

Cleobury Gateway Nursery

Where happy children play, learn and grow

'Creating an environment where everyone develops an enquiring mind and a love for learning'

Vision Statement

Here at Cleobury Gateway Nursery, we aim to:

- Be a safe, happy place where everyone is known and valued, and where needs are acknowledged, accepted and met.
- Encourage each child to be independent, to develop a sense of responsibility for themselves and respect for others and the environment.
- Provide a stimulating environment with a range of activities.
- To develop a "can do" attitude that will stay with a child for life.
- To develop a child's self esteem.
- To value and incorporate all aspects of children's lives, building a strong partnership with community and future schools.
- Ensure that all children make good progress.

Aims

At Cleobury Gateway Nursery, we believe that each child is unique and should be treated as an individual regardless of gender, race, ability, culture, religion and special needs. Our primary focus is to provide education of the highest quality for both local families and those from a wider area; we intend to do this by:

- Creating a happy, secure environment that is child-centred, stimulating and safe.
- Establishing a partnership with parents, supporting them and acknowledging them as the primary carers and educators of their children.
- A highly skilled and passionate staff team who are dedicated to delivering a specially tailored curriculum designed to meet the individual needs of every child.
- An environment and experiences which follow the principles of The Early Years Foundation stage curriculum which focuses on learning through play and exploration both indoors and outdoors.
- Individual attention made possible by a high ratio of adults to children.
- The support of a personal key worker.
- Planning experiences in the nursery that are fun, dynamic and appropriate to the individual children.

Curriculum, Planning and Assessment

The EYFS curriculum is based around seven areas of learning and development. We concentrate on three Prime Areas:

- Communication and Language
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Physical Development

These areas cover the knowledge and skills required to form the foundations of formal learning. The Prime Areas develop through effective relationships and experiences, supporting learning in all other areas and remain fundamental throughout the EYFS.

The four Specific Areas of learning and development grow from the Prime Areas and provide important opportunities for extending knowledge:

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design

At Cleobury Gateway Nursery we use regular observations of children as they play, learn and socialise to highlight their current interests and learning. These observations inform our planning and help us to track their progress as well as identify any specific needs. Planning is displayed inside the classroom, keeping parents informed and providing talking points or home learning ideas.