

A typical day in Little Lyndhurst

8 - 8.45am

Children are welcomed into the nursery by the team. Parents and children will be welcomed by a member of our Little Lyndhurst staff at the gate. Free-flow activities are set up both inside and outside so children can settle at their own pace.

8.45 - 9.00am

Nursery and Pre-Reception are separated out for form time, where the children say hello to each other, and their teacher and the register is taken.

9.00 - 9.30am

In both Nursery and Pre-Reception, the children have a Read, Write, Inc phonics session followed by English focussed activities. It is during this time that the children will be completing adult-led activities to develop their fine motor skills.

9.30 - 10.20am

Children will then have the opportunity to engage in child-initiated activities and exploration to follow and develop their interests and critical thinking skills, both inside and outside.

10.20 - 10.40am

The children sit down in their classrooms to have their snack and milk alongside the Early Years staff. This is a lovely informal time where children can chat in a relaxed way whilst eating.

10.40 - 11.00am

In both Nursery and Pre-Reception, the children get to explore our lovely garden and enjoy outdoor play.

11.00 - 11.40am

During this time, the Nursery and Pre-Reception children engage in an adult-led Maths activity and then have time again to engage in their own explorations in the classroom or outdoor environment.

On certain days during the morning session, the children will also take part in an additional activity which is run by a specialist teacher, such as PE, art, music and our outdoor learning class (LEAF).



11.40- 11.50am

Handwashing ready for lunchtime

11.50 - 12.10pm

Children go to the dining room (the Sugden room) to have their cooked lunch.

12.10 - 12.50pm

They can play outside on the large-scale equipment in the play area.

12.50 - 1.00pm

The children make their way back to Little Lyndhurst and wash their hands ready for the afternoon activities.

1.00pm

Home time for the children who only do the morning session and welcome to those children coming in for the afternoon session.

1.00 - 2.30pm

Nursery and Pre-Reception both focus on their specific topic for that week during the afternoon sessions. They will often do a range of different adult led and child led activities. Afternoons are more relaxed as many children, especially the younger ones, are tired from the morning session! On a Thursday afternoon, the children walk to the local park to play on the equipment. This is also a very valuable way of teaching the children about road safety.

2.30 - 2.40pm

This is a favourite activity for lots of the children and the teachers love reading to the children too.

2.40 - 3.00 pm

Story time is followed up by snack time.

3 - 4pm

This is when the children get to enjoy discovery time. The children engage in a variety of self-selected activities, again both inside and outdoors. They can be found in the role play area looking after the babies and making tea or building the most magnificent structures with the construction resources. They love using the creative



area and also enjoy sitting quietly and doing a puzzle with a friend or sharing a book in the book corner.

4.00 - 4.30pm

'Chill-out' time. The children are encouraged to relax during this time after their busy, active day. By this time the children are quite tired and therefore enjoy having stories and sometimes watching some educational programmes.

4.30 - 5.00pm

The children play outside and then wash their hands before heading up to the Sugden room for tea or to the main gate to be picked up at 5.00 pm.

5 – 5.30pm

Those children staying for after school tea head over to the dining room to join the older children who are also staying for tea, and they enjoy a light tea consisting of sandwiches and fruit.

5.30 -6pm

Home time for all the children after a fun and busy day.