

A photograph of a garden area. On the left, a large, leafy tree dominates the foreground. In the center, there is a large, rounded green mound. To the right of the mound is a small blue table. Further right, a green shed is visible behind some bushes. A paved path with yellow markings runs along the right side. The sky is blue with some clouds.

DAISY CHAIN NURSERY

Prospectus

We are delighted and very proud to introduce you to the Daisy Chain Nursery in Emsworth. Kayti took her International Montessori Diploma in 1999, with the hope that at some point we could open a nursery of our own. Finally, having had our two children Sophie and Imogen, we found the perfect building in Havant Road and our dream started to take shape. The nursery has now been open for over 15 years and we are extremely proud that we have built a reputation as a leading nursery provider in the local area.

Our criteria for opening and running a nursery have always been clear. We want to provide a happy atmosphere where children can develop their self-confidence and resilience, a place where they can learn through play in a safe, warm and caring environment. We feel we can genuinely offer your child a 'home from home', which we believe is imperative during these early years. Having two children of our own, we understand the needs, aspirations and anxieties of parents. We know the standards that parents require, and we will strive on a daily basis to exceed these standards. We do hope you will visit us and we look forward to meeting you and your family.

Kayti and Sean Curtis, Directors



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Children thoroughly enjoy the nurturing and homely atmosphere the nursery offers them. They are highly valued as individuals and demonstrate a keen sense of belonging. Children are excited, happy learners who are well supported by the enthusiastic staff

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Built in 1895, the building benefits from spacious rooms and high ceilings.

The ground floor is divided into two areas. Squirrels Room accommodates children of 2-3 years of age and Wise Owls is for those children aged 3-4 years, who are in their last year of nursery before starting school





Also on the ground floor are the children's toilets, the nursery office and the kitchen where all our delicious meals are cooked by the chefs. The staff enjoying eating with the children during lunch, as well as sharing discussions about healthy food choices and lifestyles.

Outside, we have a beautiful walled garden, including a sand pit, a road for riding bikes, climbing frames, a designated play area for the babies and a children's garden patch, where we have successfully grown our own organic fruit and vegetables!.



If you have any questions
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Upstairs we have two rooms that make up the Baby Unit for children between 3 months and 2 ¼ years of age, known as Hedgehogs.

The staff ratio is 1:3 and we ensure the individual needs of each baby are met with singing, books, multi-sensorial and physical play and of course lots of cuddles. For the crawlers and toddlers, activities are developed further to encourage exploration, and self-confidence.



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Curriculum

We follow the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum which has at its core, four themes:-

1

A Unique Child

Every child is a competent learner who can be resilient, capable, confident and self-assured.

2

Positive Relationships

Children learn to be strong and independent from a base of loving and secure relationships with parents and a key person

3

Enabling Environments

The environment plays a key role in supporting and extending children's development and learning

4

Learning and Development

Children develop and learn in different ways and at different rates and all areas of Learning and Development are equally important and inter-connected

Learning and Development

Learning and Development is covered in 7 further areas:-

Prime

Personal, Social and
Emotional
Development

Physical
Development

Communication and
Language

Specific

Literacy

Mathematics

Understanding of the
World

Expressive Arts and
Design

Curriculum

Using the Free-flow system, the staff set up numerous activities for the children to access, covering all areas of learning space – the classrooms, the conservatory and the garden.

The staff observe each child as they use the equipment and then adapt activities to fit their own stage of development, so if a child is obviously finding a task very easy, they can change or add to the activity to ensure that they are being stretched and challenged. Play underpins the delivery of the whole curriculum.



Fees

Sessions are divided up into mornings and afternoons. By clearly defining the session we can ensure that we always meet the staff-to-children ratios required by Ofsted.

- All children are required to be at nursery by 9.00am unless previously agreed.
- Morning sessions include breakfast, snack and lunch. If you wish your child to have breakfast please ensure they are at nursery before 8.30am.
- Afternoon sessions include snack, and tea which is at 4.00pm.
- We do not charge for bank holidays or the week when we are closed between Christmas and New Year.
- We pride ourselves on having a transparent fee structure and our flexibility enables children to access up to 10 hours of funded hours a day.
- Fees are reviewed on 1st April every year. Fees correct as of 1st April 2023

Under 3's (Non funded children)

Session:	Time:	Price
Morning	8.00 – 1.00	£39.50
Afternoon	1.00 – 6.00	£36.50
All Day	8.00 – 6.00	£76.00
All Week	8.00 – 6.00	£360.00

Over 3's (Non funded children)

Session:	Time:	Price
Morning	8.00 – 1.00	£38.00
Afternoon	1.00 – 6.00	£35.50
All Day	8.00 – 6.00	£73.50
All Week	8.00 – 6.00	£347.50

Early Years Education funding

From the term after they turn three, all children become eligible for Early Years Education Funding for up to 570 hours per year. Funded hours are stretched over the 51 weeks we are open.

We are also registered to accept children eligible for 2 year old funding (afternoons only), and those that qualify for 30 hour extended funding.

The Admin Manager can provide further information on all aspects of funding. We strongly advise you to look at the government website www.childcarechoices.gov.uk for further information on eligibility.

Additional Services Charge (ASC) – Funded Children Only:

For those children who are funded, we charge an additional services charge of £2 per session. (Please note that a session at Daisy Chain is either a morning (8am – 1pm) or an afternoon (1pm – 6pm) and therefore a full day is 2 sessions). This enables us to provide the high levels of enhanced provision that we offer, including outings, small group and 1:1 sessions, additional training for staff, and a wide range of craft, cooking and play activities.

Cut off dates for 2 year funding

A child born on or between:	Will become eligible for a funded place at the start of the term beginning:
1st Apr to 31st Aug	1st Sept (after 2nd birthday)
1st Sept to 31st Dec	1st Jan (after 2nd birthday)
1st Jan to 31st March	1st April (after 2nd birthday)

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1st Apr to 31st Aug	1st Sept (after 3rd birthday)
1st Sept to 31st Dec	1st Jan (after 3rd birthday)
1st Jan to 31st March	1st April (after 3rd birthday)

Funded Children Only

Funded hours	FREE
Non funded hours (per hour)	£7.50
Morning Food - breakfast, snack and lunch	£4.50
Afternoon Food – snack and tea	£3.50
Additional Services Charge	£2 per session

Menu

The nursery has a 4 week menu, which rotates to ensure that the children get to try all the dishes and enjoy the variety that the menu offers.

The weekly menu is displayed on the parent notice board and on Tapestry, our online journal system. All our sauces are made from fresh ingredients and our cakes and desserts are homemade to minimise unnecessary additives into the children’s diet.

We continually seek feedback about the menu, predominantly from the children of course, however we are always delighted to hear from parents. We are very mindful of sugar content and have amended many of our recipes over the years to ensure that the children are getting a balanced and varied diet.

We have a winter and a summer menu, however the meals are reviewed throughout the year and we are constantly looking for inspirational dishes! If we find that a certain combination is not working we will change it. We are happy to cater for all restricted diets including allergies and intolerance.

Example Dishes			
MAIN MEAL		PUDDING	
Spaghetti Bolognaise		Fresh Fruit	
Mild Chicken Curry		Greek Yoghurt	
Fish Pie		Fruit and Ice Cream	
Ham and Cheese Ploughmans		Banana and Custard	
Shepherds Pie		Strawberry Mousse	
Chickpea and potato curry with rice		Fresh Fruit	
Vegetable Lasagne		Mango Fool	
Tuna and Pasta bake		Cheese cake	
Lamb Hotpot		Fruit Crumble and custard	
TEA		PUDDING	
Homemade Soup		Carrot Cake	
Various sandwiches		Muesli Bars	
Mushroom & red pepper pasta		Fresh Fruit	
Corned Beef Hash		Greek Yoghurt with Fruit	
Filled Pitta Breads		Flapjack	
Baked Beans on toast		Raisin and oatmeal biscuits	
Jacket Potato with Tuna & Sweetcorn		Shortbread biscuits	
Various sandwiches		Fresh fruit	
Homemade Soup		Yoghurts	

Breakfast and snacks

Breakfast takes place between 8 and 8.30am.

Children are offered a variety of cereals which are served with either whole, semi-skimmed, dairy-free or soya milk. Toast is also provided with a range of conserves.

We wish to promote healthy snacks and therefore we will not be serving pre-packaged sweet biscuits. We offer a snack programme which will rotate so that all children get to sample all aspects of the menu.

Example Snack Menu

DAY ONE

AM: Oranges and Pears

PM: Cheese and Crackers

DAY TWO

AM: Vegetable sticks
Cherry tomatoes

PM: Breadsticks and Dip

DAY THREE

AM: Apples and Grapes

PM: Malt Loaf

DAY FOUR

AM: Melon and Kiwi

PM: Pitta Bread with
Houmous

DAY FIVE

AM: Strawberries and Pears

PM: Rice Cakes with Cheese
Spread



“ Parents speak positively and knowingly about the nursery. For example, they report the nursery and staff are "incredible". ”

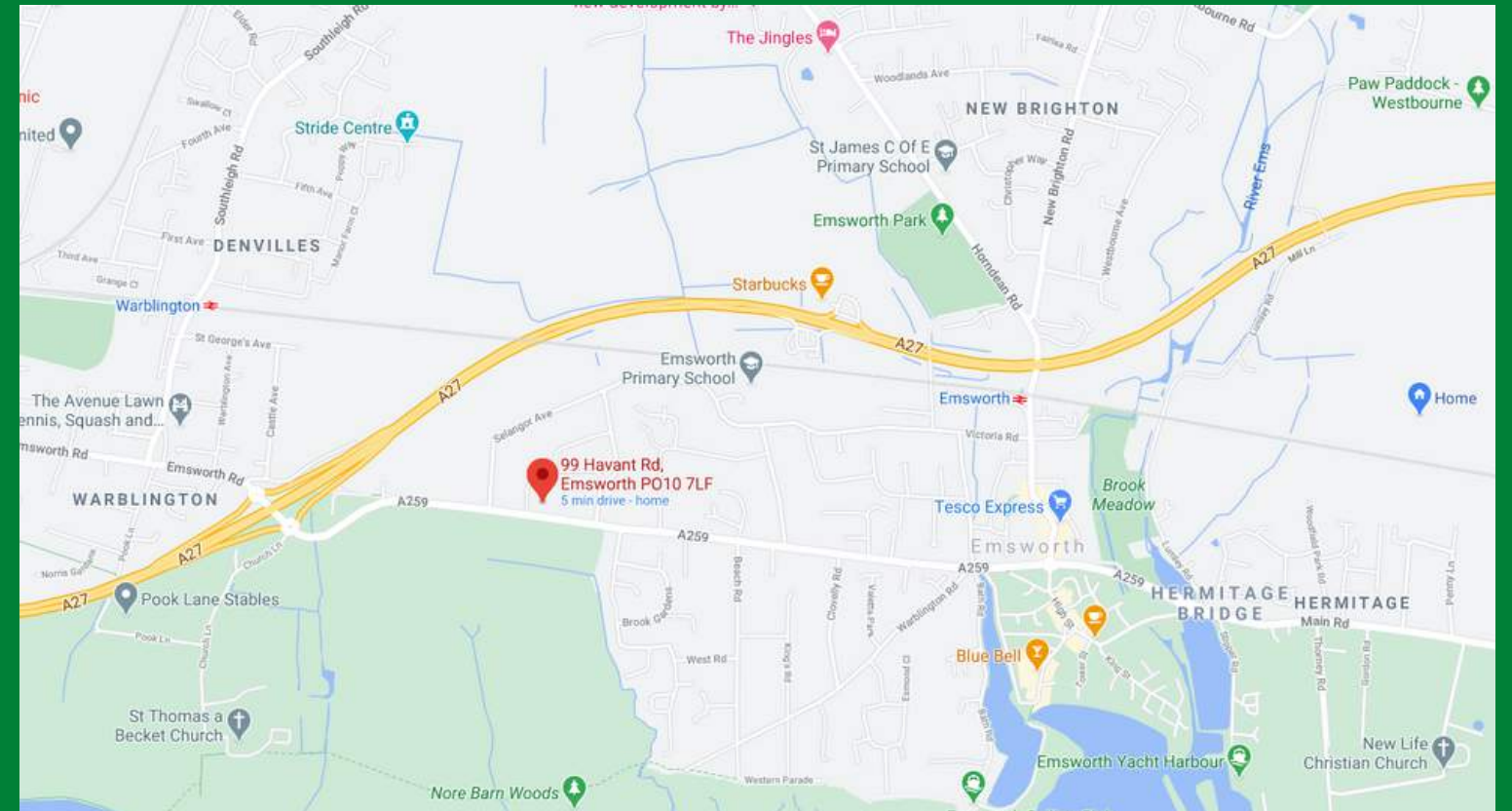
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Contact Us

The Daisy Chain Nursery is conveniently located at 99 Havant Road in Emsworth on the A259. Leaving the town centre we are positioned on the right hand side, just past the Brookfield Hotel. We are only 500 metres from the A27 roundabout making us an ideal choice for those parents who need to continue their journey onto Havant, Portsmouth, Chichester or beyond.

We have our own driveway for easy dropping off and collection. If you wish to spend longer at the nursery for settling in or to speak with a member of staff you are welcome to park in the spaces provided.

We ask that on no account do you park on the double yellow lines outside the property and encourage you to take care when you leave the drive as there is a cycle track which runs all the way along the A259.



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