

Hepworth Playgroup & Pre-school

Where happy little people play and learn

The Village Hall
Towngate
Hepworth.
HD9 1TE



Opening Times

Monday to Friday

Breakfast Club	7.30am – 9.00am
Morning	9:00am – 12:00pm
Afternoon	12.15pm – 3.15pm
All Day	9:00am – 3.15pm



PLAYGROUP AND PRE-SCHOOL: 2-5 YEARS

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Welcome

Welcome to Hepworth Playgroup and Pre-school. We are a charitable organization staffed with highly qualified professional practitioners and run by a committee of parents. We are 'not for profit' with all funds that are raised being used to provide the best quality facilities and care for our children.

Sessions

We offer 3 hour sessions and full day care for children from their 2nd birthday until they attend school. We are able to offer funding for eligible 2 year olds and Nursery Education Funding for all 3 and 4 year old. All sessions include periods of free play, structured activities, story time, snack time and outside time (weather permitting).

The Setting

The setting has dedicated indoor and outdoor space within the Village Hall site in Hepworth. Indoors this enables us to have permanent displays around the free play space plus home corner, book corner and a craft area. We aim to provide a safe and stimulating environment whilst encouraging our children to reach their full potential. We have locks on all doors and gates and carry out thorough risk assessments throughout the day both indoors and outdoors. We also have records of anyone entering and leaving the building. All staff have a current CRB certificate and have all undertaken training in safeguarding. We promote equal opportunities that are inclusive of all using the setting.

We take children from the age of 2 and nappies are changed when required by a fully Qualified member of staff.

We also provide a snack during the session and a drink of milk or water. A list of snack items is on the notice board outside and we ask for a donation of 35p per session to cover snack and any baking activities your child may take part in.

We also have a fantastic outside play area with a 'bouncy concrete' area for safer play and a garden area where the children play out in all weathers. We have splash suits and wellies for everyone and also the use of a covered area. We do not play outside in fog or severe ice/snow.

If you'd like to know more information, please feel free to drop into the playgroup at any time. Alternatively, please give us a ring on 01484 680070.





Education

We are OFSTED registered and therefore teach the children a curriculum according to their age. Their achievements are recorded and given to you in their own personal book when they leave us and the corresponding information is passed on to school to make the transition as easy as possible for your child. Every child deserves the best possible start in life and support to fulfill their potential, providing our children with the foundation to make the most of their abilities and talents and helping them to thrive. The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) helps young children to achieve; Every child deserves the best possible start in life and the support that enables them to fulfill their potential. Children develop quickly in the early years and a child's experiences between birth and age five have a major impact on their future life chances.

The EYFS principles which guide all practitioners in their work are;

- A unique child
- Positive relationships
- Enabling environments
- Learning and development

The knowledge, skills and understanding which children should have acquired by the end of the academic year in which they reach the age of five are grouped together to form the following 7 early learning goals;



PRIME AREAS – Prime areas are fundamental, work together, and move through to support development in all other areas.

PERSONAL, SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL

- Making relationships
- Self- confidence and self- awareness
- Managing feelings and behaviour

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

- Moving and handling
- Health and self-care

COMMUNICATION AND LANGUAGE

- Listening and attention
- Understanding
- Speaking

SPECIFIC AREAS – Specific areas include essential skills and knowledge for children to participate successfully in society.

LITERACY

- Reading
- Writing

MATHEMATICS

- Calculating
- Shape, space and measure

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

- People and communities
- The world
- Technology

EXPRESSIVE ARTS AND DESIGN

- Exploring using media and materials
- Being imaginative

These goals are all equally important to support your child's development, being delivered through planned, purposeful play with a balance of adult-led and child-initiated activities.

We operate a key person system and each child has a designated practitioner who observes them and compiles their individual Record of Achievement file. This consists of written observations, photographs and art work, detailing how they have achieved the early learning goals and reached the various stages of development.

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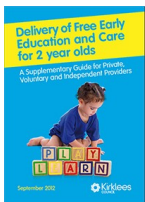
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Funding

All children will be eligible for government funding the term after their third birthday and be entitled to 15 hours nursery education. Alongside this Kirklees offers 10 hours funding for some 2 year olds (to check your

eligibility click the following link)



<http://www.kirklees.gov.uk/community/education-learning/child/providers/nef/SupplementaryGuidefor2YearOldProvision.pdf>

Ofsted report

Our current OFSTED report is available online Please follow the link below to view our current OFSTED report

www.ofsted.gov.uk/schools/for...and.../find-school-inspection-report



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Student Placements

We encourage and value student placements who work with us to gain experience under the supervision at all times of a qualified member of staff.

Chair of Steering Committee

Judith Dixon

Executive Team

Playgroup Manager

Natalie Power

Deputy Manager

Deputy Manager

Early years practitioner

Assistant Early years practitioner

Breakfast club practitioner

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