

Welcome to Liskeard School Nursery!



"Achieving More Together"

"The nursery is committed to providing children and their families with high-quality early years experiences, children become enthusiastic and motivated learners and have a strong sense of belonging" *Ofsted*, 2018.

The best start to your child's education can be provided by our highly qualified and skilled professionals at Liskeard School Nursery.

## Meet the Team



#### Rachel Sharman, Nursery Manager

FdA Early Childhood Studies Designated Safeguarding Lead SENDCo Lead Child Protection Officer (Level 3) Paediatric First Aid Trained



#### Sarah Parry, Deputy Manager

BaHons Professional Practice, Early Years BSI Level 2 Deputy Child Protection Officer Paediatric First Aid Trained



#### Lisa Rendall, Rainbow Room 0 – 2 Supervisor

NVQ Level 3 Children's Learning and Development SENDCo Child Protection Officer Paediatric First Aid Trained



#### Sophie Rogers, Starlight Room 2 – 3 Practitioner

NVQ Level 3 Children and Young People's Workforce Tier 2 Safeguarding Paediatric First Aid Trained



### **Chloe Tuson**

Level 3 Children's Learning and Development PFA Trained Level 2 Safeguarding



### **Courtney Sobey**

TQUK Level 3 Diploma for the Children's Workforce (Early Years Educator RQF) Paediatric First Aid Trained Level 2 Safeguarding



## Oreo, Starlight Room 2 – 3 Helper

Loves being outside and eating lots of fresh vegetables.



### Blue, Starlight Room 2 – 3 Helper

Loves being with his brother, Oreo and eating lots of lettuce and hay.

## Welcome to Dobwalls School Nursery!

Welcome to Liskeard School Nursery, a long-established nursery located within the grounds of Liskeard School and Community College. We pride ourselves on being a small, friendly and caring nursery which strives to achieve the very best start for all children in their early education.

We are located securely within the centre grounds of the secondary school, enabling us to provide our children with not only quality care but maintaining a high level of security and safety within gated intercom doors.

Our nursery practitioners plan two-weekly, according to each child's interests, next steps and upcoming celebrations or events. Any interests that your child displays during their attendance will be added to our planning and implemented into our daily play.

When you come to visit us, you will immediately experience our unique and home-from-home atmosphere, providing a safe and caring environment for all children.







In addition to our large nursery garden, we have outdoor areas within the school grounds which we explore, along with use of the dance studio and music facilities. We can therefore provide each child with learning opportunities which help them to learn, grow and – most importantly - have develop the confidence to enjoy their explorative skills in a safe, enabling environment.







# Government funding and Support



Funding and support available:

You can get up to  $\pm 500$  every 3 months (up to  $\pm 2,000$  a year) for each of your children to help with the costs of childcare. This goes up to  $\pm 1,000$  every 3 months if a child is disabled (up to  $\pm 4,000$  a year).

If you get Tax-Free Childcare, you'll set up an online childcare account for your child. For every  $\pounds 8$  you pay into this account, the government will pay in  $\pounds 2$  to use to pay your provider.

You can get Tax-Free Childcare at the same time as 30 hours free childcare if you're eligible for both.

Your eligibility depends on:

- if you are working
- your income (and your partner's income, if you have one)
- your child's age and circumstances
- your immigration status

For full information and details on how to apply can be found at: https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare







# A Little More About Us ...

Settling in Sessions

We believe it is extremely beneficial for your child and you to book in weekly sessions of 'stay and play'. This will allow us to get to know one another and provide the best possible start to your child's new journey. This time will ensure we are able to create strong positive relationships with one another, making your child's new journey as positive and enriching as we can. Our settling in sessions are free of charge to allow as much time as needed to ensure your child feels safe and confident when they start their full sessions.

### Birth to Five Matters

The nursery currently follows the Birth to Five Matters document. This is written in the context of the world that your child is growing up in. For example, the guidance includes sections about the positive use of technology, sustainability, equality and inclusion. Following the COVID-19 pandemic, many parents are concerned about their children's emotional wellbeing and mental health. Birth to Five Matters has an important section which focuses on nurturing care and complements our ethos of forming close bonds with the children in our care.

Key Worker System:

At Liskeard School Nursery, we allocate a key worker to each child to help them feel as safe and comfortable as they would at home. Your child's key worker ensures your child's needs are met to the highest possible standard. They will carry out termly observations, progress reports, planned activities and highly support your child's learning and development.

Safeguarding and Child Protection

Liskeard School Nursery is committed to safeguarding children's welfare whilst meeting their individual needs. The local governing committee is dedicated to a practice which protects children from harm. The governors and staff accept and recognise their responsibility and role in safeguarding children. Our safeguarding policy can be found on the nursery's website. Health for Under 5s:

At Liskeard School Nursery, we continuously strive to achieve the best next steps for all children in our care. We follow the Health for Under 5s guidance: encouraging healthy lifestyles from an early age. We do so through exploring healthy foods, encouraging physical activity and promoting oral health. We would love your support in providing a healthy start at nursery through the provision of a toothbrush and toothpaste and the contribution of a healthy snack each month.

What to Bring with You:

Please provide your child with a named bag containing the following items:

- a set of spare clothes (including socks);
- a water bottle;
- weather appropriate clothing (e.g. sun hat, sun cream, waterproofs/splash suit, wellies, gloves or mittens, woolly hat);
- nappies, wet wipes and nappy cream if needed.

Snack and Lunch:

At Liskeard School Nursery, we provide snack for children aged 2 – 5 years old; however, being a smaller nursery, we do not have the facilities to offer hot lunches. Please provide your child with a healthy packed lunch if they are staying all day.

Outings and Trips:

We love to explore our surrounding areas and go on outings with all our nursery children. We often visit the surrounding field and woodland and are hoping for a trip to the police and fire station soon.

Students:

Each year, we welcome students into our nursery to support their work experience or their health and social care studies. We believe this is mutually beneficial as our children enjoy the experience of having 'fresh faces' in the nursery environment. We supervise students closely and ensure that no student is ever left alone with a child.



## Additional Information

Payment and Invoicing:

The Trust SMART Services team will deal with all of your finance queries. The finance team will provide you with a letter containing instructions for setting up a ParentPay account which will be used for invoicing fees.

Nursery fees are charged at a rate of £5.00 per hour. Fees will be invoiced at the beginning of the month, for that month and should be paid promptly through ParentPay unless you are paying through the Tax Free Childcare (TFCC) scheme, in which instance, please provide the nursery with your TFCC reference number. You will still be invoiced for the fees (for your information) but a manual adjustment to reflect that they have been paid will be made on receipt of the TFCC monies.

Fees will be charged for the hours you have booked in each month. **Any missed sessions will still be charged for**, to secure your future places and to cover the staffing costs associated with ensuring the correct expected adult : child ratios.

**Opening Hours:** 

Liskeard School nursery is open during term time, 39 weeks of the year. Term dates can be found on Dobwalls Community Primary School's website by following this link:

https://www.liskeard.net/information/term-dates

Monday 8am – 5pm Tuesday 8am – 5pm Wednesday 8am – 5pm Thursday 8am – 5pm Friday 8am – 4pm

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