days per week) 10% on oldest child

Over-time charges:

£5.00 per hour, or part of, up to 6.30pm

£25.00 per hour, or part of, after 6.30pm plus any expenses incurred by staff having to stay on duty.

Please note that fees cover all children aged between 12 weeks and 5 years. For those children aged over 6 months fees include lunch and tea, as applicable, but not bottle feeds which should be brought to nursery ready made up.

NURSERY PLACEMENT APPLICATION FORM

Name of child _____ Male/Female

Date of birth _____ /**Expected date of birth** _____

Home address _____

Home telephone number _____

Daytime contact number _____

Email address _____

Name of mother _____

Occupation _____

Name of father _____

Occupation _____

Choice of Nursery (please delete as applicable):

Pannal Ash Road/South Drive/Cornwall Road/Hornbeam Park/Ripon

Required date of commencement: _____

Please tick the appropriate sessions required

Sessions	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7.30 - 1.00					
8.00 - 1.00					
1.00 - 6.00					
1.00 - 6.30					
7.30 - 6.30					
8.00 - 6.00					
School/Nursery transition 11.30/12-6.00					
School/Nursery transition 8.00-1.00 (Ripon only)					

Date of application: _____ Signature: _____

Please could you let us know how you heard about Kindercare:

Recommendation Nursery Website

Local Directories Other (please state):
