

**Filleigh Pre-School** is part of our friendly foundation stage unit.

We pride ourselves on knowing our children well and building exciting learning opportunities to match their interests and needs.

We are delighted to offer a fun and stimulating environment for children who have had their third birthday.



### Daily Routine

We offer morning and afternoon sessions. Upon your arrival (9am / 12noon) you will be greeted by Mrs Swann and Mrs Barnby. The children are invited to join a play-based curriculum.

Children are collected at 12 noon or 3.30pm.



### Curriculum & Assessment

Whilst in pre-School the children are following the Early years Foundation Stage Curriculum.

There are 7 areas of learning and 3 key characteristics of effective learning. The seven areas of learning are split into 3 prime areas and 4 specific areas.

The three prime areas are:

- ❖ Personal, social and emotional development - 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.

The four specific areas are:

- ❖ Literacy - Reading, Writing
- ❖ Mathematics - Numbers, Shape, Space and measure
- ❖ Understanding the World - People and communities, The world, Technology
- ❖ Expressive Arts & Design - Exploring and using media and materials, Being imaginative.

The three Characteristics of Effective Learning (CoEL) are:

- ❖ Playing and Exploring - engagement
- ❖ Active Learning - motivation
- ❖ Creating and Thinking Critically - thinking

The curriculum is planned in a very practical way and is based around the children's interests which makes it relevant and meaningful. Children in the EYFS learn by creative and critical thinking, by playing, exploring & being active - both indoors and outside.

Assessments are made throughout the year and are based on observations and knowledge of the whole child. We value your input into these, as you will obviously see so much that we would like to share.

**Our Foundation Stage** have their own classroom, including our own outdoor area. Part of this is shared with Key stage 1 to support strong transition. We also share access to our school garden, Forest school area, our school field, our library and ICT resources.



### What your child needs

- Comfortable clothing. This can be 'Home Clothes' or school uniform: grey trousers/skirt, navy/white t-shirt, navy sweatshirt/cardigan (embroidery optional) black school shoes. In summertime grey/black shorts or blue and white gingham dress.
- A water bottle with your child's name printed on please.
- A spare change of clothes.
- Weather appropriate, sun cream, coat, wellie boots.

