



Abacus@Meadowbrook

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Welcome to Abacus Pre-school

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We have compiled a brief overview a typical day your child will have during their time with Abacus Pre-school, please share this with your child to help them familiarise with the setting and activities they may wish to participate in, encouraging their confidence and communication. Children are often reluctant to relay information about their day and friends, so this will also provide our parents and carers some ideas of our Abacus routines. This should be used as guide only, as everyday differs with a wide variety of experiences planned around the children's interests.

If English is your child's second language, please initially support your child's home language and repeat in English, we also use Makaton and visual and verbal aids to support all children in settling in to our setting!



Our setting

We offer a range of activities to support all children's play and learning, offering space and areas to build, construct, listen, talk, engage, make marks, complete and observe! Staff are always around to support children's social and emotional and learning through play opportunities!

Amanda Lacey
Manager/SENDSCO
Safeguarding Lead
Curriculum Lead
First Aid Trained
Behaviour Management



Key worker Statement

I am Level 5 qualified Early Years Practitioner, I have over 25 years experience of working with children of all ages, primarily with the age ranges of The Early Years Foundation Stage. I have worked for Abacus for over 10 years and thoroughly enjoy every aspect within my role especially supporting children to learn through play, developing and extending interests and enhancing play and learning opportunities! I ensure our children are highly supported through out their early education and passionate to ensure Every Child Matters.

I have 3 children of my own, who keep me very busy at home, I enjoy family walks, time with friends and family and developing my skills to support my best practice.

I am very much looking forward to being your child's key worker and supporting their progress within the EYFS

Charlotte Holcombe
Qualified Assistant
First Aid Trained

Key worker statement

I am a Level 3 Qualified Early Years Practitioner, I have over 5 years experience of working within Early Years. I enjoy my role of practitioner and as a key worker supporting children to learn and develop through play, developing their interests and and enhancing their play opportunities.

I am very much looking forward to being your child's key worker and helping them to progress through the EYFS.



Charlotte Rowlands
Assistant
First Aid Trained

Key worker statement

I am currently completing my Level 3 Early Years Educator qualification. I have 3 amazing daughters who are my pride and joy. I'm very much looking forward to meeting our new children and supporting all of my key children through their early years journey!



Nicky Agar

Assistant
First Aid Trained

Key worker statement

I currently hold a Level 2 Award for Support Work
in Schools

I have worked for Abacus for over a year now and
have had experience of 3 settings.

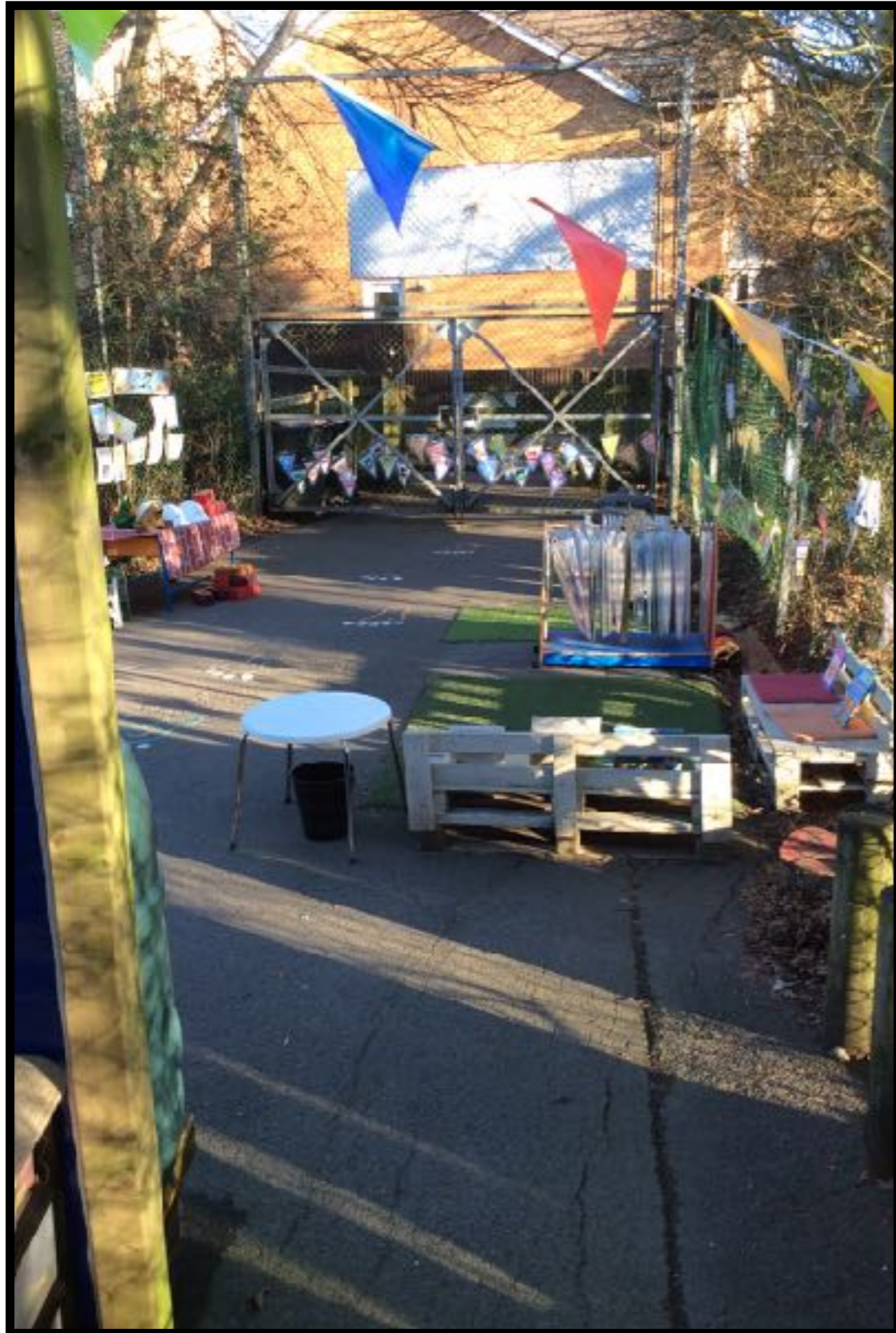
I have 2 sons age 11 and 13 .

I am looking forward to getting to know your child
and supporting your child's learning and
development through play opportunities.

I am very much looking forward to working closely
with parents and families too.



Our Garden, we also have access to the main school field, hall and Forest School Area



Exploring and Creating



We like to get messy!



Come join our fun learning and play

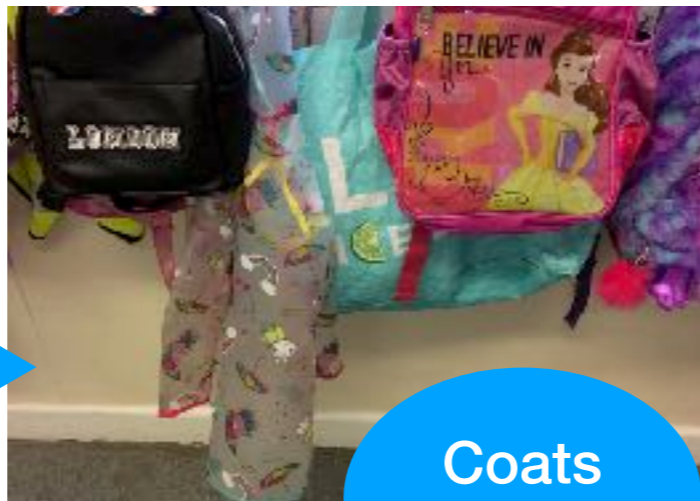
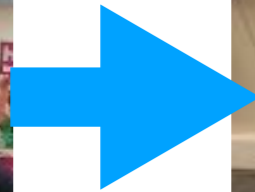


Daily Time Table

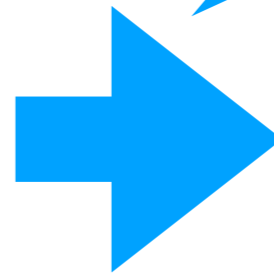
Please see a rough guide of our daily timetable, this is subject to change as we have hall time, outside events and celebrations!

- **8.30am Early Starts Arrive**
- **9.00am Children arrive, Go Noodles and Registration**
- **9.15am Free Flow Play**
- **10.00am Snack Time**
- **10.30am Carpet Time/ Small Group**
- **10.45am Outside Play**
- **11.30am Rhyme/Songs**
- **11.45am Lunch Time**
- **12.15 pm Tidy Up Time**
- **12.30 pm Children attending am session go home/ pm children enter Registration**
- **12.45pm Show and tell/ Free Flow Play**
- **1.30pm Snack and Story**
- **2.00pm Outside Play**
- **2.45pm Ready for home**
- **3.00pm Home time for some**
- **3.30pm Home time/ pre-school closes**

Welcome



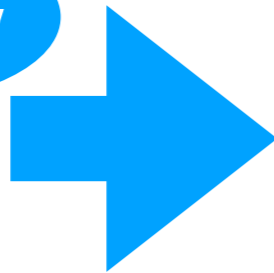
Coats and bags



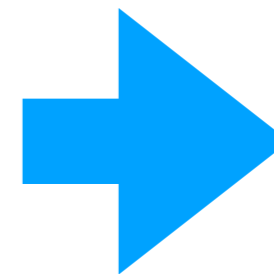
Registration



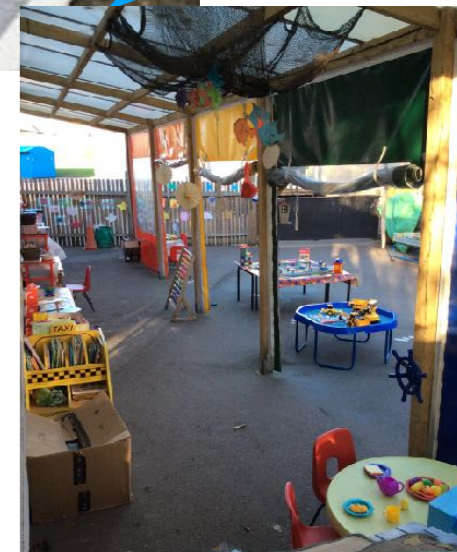
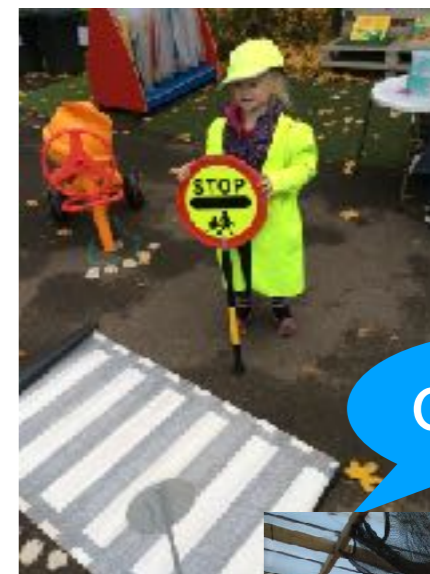
Freeflow



Snack time

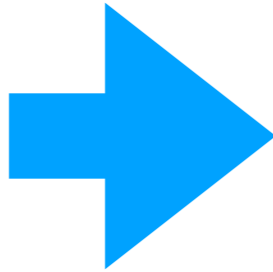


Garden

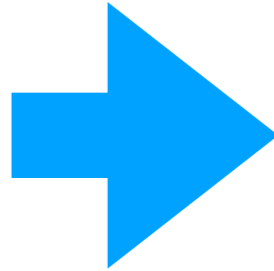




Lunch time



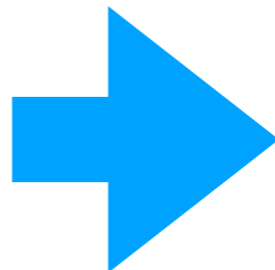
Story Time



Home time



Free flow



Garden fun before home

Further Information

- Prior to your child starting you will be sent an email link to access our online journal 'Tapestry'. A 'How to use guide' is available in the documents. You will be able to set a password and add the information in the section 'All about me' allowing us to become familiar with your child's abilities, interests like and dislikes etc.
- We record observations of our children using an online website called Tapestry, allowing us to upload photographs, videos and written observations about your child's learning and play throughout our session. Your child will be allocated a key worker who will work closely with your child throughout their time, there will be opportunities to meet with your child's key worker throughout the year at Parent Consultations and we also have an 'Open Door Policy' where you can arrange to meet with your child's key worker/ manager SENDCO.
- Your child will be observed once every term with a recording of a long observation, taken from your child's interests we will plan 'next steps' for your child the following week taking into account your 'child's voice and we will also provide guidance for you to complete an activity at home to further extend their interests, learning and development! An email notification will be sent advise an observation has been added, please also feel free to add your own photographs and videos, we love to see what the children are doing at home!
- Please also explore our website www.abacuspreschool.co.uk , and our **Facebook** Page for daily updates and pictures!
- We hold regular stay and play sessions for parents and carers to join us, celebrating all we possibly can together! There will be opportunities to create crafts, observe and engage play and join in our play and learning, look out for these using our sign up sheets to register your interests.
- We regularly add diary dates, newsletters, information and guidance to our website and Tapestry (Document tab),we use a text messaging service to send information and reminders and can be contacted by telephone or email.Our contact details are as follows **Telephone: 01454 867285/07712398105 Email : abacusmbk@gmail.com**
- We have regular outside visitors, police, dentists, RNLI to enhance the children's learning opportunities and explore our outside environment visiting Tesco to do 'our shopping' and the library for 'Rhyme Time'. We also offer Forest School sessions subject to availability within the grounds of Meadowbrook Primary.
- We are lucky enough to have allocated hall and library time within Meadowbrook Primary School weekly and we regularly meet the Reception class and teachers for celebrations and to further explore new and fun learning and play opportunities!
- We work with the main schools within Bradley Stoke, devising and planning documents and guidance for parents and carers of our children. So far we have provided families with a 'Road to School' document, an information leaflet to support children Physical Skills and Rhyming opportunities. We held a Bears Picnic with the Early Years Team locally inviting children throughout Bradley Stoke, completing crafts and storytelling! We also provided each pre-schools and Reception class with a set of books to support and encourage development in Literacy skills.