



Dear Parents

Welcome to Hargrave Park School
Under 3's Provision.

This will be one of your child's first
adventures without you and
because of this important first step,
we continuously ensure we offer an
outstanding early years education.

The indoor and outdoor spaces are
carefully organised for each age
group.

Adults provide very caring and
stimulating environments where all
children thrive and have fun!

Best Wishes

Lisa Horton
Head of Under 3's Provision



6 Months to 3 Years
Open 49 Weeks of the
Year

The Importance of Outdoor Play

Daily access to our age appropriate outdoor space is a fundamental part of the routine across all age groups.

Children gain an understanding of the natural world around them and develop physical, imaginative and social skills.

Nutrition Matters

We have a dedicated on-site Chef who prepares the children's meals.

Using fresh produce, locally sourced where possible, our menu provides a tempting variety of dishes.

We cater for our youngest children's weaning needs through to those on full diets and cater for dietary requirements.

The importance of healthy eating is a core principle of our setting and we work alongside nutritionists to develop our balanced menu.

Our menus can be found online at hargravepark.com



*Children's behaviour is
exemplary.*
Ofsted report, January 2018

*Teaching is of an exceptionally high standard.
Staff present activities in exciting and interesting
ways that challenge children's thinking.*

Ofsted report, January 2018



Learning Through Play

Our rooms and gardens are resourced to provide opportunities for every child to grow and develop.

Each child's learning experience with us is unique and our highly trained staff are there to nurture and support your child.

Bespoke planning incorporates your child's interests and supports their development across the 3 prime and 4 specific areas of learning.

Activities are both age and stage appropriate and follow the EYFS principles.

Weekly activities can include cooking, art, ICT, messy play and music as well as literacy and numeracy.

From those first steps to supporting your child's transition to school, we work in partnership with you throughout your family's journey with us.



Learning Journeys

We use state-of-the-art digital Learning Journeys to record and extend your child's learning and development. Narrative observations are supported by images of your child engaging in a variety of activities each week. A fully secure system allows you access to these observations on any computer or tablet outside of the nursery. The Learning Journey allows you to monitor progress and add your own observations about your child at home. You will also receive daily feedback by staff when you collect your child.

Children of all ages build close bonds with staff and demonstrate that they feel happy and secure within the setting.

Ofsted report, January 2018



The Key Person

When you join us, both you and your child will be allocated a key person.

The key person is there to support your transition into our setting and to support your child's ongoing learning and development needs.

Attendance Expectations

We believe that regular attendance and good punctuality help children settle-in the routine and the group smoothly.

We expect all children to be on time every day. No children will be admitted into the Under 3's Provision after 10 am (except for appointments, which must be reported to the office in advance).

Children of all ages become highly independent in managing their own personal care.

Ofsted report, January 2018



Home School Links

The key workers will invite you for termly parent meetings to discuss your child's development. You will receive a report prior to the meeting, with next steps to follow at home. They will also do daily planning for your child – displayed at the board in the rooms.

Encouraging Independence

We encourage children to do everything by themselves! For this, we will ask you to bring easy clothes to dress and undress (especially during potty training), shoes with velcro, and lots of spare clothes! (washing hands is always a favourite). We will also encourage children to serve their own food, pour their own water, and to eat and drink independently. Please follow this at home too.



Keeping you updated through:



- A fortnightly newsletter produced for families.
- Groupcall Xpressions and the Hargrave Park School apps.
- Piota app
- Noticeboards around the school.
- Regular updates on Tapestry. You can also add the exciting things you do at home onto Tapestry so that we can share these together in the rooms.

Finance/ Admin

Under 3's Provision charges (if applicable) are payable weekly or monthly in advance. Do not forget to clearly state your child's name in reference.