

Toddler Philosophy



This is often the first time your child has spent time away from home without you. We want them to feel loved and secure and to be able to build relationships of trust with our staff. This will allow them to feel happy and keen to explore, and join in with new experiences.

They will have the chance to try a range of tactile activities to stimulate their communication skills, problem solving skills, manipulative skills and gross motor skills. Books play a large part in our curriculum and we urge you to share stories, songs and rhymes with your children. Daily music sessions enthuse, calm and develop a sense of rhythm and early language skills.

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Twos' Philosophy



The world is a very exciting place once you're two and we try to reflect that in our classroom by offering hands on learning activities. There are many opportunities to explore, use our imaginations and solve problems independently.

The activities planned reflect many ways in which our children can learn to build healthy relationships with their peers and adults. Learning Opportunities incorporate all the five senses. Children are learning how to keep healthy and safe. Daily music sessions enthuse, calm and develop a sense of rhythm and early language skills. Through purpose-led recess times, our two year old students further develop their self-awareness and gross motor skills.

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Threes' Philosophy



Being three is when academic learning really begins to flourish. In this year we build on the important foundation set by the nurture of the Toddler Class and the experimentation of the Twos. It's a chance to build on self-confidence as your child becomes more independent in their self-help skills.

Through a 'book-enriched' curriculum, your child will develop their literacy and communications skills. They will learn to recognize their name and attempt to write it too. Alphabet skills will be a daily focus – please introduce your child to lower case letters as well as Capital letters. Problem solving will include more concrete applications through recognizing, counting and comparing numbers. Patterning and using shapes are an essential part of a three year old's development. We also want to encourage a growing sense of awe and wonder about our amazing world, in each child. Hands on experiences are essential for this.

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Fours' Philosophy

Our goal with our four year olds, is to provide a steadfast spiritual, emotional and physical foundation to ensure future educational success.

Teaching focuses on using children's individual strengths. By doing this, children find greater confidence to persevere with those areas which they find more challenging.

A curriculum based on books allows the best foundation to develop pre-reading skills and some children may already be reading their first words by the end of the school year. The students participate in daily music, and weekly P.E. and Spanish lessons.

As for the younger age groups, learning in the Fours class is experience based. Brain research proves that neurological pathways in the brain are created and reinforced in young children by active involvement or hands-on learning. At the Ridge Preschool, we base our curriculum on the Developmental Goals for Early Years children. Through experience based learning, we aim to balance children's natural development towards these goals with what is expected by schools for Kindergarten entry. We are available to talk with you throughout the year, regarding your child's development in communication and language, mathematics, their social and emotional skills, their self-management and their physical skills.

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