



A typical day in nursery for the Acorns

The daily routine for the Acorns is less structured than for the Conkers, to suit the needs of our younger children.

When the children come in, they can move freely between playing and learning both indoors and outdoors. Activities are set up each day, based on the children's interests and learning needs. Adults use children's curiosities and/or their requests to support them in their learning in a choice of child-led and adult guided activities.

The snack café is open and available to the children throughout the morning. Children are encouraged to have a drink of milk or water, and a healthy snack.

Before lunch we come together to share a story, circle game, nursery rhymes or action songs.

Lunch time is at 12:00-12:45.

The structure of the afternoon is then like the morning, with children freely able to access both indoor and outdoor activities, café time and a short group time. We often end the day with some dancing or singing!

All of our children's nappies are checked regularly throughout the day and changed whenever needed.





A typical day in nursery for the Conkers

Please note this is an example of our daily routine, as while our start, end and lunch is consistent we like to be flexible to meet the needs of the children, and any special activities or events that are planned or spontaneous.

Morning

08:45 – Doors open, children hang up their coats and choose an activity in nursery.

09:00 – Children choose between an adult-led activity or child-initiated play.

The snack café is open and available to the children throughout the morning. Children are encouraged to have a drink of milk or water, and a healthy snack.

11:35 - Tidy up time. The children are encouraged to help tidy and return resources ready for lunch.

11:40 - Large group time – the children gather on the carpet for a story, song, or activity, which are focussed on literacy, maths, or physical development.

12:00 – Home time or lunch time for those staying. After lunch, the children have a choice of quiet activities such as sharing books or building with bricks.

Afternoon

12:45 Doors open for children going home and those coming for the afternoon session.

13:00 - Children choose between an adult-led activity or child-initiated play. The activities are rotated so that children staying all day have a choice of different activities from the morning.

The snack café is open and available to the children throughout the afternoon. Children are encouraged to have a drink of milk or water, and a healthy snack.

14:50 - Tidy up time. The children are encouraged to help tidy and return resources ready for lunch.

15:00 - Large group time – the children gather on the carpet for a story, song or activity, which are focussed on literacy, maths or physical development.

15:15 – Doors open for home time.

