

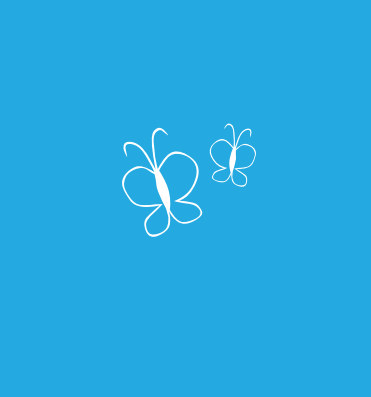
WELCOME



Sunflowers

PRE-SCHOOL

www.sunflowerspreschool.co.uk



Care and education for your child

About us

At Sunflowers Pre-School we aim to create a nurturing, stimulating environment for all children in our care. We focus on child-led play, with carefully planned provision and activities to ensure the children are gaining new experiences to extend and support their learning and development.

The environment is set up to allow the children to explore and investigate at their level and in their own time with highly skilled staff supporting and extending their knowledge.



“
Sunflowers is such a lovely environment and my son has thrived here! He loves everything about Sunflowers and will be sad to leave!
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Learn, develop and play



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At Sunflowers Pre-School we strive for a culture that prioritises trusting relationships and balances high expectations for our children with appropriate support, to ensure all can effectively learn and develop.
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Your child

Staff/Key person approach

We use the key person approach at Sunflowers. You will get information on who your child's key person is and more information on what this means during the first week when they are settling in.

Overview of teaching and learning areas of Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

A plan for each area of the EYFS has been created based upon guidance from 'Birth to 5 matters.'

Children are involved in the planning and shaping of their own learning. Our experienced, skilled staff are guided by their choices when planning for future activities and experiences.

Our floor book is used to record the children's learning as a group. Individual wow walls are used to record children's creations, which could be a painting or a photo of them engaged in play.



“Children feel confident and secure from when they first start at the pre-school. They tackle activities with great ambition and vivid imagination.”



We are proud to be rated a Good provider by OFSTED



We use Tapestry online learning journals to share your child's learning with you and invite you to share their home experiences back to us.

More information is provided on the permission letter that you will receive during the admission process.

If your child is attending Thorley Hill's nursery, you will have a separate Tapestry account for this.



My son has made plenty of progress. Most of all socially. Forging friendships, playing, interacting and his spoken language and articulation. He has developed physically in his agility and is much more confident too.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Opening times

11.50am - 3.00pm
Monday - Friday, Term time only

We are located in the Nursery building of Thorley Hill Primary School and we follow their term dates. For more information please visit our website: www.sunflowerspreschool.co.uk

Fees

Pre-School session: £16.50

Breakfast Club session: £6.50 including breakfast (£5.50 for additional siblings)

After School Club session: £13 including light tea (£11 for additional siblings)

Funding

Through partnership with Thorley Hill School nursery and other providers, we can offer the 30 hours funded childcare. You will need to check if you are eligible for this on the childcare choices website. Please visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk to check your eligibility and further information.

You can also pay for your child's sessions. Invoices are sent out termly in advance.

Timetable

Pre-school afternoon session

The pre-school afternoon sessions we provide offer a seamless transition from the morning nursery of Thorley Hill. This makes the 30 hours funding available between these two separate provisions. If your child does not attend the morning session at Thorley Hill they are still very welcome to join us for the afternoon and can do this from their 3rd birthday.

Our opening hours are 11.50am - 3pm and a typical session looks like this:

- Lunch
- Play and learning time, inside and out
- Snack time
- Carpet time
- Home time



Lunchtime

We all eat lunch together at the beginning of the session so please ensure your child brings in a wipeable named lunchbox with a cool pack inside. The contents must be Nut Free and promote healthy eating as much as possible. There are lots of good ideas on the NHS's Change for Life website.

www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/



Preparing your child for Sunflowers

How can you prepare your child?

To enable your child to access the setting fully, encouraging them to be as independent as possible would be good preparation. Guide them through how to put their own coat on, ensuring they have shoes that they can put on and off themselves and are able to open and close their lunch box.



We support all stages of the toilet training process but recommend that you have started to engage the interest at home with your child first.



Sunflowers is a fantastic setting, providing great care. My daughter loves going and she's learned a great amount. The communication is really good and the kids love it there.



Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)

At Sunflowers we pride ourselves on creating an inclusive environment for our children and families. As we get to know your child we will liaise with you to plan for any early support they may need.

For more information please see our 'Local Offer' on the website below or get in touch with any further questions or concerns.

<https://directory.hertfordshire.gov.uk/Services/4096>

Helpful stuff

What to bring:

- Lunch box
- Water bottle
- Book bag
- Spare clothes bag (Nappies and wipes if required)
- Welly boots
- Waterproof trousers
- Winter: Warm coat, hat and gloves
- Summer: Sunhat, suncream applied before session

Notes

Please make a list of any questions you may have.

Settling in session

Date: Time:

Wrap-around care

We are also able to provide wrap-around care for your child. Please get in touch for more information regarding the out of school clubs at: sunflowers.outofschool@gmail.com



Sunflowers Pre-School and Out of School Clubs

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