



School Address:

Fitzhugh Community Clubroom, Fitzhugh Grove,
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School Times:

9.20am – 12.20pm — Chicks
9.30am – 12.30pm — Fledglings
Early Birds from 9.00am
Lunch Club 12.30pm – 1.15pm

Afternoon School:

12.30pm – 3.15pm — Monday to Thursday

Terms:

There are three school terms, each with a half-term break.

Ages:

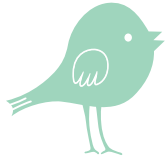
2 to rising 5.



345 Nursery School

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The principle aim of 345 is to ensure that each child leaves with a sense of independence, self-confidence and a desire to learn.

These early years, between two and a half and five, are critical, the pace of development is rapid, and the foundations for learning are being laid for the future.

345 has a safe, happy, atmosphere in which children can explore and discover learning is fun. The children have the chance to experience both structured and free play and to develop at their own pace. Throughout their day, whether at play, involved in art and craft or any other activity, they will be learning a variety of social and communicative skills – sharing and caring for others, expressing their opinions, coping with their emotions, natural inquisitiveness and growing awareness of all around them.

The 345 building is light, airy and always warm. We have good kitchen facilities and a large outside area which is used to for learning in the outdoor environment, games and gardening.

Our curriculum is as broad as possible offering the children a taste of innumerable experiences whilst covering the six areas of the Early Years Foundation Stage. We organise topics which reflect the children's interests. The topics run for one or two weeks and we base our focused learning activities and daily art and craft activities around them. The children's results are always on view all around the school and they take great pride in showing everyone what they have produced.

We place great importance on all forms of music and have music every day, whether singing, action songs, band or music and movement. We feel this helps children to develop a sense of rhythm and also improves their co-ordination together with all the other physical activities we do both indoors and outside.

In addition to music we have specialist teachers in musical movement, sports and French.



The entire school performs a musical Nativity Play at Christmas, a Sports Day in the summer. We also invite a variety of local people to visit 345 during the school year, for example, the police, the fire brigade, a nurse, a doctor and various musicians. We also arrange trips to Ladyland Farm, the theatre, art galleries and museums as valuable extensions to our topics.

Children may, if they wish, stay for an extended day on four afternoons a week. They bring a packed lunch and have drama, craft, cookery, games and musical movement sessions.

Our teachers are trained whether as full primary teachers, or with Montessori, Norland or Early Years qualifications, and we have additional helpers to ensure we maintain a high ratio of teachers to children.

We like to keep in very close contact with parents throughout the time their children are with us. We have a school/home link book, termly newsletters and a PTA. Parent/teacher evenings are organised in the Autumn and Spring terms and written reports at the end of the Summer term.

We operate an open door policy and are always available to discuss any aspect of a child's development. We strongly believe that school plays only one part in this and that we are here to help the children, in partnership with the parents, in any way we can, to reach their highest potential by the time they leave us.

We have excellent relationships with all the primary schools in the area. Annabel has considerable experience and knowledge of the process and options available to children and is always happy to assist parents in making the important choice of where to send their children after 345.

We hope this gives you an insight into life at 345, but do please come and see for yourself. We very much look forward to having your children here with us at 345.

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