

## Why Choose us?:

Findings show that children who attend high quality preschool programs are more successful in their lives than those who do not. Being equipped with better socio-emotional skills, superior pre-reading skills, richer vocabularies and stronger basic math skills, such children display **better school readiness** while commencing elementary school.

Since its inception in 1974, Thumbelina's **High Quality Early Childhood Program** has focused on ensuring all-round development in children; something, that is now being stressed on and recognized in the National Education Policy 2020! Here's what makes us the **most admired** preschool:

- Thumbelina is a **child-centric** preschool where **child safety is our TOP priority.** Nothing reassures a mother more than her child being safe and secure with us!
- As nothing in the world inspires children to learn more than the prospect of play, Thumbelina leverages "Play with a Purpose" as its pedagogy and uses developmentally appropriate activities to inspire children to explore, discover and develop a joy for learning in a structured setting with ample opportunity for play amidst a safe and immersive environment.
- In addition to helping our children develop their language, writing and numeracy skills, we strive to build a strong foundation for life by developing their social and emotional skills. This helps our children gain a better sense of self, develop positive attitudes, communicate better, be respectful towards others, build friendships, take initiative, perform tasks independently, become more confident and solve problems themselves instead of asking mummy to step in.
- ➤ Being a Montessori-trained educator possessing 60+ years of experience in Early Childhood Care and Education has enabled Ms. Perin Lalkaka, the founder of Thumbelina, to design and develop her own proprietary E.C.C.E program based on robust developmental evidence to enable children master their foundational skills in a stress-free manner as they progress through each stage of their development. Further, having been conferred the Lifetime Achievement Award by Eklavya Education Foundation in 2009, bears testimony to her contribution in the field of preschool education.
- Educators at Thumbelina undergo 3 years of intensive hands-on 'in-house' training in E.C.C.E. before being entrusted the responsibility of mentoring children. All our educators are calm, courteous, loving and patient with our children; educators who do not yell, cluck their tongues or roll their eyes at children. Our team of dedicated educators have been with Thumbelina for anywhere between 10 to 34 years. It is primarily this aspect which inspires confidence in parents about their children being assured of a positive early childhood care and education experience with us!
- > Thumbelina strictly adheres to the age criteria norms set by the government in true letter and spirit and does not admit under-age children to a higher section.
- Thumbelina is **the only preschool that conducts counseling sessions to guide parents** on elementary school options that caters to the specific needs of their family and provides the best fit for their child.
- We focus on building a foundation for life and develop school readiness in our children. This helps them seamlessly transition into an elementary school.
- It is indeed a matter of great pride to observe our children being welcomed and appreciated by the most reputed elementary schools across the world.

Make the RIGHT CHOICE...
give your child the Thumbelina edge,
...because childhood comes only once!