

Whitley Lodge First School

30 Hours Free Early Education & Childcare Provision for 3 & 4 year olds



Welcome to Whitley Lodge First School

What can we offer?

30 hours of **free provision** for all 3 & 4 year olds who meet the criteria. This consists of **5 morning sessions** (8.45 - 11.45), **lunch** (11.45 - 12.30) and up to **a maximum 4 afternoon sessions** (12.30 - 3.30).

Who is eligible?



You can check if you qualify online @

Childcare Choices | 30 Hours Free Childcare, Tax-Free Childcare and More | Help with Costs | GOV.UK

*N.B Once you have applied and are eligible you will be given an 11 digit code. This code lasts for appox 3 months and you must re-confirm this to continue to access the funding. The code will have a valid from and to date, and a grace period date. You need to send this code and your national insurance number into school by completing a parental declaration form, which gives school written consent to validate your code.

Our Admission Policy

In the event that we are oversubscribed, places will be allocated using the criteria as stated in our Nursery Admissions Policy.

Our 30 hours provision offer

At Whitley Lodge First School you can expect:

- 'Teacher led' 30hrs provision which enables us to deliver the additional 15hrs of free education & childcare as well as the universal 15hrs School Nursery entitlement.
- Friendly, knowledgeable, and nurturing practitioners.
- A safe, secure, warm and welcoming environment in which children are valued and their happiness, independence and enjoyment are fostered.
- Learning experiences which complement the curriculum the children enjoy in School Nursery, supporting the children's physical, social, emotional and intellectual development.
- A play based curriculum that responds to the interests and fascinations of all our young learners and celebrates their uniqueness.
- Opportunities for your child to express themselves and respond imaginatively to experiences using a wide range of materials.
- Daily access to outdoor learning that promotes health and mental well being.
- Multi agency working with a wide range of specialists to support your child's holistic development

Your child will take part in:

- A range of cultural experiences and celebrations
- STEAM activities linked to <u>Play, Be, C: STEM in Early Years NUSTEM</u>
- Beach school activities during our visits to our local beach
- Visits from members of our community *e.g. the fire service, local authors*
- 'Stay & Play' and 'Share a Story' sessions that promote working in partnership with parents/carers.
- *If you have any additional queries please contact*
- Mrs L Kimage @ our school office who will be happy to
- help. info@whitleylodgeschool.org.uk
- Tel: 0191 643 3330

