

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
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