



About our Nursery

Established in October 2015, Abbot's Hill Nursery is a place for laughter and discovery. The purpose built modern building with high ceilings, windows looking out into the wonderful school grounds and spacious feel, is idyllic for working with children in the early years. As an independent setting, staff who have joined us since our doors opened have enjoyed the freedom to design, plan and implement their ideas for both activities, curriculum and procedures with the support of a knowledgeable and experienced management team.

At Abbot's Hill Nursery, we truly believe that the Early Years are the most important time in a child's life. A time for play, exploration, wonder and awe, for cuddles, songs, getting messy and giggles. Our dedicated team of staff use their expertise to provide outstanding care and education for the children with a firm understanding of a child centred approach. An embedded Key Person system and a loving pedagogy means that the transition from home to setting are handled sensitively with a strong emphasis on building a trusting parent to professional relationship.

The Nursery takes inspiration from a number of childhood theorists and approaches, including Reggio Emilia, Te Wh riki and The Curiosity Approach, enabling us to flex our curriculum to suit the needs of the children in our care whilst keeping the children at the centre of our decisions. The outdoors, often described in Early Years as another classroom, is an important part of our day here at Abbot's Hill. With over 70 acres of grounds, including woodland, tennis courts and climbing equipment as well three dedicated outdoor spaces accessed directly from the classrooms, the children are surrounded by exciting outdoor opportunities. Come rain or shine, nature is there to be discovered – there is nothing more our children like to do but don their wellies and go puddle splashing. In fact, the adults enjoy this too!

What our parents say

"Every morning when we enter the nursery, the happy and energetic faces of the staff give a very warm welcome and it gives us assurance that the day is sorted. They show dedication and create a lovely, fun and warm environment for the children"

"I can't thank the Abbot's Hill team enough. I was dreading the return to work, but seeing my child so happy and well cared for has made the transition so much easier"

"Our daughter looks forward to going into pre-school every day. She can write her name beautifully and brings home wonderful creations! We couldn't be happier with her progress and how the wonderful staff have nurtured her"

What the industry says ...



Our co-educational Day Nursery and Pre-School setting received the highest grading in all areas of the dedicated EYFS framework. The quality of education and the personal development of children were rated extremely highly, with the inspectors commenting that "high quality esources, a challenging investigative curriculum and adults who show a thoughtful understanding of children's development needs, enable children to demonstrate the characteristics of effective learning, constructive behaviour and positive relationships".







We were voted in the Top 20 Nurseries in the East of England by parents for three years running.





Come and work with us ...

Current positions:

Early Years Practitioners Level 2 and 3



We are looking for hard-working team members who will bring creativity, humour and warmth to our nursery.

To view full details of all current positions, along with information on salary's and benefits, please visit: www.abbotshill.herts.sch.uk/about-abbots-hill/job-opportunities/nursery-vacancies/

Why wouldn't you ...?



In return for your hard work, the excellent benefits we offer are:

- Free lunch provided all year around including catering for dietary requirements.
- · 33 days holiday per year
- Additional 'Wellbeing Day' to be taken at any point in the year.
- · Uniform provided including branded t-shirts, a fleece and a coat.
- Nursery closure between Christmas and New Year, including Christmas Eve.
- Tea, coffee, biscuits and fruit provided in the staff room.
- Discount platform giving discounts from high street brands, supermarkets, gym membership and many others.
- Healthcare plan with coverage for partner and child. Including dentist, opticians, chiropractor, physio and private prescriptions.
- · Reimbursement for the flu jab.
- Training week once per year for Nursery staff, including a fun day out.
- Access to school INSET programme including high profile speakers.
- · Free onsite parking in an allocated area.
- Regular staff room treats
- Free staff planner
- Learning journals completed on an online platform no laborious cutting and sticking out for paper journals!
- Professional development opportunities and access to training to suit your needs.
- Sick pay following a qualifying period (manager's discretion until that point)
- Overtime paid at a higher hourly rate.





Thank you for considering joining our team!



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