



Nursery Prospectus

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About Us



Bombini Tribe Day Nursery is registered on the Early Years Register to provide day care to children aged 2 to 4 years. The nursery is a private nursery partnership and is owned and run by two partners, Sally Ward and Rachel Hussell. Bombini Tribe Day Nursery is an Ofsted registered nursery and offers Government and Local Authority funding for the provision of early education to eligible children aged from 2 years to 4 years. We also offer privately funded places which are subject to parental fees.

The day-to-day running is managed by Sally and Rachel and along with our team of highly skilled Early Years Educators, our tribe works together to provide the best outcomes for the children and their families.

We are situated in the heart of the community in Kennington, Ashford and pride ourselves on maintaining excellent links with the local schools and developing partnerships and friendships within the local community.

The nursery runs during term time, with the holidays usually in line with local schools. We are open from 8:15am to 3:30pm Monday to Thursday. As an Ofsted Registered provider, we offer the Universal Funded Entitlement, Working Families Entitlement and Free for Two's childcare funding under the current Government and Local Authority funding schemes. (Further information about our fees and eligibility for Free Early Education can be found further in the prospectus).

Each day is broken into two sessions, which include times for snacks and lunch time during the afternoon session.

We have a vision!

We at Bombini Tribe Day Nursery have a clear vision – to provide caring and supportive childcare in a fun and rich environment together with a friendly, innovative and professional approach.

We understand the importance of partnerships and strive to create supportive and trusting relationships with our families and the local community. Community is key in what we want to achieve. We strive to continue to make links with our community friends, including the local schools, church, local businesses and other professionals who will help us deliver the best support to our families.

We have a highly skilled leadership team and utilise their wealth of experience and knowledge which has developed over many years to drive our vision and achieve the best outcomes for children and their families.

Our setting aims to provide a homely feel that fosters a calm and relaxed atmosphere to make everyone feel at home. We make the most of the space we have, offering creative, expressive, and explorative play areas along with cosy corners for children to be calm and quiet and play independently if they choose to. We aim for every day to be a productive learning day and offer different experiences for children to explore, along with allowing the children to take the lead in what they want to learn and work with them to provide resources to support their developing skills and interests.





What's in a name?

The Bombini is a tribe of bumble bees that form large nests or social groups and work together as a team for a common outcome.

We felt that this name fitted our ethos perfectly! We support and work together with our families in order to gain the best outcomes for children in their early years, forming a social 'tribe' for everyone to work together for a common outcome. And as an added bonus, we love bees!

What does TRIBE mean to us?

T - Togetherness

Learning together as a community and supporting each other. Embracing our surroundings and people in the community who can help us.

R - Resilience

Being resilient learners and developing problem solving skills. Have a positive sense of self.

I – Independence

Becoming self-reliant and learning to do things for ourselves.

B - Be(e) Friendly

Helping our friends, using kind words and actions. Bee Respectful! 🐝

E - Explorers

Be confident learners and discover own approaches to learning. Be optimistic and patient with our approaches.

Who is Bombini?



Bombini is our little Bee mascot. He lives at the nursery in his hive and just loves to read and go on adventures!

Bombini can often be found making a 'buzzzz' at carpet time as he wants to share a new book with the children.

He loves honey, flowers and his favourite book is The Colour Monster.

Curriculum and Statutory Framework

The Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) sets standards for the learning, development and care of children from birth to 5 years old. As an Ofsted registered nursery, we follow the framework which supports an integrated approach to early learning and care and underpins the child's learning and development experience.



Bombini Tribe Day Nursery follows the Development Matters curriculum guidance in line with the EYFS. At Bombini Tribe we know that children learn best through play and exploration and ensure that children are offered a balance of child-led and adult-guided activities as well as maintaining the balance of achievable and challenging tasks to develop high self-esteem and independence.

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) and Inclusion

We are committed to the inclusion of all children at our nursery and are lucky enough to have an experienced Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCO) within our very own Rachel Hussell. We ensure all children are cared for and educated to develop to their full potential alongside their peers through positive experiences. We enable them to share opportunities and experiences and develop and learn from each other. We provide a positive and welcoming environment where children are supported according to their individual needs, and we work hard to ensure no child is discriminated against or put at a disadvantage as a consequence of their needs. Each child's needs are unique, and we do not attempt to categorise children.

We are committed to working in partnership with parents in order to meet each child's individual needs and develop to their full potential. We are committed to working with any child who has a special educational need and/or disability and making reasonable adjustments to enable every child to make full use of the nursery's facilities. All children have a right to a broad and well-balanced early learning environment.

Food and Meals

We offer healthy snacks and drinks during each daily session.

For those children who attend all day, parents and carers are required to supply a healthy packed lunch (please note that we cannot re-heat food). We also recommend that packed lunch items can be easily accessed by the child as we encourage independence during mealtimes. Please ensure that your child is familiar with their lunch box/bag, and it is clearly labelled.

We do not allow any food items that contain nuts and we do not allow fizzy drinks, squash or fruit juices so please do not include any of these items in your child's packed lunch.

Each child requires a water bottle to drink from throughout the day. Please make sure that your child is familiar with their own water bottle and that it is clearly labelled. We do not recommend that bottles with twist off lids are used. Bottles with integrated straws or sports caps are preferred.

Toileting and Changing Facilities

Children are encouraged to be independent (where they can) when it comes to toileting. We have toddler seats and access steps to help them do this. We also have potties and changing facilities for those in nappies.

We expect parents and carers to supply nappies, wipes and nappy sacks for those children still in nappies and our staff will keep parents informed of nappy changes throughout the day.

Unfortunately, Bombini Tribe Day Nursery is unable to supply nappies, wipes and nappy sacks and so an additional charge for these items may incur if they are not supplied by you.



Clothing

The children do not have a uniform for nursery, but it is recommended that they do not attend in their best outfits! Much of our play involves getting messy, so older clothing is recommended.

We have a very small amount of spare clothes that are the nurseries property, which we will lend to you if need be, however we urge children to have at least two changes of clothes in their bags, including pants, socks and vests. As we are often outside or are maintaining a well-ventilated room, it is also recommended that children wear several layers of clothing to make sure they are warm – it can get chilly in the nursery during the colder months. Items that are loaned to you from the nursery must be returned. If they are not returned, we will need to replace them which will incur an additional cost to you.

Independence is a key skill we foster at Bombini Tribe Day Nursery, and we encourage all children to be able to dress themselves, including putting coats and shoes on and off. So, we recommend that the clothing children wear to nursery, as well as spare items of clothing, are easy to take off and put on. Clothing with lots of buttons or zipped tight fitting trousers can be tricky for a child, so these types of clothing are not recommended. Elasticated waisted clothing which are loose fitting are preferred as they make it easier for children to be independent when toileting.

We are often outside playing in all weathers as well as making regular trips to the local playing field or to the forest school at Downs View Infant School. Therefore we recommend children either wear or leave a pair of wellies at nursery. Wellies are easy for children to be independent with when putting shoes on and off. However, if trainers or shoes are worn to nursery, we recommend they have Velcro fastenings to make it easier for the children. If your child is wearing wellies to the setting, we require you provide a change of shoes or slippers to be worn inside the nursery. Again, these should be easy enough for children to take off and put on themselves and we recommend they have solid soles to them and are fully fitted to their feet – in other words, not flip flop type shoes or oversized slipper boots.

Nursery Policies

Bombini Tribe Day Nursery has a wide range of policies and procedures which ensures the safety of your child and assists with the day to day running of the nursery. Once you have secured your place with us, we will grant you access to our parent pages on our website where you will be able to view a range of our current policies along with other information which may help with the learning and development of your child. If you wish to see a policy that may not be listed on our parent pages, you may make a request in writing to nursery-enquiries@outlook.com and state the reasons why you wish to see them. Please note that we will require a signature from you to ensure you have read and understood any additional policies you have requested to see.

Nursery Fees for Non-Funded Sessions

We offer privately funded spaces for children who are not eligible for funded hours and for additional sessions outside of the funded hours. Private fees are charged by either sessional or hourly rates. Each session runs for a minimum of three hours and we run two sessions per day. Extended sessions are also available. Please contact us for further information and for our current chargeable rates. If you are offered a place, you may be required to pay a refundable deposit to secure the place. (Deposits are refundable at the end of the school year and may be taken off your final bill).



One months' notice in writing is required when your child leaves nursery and your deposit will be deducted from your final month fees. Failure to give one months' notice will result in the loss of your deposit.

Fees will be continually monitored as well as the monitoring of competitors will be carried out to support annual fee and you will be given one months' notice of any changes to our fee structure. This applies to all sessions accessed via privately funded spaces or sessions accessed outside of the currently government funded provision.

Where a child may require one-to-one support, there will be an additional fee for this arrangement. Please contact nursery-enquiries@outlook.com for further information.

All fees are payable irrespective of whether a child attends or not, including holidays or sickness absence. You will not be charged when the nursery is closed for Christmas or Bank Holidays.

Funding Options

As an Ofsted Registered provider, we offer the Universal Funded Entitlement, Working Families Entitlement and Free for Two's childcare funding under the current Government and Local Authority funding schemes. Further information can be found via the local authority website: [KCC Childcare Funding Options](#)

As soon as your registration with us is confirmed and your sessions have been agreed, they will remain the same throughout your time with us. Should you require to decrease your child's regular attendance or if any additional sessions are needed, please provide us with as much notice as possible and we will do our best to accommodate you. On occasion, we may need to change your regular sessions and we will consult with you as to what sessions are available at the earliest opportunity.

We reserve the right to suspend the provision of childcare to your child at any time if you have failed to pay any additional private fees due. Children in receipt of childcare funding will be unable to access any additional fee-paying hours until outstanding fees are settled.

Registering Your Interest with Us

If you are interested in coming to our little nursery, please get in touch. You can find a lot of information on our website, www.bombini-tribe.co.uk, along with our pre-registration form. We are happy to show you around the nursery during our working hours, however this is by appointment only. Please contact us and we will gladly accommodate you.