



Ormiston Cliff Park NURSERY

Nursery Information





Thank you

Thank you for your interest in Ormiston Cliff Park Nursery. We are part of Ormiston Cliff Park Primary Academy (OCPA), and our new provision will open in January 2025.

We know that choosing your child's nursery is a very important decision and hope that the following information will be interesting and informative and will help you in making the right choice for your child. Our Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) provides an environment which is safe, welcoming, and stimulating and where children's educational learning journey begins. Our nursery team create a firm foundation for learning by promoting curiosity and discovery within our brand-new setting.

At Ormiston Cliff Park Nursery, we offer provision for children starting from the term after their third birthday. We understand that starting nursery can be a time of mixed emotions. We want you to feel happy and confident when leaving your child in our care.

We are very proud of our nursery and are always happy to show families around. If you would like to visit us or have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call our school office on **01493 661523** or email **office@ocpa.co.uk**.



Nursery session times

Session times

Morning sessions run from 8:30am – 11:30am

Afternoon sessions take place between 12:00pm – 3:00pm.

Full day sessions are between 8:30am and 3:00pm. Please note that there is a small additional charge for the lunchtime period if you choose this option. Children may bring a packed lunch or, at an additional cost, you may order a school lunch for your child. Prices for additional lunchtime cover and school meals are available on our website.

Our aim is to make our sessions as flexible as possible for parents and carers. Where possible, we prefer children attending for am or pm sessions to keep to a consistent session across the week but, subject to availability, it may be possible for your child to attend for some full days and some half day sessions.





Funded hours

The term after your child turns 3, they are entitled to 15 hours of funded education (five, three-hour sessions). Some children are entitled to 30 hours of funded education (up to 10 three-hour sessions) You can choose whether to take your funded sessions as half days or full days.

Charged sessions

Subject to availability, you can choose to pay for additional sessions above the funded 15 hours. Pricing information is available via the academy office or the school/nursery website.

Payment vouchers

You can check your eligibility for 30 hours funding by visiting 'Check you're eligible for free childcare if you're working' - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

The nursery sessions for your child are agreed at the start of the term. The funding we claim on their behalf is then claimed for the term. Subject to availability, any additional sessions throughout the term would need to be paid separately.





Our nursery team

The nursery is overseen by our Early Years Leader, Mrs Carter, and run by our nursery staff team who are qualified and experienced in working in early years.

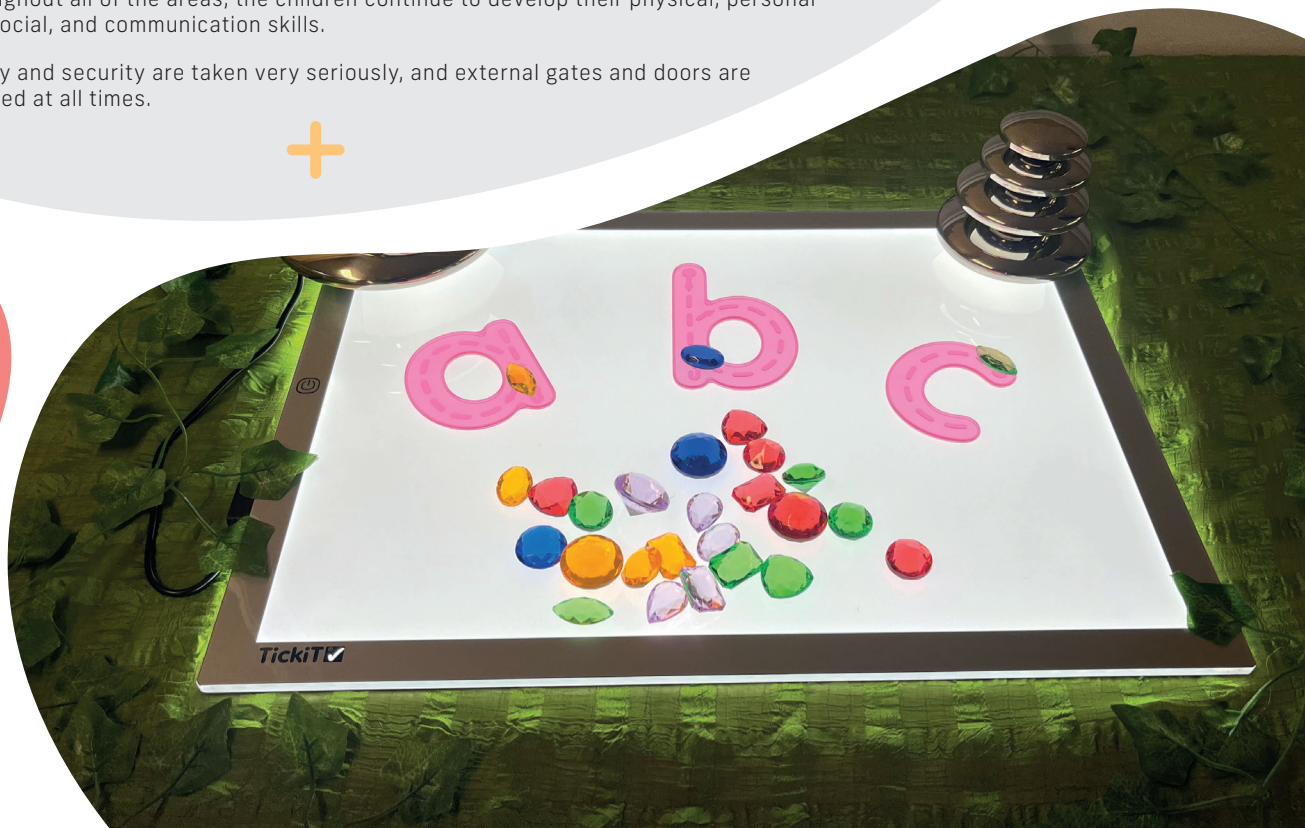
The learning environment

Children learn inside and outdoors. Our learning environments are laid out in separate areas to encourage a variety of learning opportunities. These areas for role-play, investigation, small world play, messy play, writing, sand/water play, creative, construction areas and many more. We also have mark making tools and books everywhere throughout the environment.

We provide lots of opportunities for children to continue their learning through play in the outdoor area. We have a mud kitchen, climbing area, small world and other outdoor learning toys. During the session, children have time to free flow between indoor and outdoor environments.

Throughout all of the areas, the children continue to develop their physical, personal and social, and communication skills.

Safety and security are taken very seriously, and external gates and doors are secured at all times.





The curriculum

We follow the EYFS Development Matters Curriculum. In all our planning, we encourage children to develop their learning skills and to learn through:

Active learning

- Being involved and concentrating
- Keeping trying
- Enjoying achieving what they set out to do



Creating and thinking critically

- Having their own ideas
- Making links
- Choosing ways to do things



Playing and exploring

- Finding out and exploring
- Playing with what they know
- Being willing to 'have a go'

These are known as the characteristics of learning. There are seven areas of learning and development that shape the curriculum:

- Communication and language
- Personal, social and emotional development
- Physical development
- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the world
- Expressive arts and design

The daily routine

The morning session runs from 8:30 – 11:30am. The afternoon session is 12:00 – 3:00pm. Those staying for the full session will attend from 8:30 – 3:00pm with an 11:30am – 12:00 lunchtime.

- Children enter the nursery and hang their coats and bags on their pegs.
- Then they have time to explore indoors. The nursery is set up to enable children to be independent in their play. They choose toys and resources to get out and then put them away afterwards.
- Next, we have a short carpet time together where we sit as a whole class to welcome each other, sing songs, listen to a story or complete a short learning activity together.
- Outdoor and indoor environments are then open for children to choose where to play. During this time children will take it in turns to have a fruit snack and complete adult led activities linked to the EYFS curriculum.
- Next it is 'tidy up time' before we have a short carpet session and story. This will then be 'home time' for the children doing half sessions or 'lunch time' after the morning session for those staying all day.

We will ask you to name specific people who you give permission to collect your child. If you need someone different to be able to collect your child on any occasion, please call the academy office on 01493 661523.

Snack time

We provide a variety of fruit and vegetable snacks for the children every day, the children then independently wash their plates and cups.





Independence

We support children to become independent learners at Ormiston Cliff Park Nursery, by encouraging the children to do things for themselves. In preparation for nursery, you could encourage your child to do more things by themselves at home. During the sessions we encourage children to

- Tidy up their toys and the nursery
- Put on their own coats, shoes and aprons. If a little help is needed, they can ask an adult or a friend.
- Be independent when going to the toilet. Our purpose-built toilets and washbasins are child height, making toilet visits much easier. If your child is experiencing any difficulties with toilet training, you can talk to the nursery staff, who will be happy to support your child.



Uniform

Our nursery children wear a school uniform. At Cliff Park, we believe that wearing our uniform is one of the important ways that we show that we are a proud community of learners. The uniform is very similar our EYFS/ KS1 uniform but has been slightly adapted to ensure that it is practical and comfortable for our youngest pupils.

Our uniform consists of:

- White polo shirt
- School jumper with our academy logo
- Black or grey trousers/leggings/joggers. Black or grey dresses or skirts may be worn instead if preferred.
- Black footwear which is suitable for climbing and playing. Velcro fasteners help to support children's independence. We spend lots of time outside so children need warm coats and a hat in the winter and sun hats in the summer.

Our nursery uniform is available from Harrisons on Southtown Road or Screens in Lowestoft.

We recommend leaving a change of clothes at nursery just in case they have an accident or get wet during their play. It is important to clearly label all items of clothing as it makes it easier for staff to identify items and send them home again.





Our vision at Cliff Park

Anchored in excellence

Our aim is to create a learning community where learning for all is fun, to develop a culture and environment of challenge, where achievement, at all levels, is valued and celebrated. We believe in creating a safe, happy and healthy environment where children can feel positive about themselves and the school. Everyone is encouraged to value and respect one another and the environment. Through our broad, balanced and creative curriculum we ensure high standards of teaching and learning that enable all pupils to reach their full potential.

We are committed to providing teaching and learning experiences that are enjoyable, challenging and relevant to the needs of each individual child.

Pupils have opportunities to learn independently and to develop their own creative ideas, and celebrating success is essential to our school family. Indeed, we seek to recognise and celebrate all successes (both inside and outside of school).

We are a values-led organisation, and it is our aim that we continually challenge ourselves to adhere to the spirit of the Ormiston Academies Trust values.





Our sponsor

As a proud member of Ormiston Academies Trust (OAT), we actively support and promote their core vision and mission.

OAT vision

Our vision is a school system in which every child can thrive.

OAT mission

Our mission is to ensure that every child has excellent learning opportunities, inside and outside of the classroom, which enrich their lives and afford them choice and opportunity in the future.

OAT values

1. Ambition
2. Perseverance
3. Learning
4. Inclusion
5. Collaboration






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