



# Longacre Childcare Prospectus



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Day Nursery & Montessori  
Kindergarten



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**A member of the St Nicholas Montessori Schools  
Group**

# Our Philosophy

We strive to ensure that all of the children in our care are happy, confident and are excellent communicators giving them the solid building blocks for later life. We aim to provide a caring and happy environment that is an extension of home. We believe that all children should have the space and opportunity to flourish and learn through play.

Our primary aim for children who join us is to ensure that they become settled and happy within the nursery environment. Once your child has settled we support their growing self-confidence by providing activities and resources that challenge and encourage their developing understanding and learning. As children reach the age of 3 years there is an additional emphasis on focused activities which will support them in a smooth transition to school.

The principles that underpin our philosophy and approach to the care and education we deliver can be split into 3 areas', the EYFS, Montessori Education and Outdoor Learning, all of which are blanketed with the belief that children learn best through play.

In addition we also offer French lessons as a popular inclusion to our weekly routine in which children from the age of two can participate at no additional cost.

*"We are so very happy with the care our daughter has received for the past 2 years. Broughton are so caring and understanding of sensitive children and over protective parents! They take time to understand all your needs and it really is a home from home for the children. I cannot find a better nursery and cannot fault them."*

Lucy Tipler, Parent



## The Importance of Play

As we know babies and young children are amazing! Children are already competent learners from birth; their experiences in the earliest years of their lives are of the utmost importance and are critical to their subsequent development. Play is the natural foundation for future learning; it allows the development of healthy socialisation, language and speech, self-esteem, self-management and problem-solving, and strengthens the potential for future imaginative thinking.

Our Nursery Environment is based on a holistic approach to provide what children need to be happy, feel loved and to thrive. We observe and listen carefully to each and every child and are flexible enough to respond as they grow and develop.

We aim for the children to learn through play and this is enhanced by our rooms being carefully designed to be homely, accessible and flexible to the needs of the children using them. This is evident from the way in which all the toys and equipment are set out on low shelves inviting investigation and encouraging curiosity, self selection and independence and providing areas for activity as well as cosy areas for quiet times.

# The Early Years Foundation Stage

The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) is how the government and early year's professionals describe the time in your child's life between birth and 5 years. As an early years setting, we follow the EYFS Framework that sets out the legal welfare requirements, the 7 areas of learning and development, assessments on your child's progress and the expected levels that your child should reach by the age of 5 years, usually by the end of reception year at school. These expectations are called the 'Early Learning Goals' (ELG'S).

The framework recognises the 'holistic' nature of a child's development and learning and that all children from birth have the need to develop and learn through interaction and exploration of the world around them. It describes how your child should be kept safe and cared for and how all concerned can make sure that your child achieves the most that they can in their earliest years of life.

A more detailed explanation can be found on our Parents' Page of our website: [www.longacre-childcare.co.uk](http://www.longacre-childcare.co.uk)



## Outdoor Learning

In order to take children forward towards high self-esteem and wellbeing, we need to look at the child as a whole. Everyday experience and research shows how important the outdoors is to young children. We are aware that children's behaviour, attitudes and happiness are much improved when their outside environment is valued. Our planned use of the Outdoor Environment helps this by supporting:

**Physical Development:** Young children are very active and they learn by moving and doing and make sense of their world through all their senses. Gross muscle development comes before fine motor development and so children need to engage in lots of physical development activities to aid the development of their finer motor skills.

**Health, Emotional Well-being and Building Self-esteem:** The brain and body develop together and are inextricably linked. Children need an environment where they are free to move, have plenty of space and permission to make noise and be very active as well as places for quiet, solitude and feeling as if no one can see you.

**Opportunities to Build Relationships with other Children and Adults:** Outdoor play offers lots of opportunities for developing social problem-solving skills such as the ability to negotiate and compromise, to cooperate and collaborate with other children and supportive adults. It gives times for being and doing things and when children are able to act in a way more suited to their needs for space, movement and energy, many behavioural difficulties encountered indoors diminish.



**Contact with the Natural World:** The curiosity and fascination that children have about the natural world is a delight and the outdoors offers lots of ways to respond to the strong exploratory drive that your children have. The sense of awe and wonder is part of this and is a wonderful opportunity to gain knowledge and empathy of the living world.

**Experience of Risks:** Children have a fundamental need for 'risky freedom' in order to develop a healthy mind and body. Learning how to be safe develops the dispositions for an active learner – being willing to try things out, learning from mistakes, perseverance, problem-solving, asking for (but not relying on) help. Children are supported to act safely when hazards are encountered which in time should develop into children being able to know what is risky, how to handle it (and not be afraid 'to try') and how to cope with any consequences.

# Montessori Education

The Montessori Method is child-centred with a curriculum that is designed around the specific needs and abilities of each child as an individual, which allows them to explore and learn at their own pace.

Maria Montessori, Italy's first female qualified doctor, developed her own style of equipment and a highly successful method of teaching which started with educating the child's senses before leading on to the more formal education of reading and writing. The success of her teachings in Rome led her to write about and teach others her methods and from there her philosophy has gained much popularity across the world.

In our nursery we offer a combination of care and education that encompasses not only the Early Years Foundation Stage Framework, but also the teaching methods of Maria Montessori. In many ways The Montessori Method aims to promote:

- The development of concentration, perseverance and problem-solving
- Self-esteem and self-worth
- Independence of thought and action
- The development of motor co-ordination
- A sense of responsibility
- The development of pre-writing skills

There are five main areas of learning with Montessori:



- **Practical Life**

Practical Life activities help children to hone the skills they need in daily life. Whilst learning these essential life skills, children are also developing hand-eye co-ordination and the ability to focus their attention for the entirety of an activity. Successful completion of such tasks gives children a real sense of their own achievement, and this builds their self-confidence.

- **Sensorial Exploration**

Children are acutely aware of the world around them and are constantly exploring it and taking in impressions through all of their senses. Sensorial activities encourage children to order and classify the physical properties of the world they live in, refining children's powers of observation, perception, exploration and communication.

- **Mathematics**

Montessori mathematics materials enable even a very young child to achieve a natural appreciation of mathematical concepts through his or her own efforts. Specially designed activities help children to grasp tangible ideas along with sensory experience of numbers, quantities and mathematical operations.

- **Language**

The freedom offered to the children creates many opportunities for them to communicate with their peers and adults. Supported by our specialised Montessori Teacher the emphasis is on the development of vocabulary based on real experiences and the early preparation required for reading and writing.

- **Cultural Exploration of the World Around**

The Montessori approach covers a wide range of subjects which reflects the interests of young children to extend their knowledge and understanding of art and crafts, geography, history, music and science and the natural world. Cultures from around the world are explored and celebrated.



This holistic curriculum, under the direction of a specifically prepared teacher, allows the child to experience the joy of learning, the time to enjoy the process, and provides the experiences from which children create their knowledge. Montessori activities are self-chosen by the child, are self-correcting, they judge their own progress and determine when they are ready for the next step and if they wish they can return to the previous step as often as they need. This self-choice helps develop their self-confidence, independence and concentration.

## Starting at Nursery

Each child upon starting with the Nursery is elected a member of staff who will be their Key Person. Although we encourage children to build relationships with all staff members, it is the Key Person's role to be the parent's point of communication and carry out observations and planned activities for the child.

Handing your child over to a carer for the first time is a new experience; we understand how unsettling this can be for both you and your child. We will arrange a 'settling in' session for you and your child to attend. This is a short session where you can sit down with your child's Key Person to discuss your child's routine, their likes and dislikes, ensuring the staff know your child and can cater for their individual needs while they are with us. Whilst you are doing this your child has the opportunity to explore their new surroundings with the comfort of knowing that you are nearby.

Depending on how your child settles during these sessions, a number of short sessions can be arranged before they start their full contracted hours with us.

Our primary aim for children who join us is to ensure that they become settled and happy within the nursery environment as soon as possible. Once your child has settled we support their growing self confidence by providing activities and resources that challenge and encourage their developing understanding and learning.

*"I think that the care is outstanding. Both my boys have had a fantastic time and have a great start to their social and educational life."*

*Parent*



## Partnership with Parents

*'Parents are children's first and most enduring educators. When parents and practitioners work together in early years settings, the results have a positive impact on children's development and learning' EYFS.*

We encourage parental involvement in all aspects of their child's care by:

- Giving parents regular updates on their child's activities and progress in a variety of situations (e.g. session hand overs, Activity Plans, Progress Forms, Parents' Evenings...)
- Providing opportunities for parents to contribute to their child's records (Parental Involvement Forms).
- Ensuring that parents are fully consulted about and have sufficient opportunities to express their views on any issues pertaining to the Nursery.
- Respecting and having regard to all aspects of parents' wishes relating to their child's development and wellbeing.

## Our Staff

A great deal of attention and time is invested in the creation and development of a committed, motivated and well qualified staff team. All staff will complete a thorough vetting process before starting with the Company. All references are followed up and every member of staff is checked and approved in line with DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) regulations. In addition to this, we encourage and support all staff to obtain good quality training and qualifications.

We support this aim by assisting staff to find and sign up to quality training providers and support them with their training needs during their course. We also provide an in depth induction for new staff and staff that have been promoted into new job roles to ensure that they have all of the information needed to provide a high quality service for the children and their families. This training is then further supplemented on an individual basis by the Nursery Manager.



## About Longacre Childcare Ltd

Longacre Childcare Ltd owns two nurseries in the Sevenoaks area of Kent and we have been providing high quality childcare and early year's education to local families for over 20 years. We are very proud of our two settings, Broughton Cottage and Longacre Day Nursery and love that we can offer children a home from home atmosphere as they are based in buildings previously used as family homes. In 2013 we were purchased by Montessori St Nicholas, a national charity whose aim is to support the Montessori movement throughout the UK.

# Our Policies

This brief overview details some of our policies, a full set of our Parents' Policy Document can be found at the nursery. Please ask the Nursery Manager for more information.

## Our Meals

Using advice from Government Guidelines we produce Seasonal Menus. Our meals are prepared on site by our experienced staff with food hygiene qualifications. Meal and snack times are important learning experiences for the children as they sit down with the staff so that they can gain social skills and table manners through observation of peers and gentle reminders from staff who also encourage healthy choices and the sampling of new foods. But most importantly we want meals at Nursery to be sociable, fun, and stimulating occasions.

## Allergies

We are experienced in catering for special diets including dairy-free, gluten-free, nut-free and vegetarian. We understand that due to food allergies, your children may have a restricted diet and in most cases, after a consultation with the Nursery Manager, it can be catered for. It is for this reason that we ask parents who wish to bring items such as birthday cake in to share to ensure that it is presented to us still in the original packaging so that staff can check the ingredients for suitability.

## Medical Illness

Parents must provide details of the severity of any allergies, sensitivities or medical conditions such as asthma. A **Protocol Form** will then be completed to ensure staff know what safeguarding measures to put in place and procedures to follow should a reaction take place. Parents are requested to inform the nursery of any changes to all information kept in the nursery.

## Sickness

The Nursery does not aim to exclude children unnecessarily. Whilst we recognize the difficulties involved for working parents in making alternative care arrangements for their children if they are ill, the Nursery will always put the interests and needs of the children first. Nursery staff follow the advice given by Public Health England on exclusion periods for infectious illnesses.

## First Aid and Accidents

There is always a trained first aider at the Nursery to administer first aid. All accidents and resulting treatment will be recorded and signed by the staff member who dealt with the accident, a witness, the Manager and parent.

## Special Educational Needs

It is the policy of the Nursery to provide for the development of young children with special educational needs within the main stream service provided for children at Nursery and to ensure that all children have access to a broad and balanced curriculum in order that they may achieve their full potential. We have no specialized facilities for Special Needs children, but we aim to work closely with children, staff, parents and support staff to provide an appropriate environment. Our SENDCO (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Co-ordinator) has additional training to enable them to carry out their responsibilities. Where there are children with special needs in their group, they seek to provide the staff with appropriate training and support.

## Equal Ops

We follow an equal opportunity policy and welcome all children and their families to our Nursery. Our staff are happy to help support both child and parent should English be their second language and we have a designated SENDCO at our setting who is trained to identify and support a range of individual needs.

## Free Early Years Education for 3 & 4 Year Olds

We offer all eligible children up to 15 hours of Free Early Years Education (funding) per week, term time only. We also have a limited number of Free Early Education places for 2 year olds.

## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**NAME OF CHILD:** \_\_\_\_\_

Sessions are confirmed on your 'Contract of Childcare Hours' attached. Please read the following carefully, any questions should be directed to the Nursery Manager.

### **AGE OF ATTENDANCE**

The Nursery cares for children aged 3 months to 5 years. Please bring your child's original birth certificate into nursery, where the details will be recorded for future reference. This verification will be required once your child reaches the age of three and becomes eligible for government funding.

### **OPENING HOURS**

The Nursery is open Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm. We cannot care for children outside of these hours. We close for bank holidays and the week between Christmas and New Year. In addition we may close one day a year for Staff Development. This date will be announced at least three months in advance. When the nursery is closed and care cannot be offered at an alternative setting, parents will not be charged.

### **CHANGES IN ATTENDANCE**

Your invoice will be based on the hours stated on your signed Contract of Hours. Changes to your child's attendance are managed by the Nursery Manager who will issue a new contract to be signed. Additional one-off sessions can be booked through the Nursery Manager providing there is space available. If you book an additional session but do not attend, you will still be liable for payment. Charges for additional sessions will be added to your monthly invoice, payable by the last day of each month.

### **HOLIDAYS & ABSENCES**

All absences including holidays and sickness are charged at the standard rate.

### **FEES & INVOICES**

To register your child on the nursery Waiting List you will need to complete a Registration Form and pay a non refundable Registration Fee of £30. Upon being offered a place at the nursery you are required to secure the place with £250 deposit. This will be deducted from your first invoice.

At the beginning of each month you will receive your invoice which shows your child's contracted hours. All invoices are payable by the close of each month. We accept cheques, cash, BACS payments, Credit and Debit cards and various childcare vouchers. All settling in sessions are chargeable. For more details on Invoices and payments please refer to your Parents Welcome Guide. If you are late paying your invoice in full or payment is invalid, you will be charged a £60.00 administration fee (subject to annual review).

### **INCREASE IN FEES**

Fees are reviewed once a year and increases occur from 1<sup>st</sup> September. We do try to keep increases to a minimum and parents will be notified in advance.

### **CANCELLATION OF CONTRACT**

Six weeks' notice in writing is required if you choose to end your contracted place, or reduce your sessions. Fees remain payable throughout the notice period. The notice period and fees are non-negotiable. If you cancel your contract prior to starting at the nursery we will retain your £250 deposit.

### **SCHOOL LEAVERS- SUMMER TERM**

If your child is due to start school in September your contract with the nursery will automatically end on the 31<sup>st</sup> August unless you make alternative arrangements with the Nursery Manager.

### **TERMINATION OF CONTRACT BY NURSERY**

We reserve the right to terminate a nursery place with immediate effect if any fees are not paid by the due date, or if a parent or carer displays abusive, threatening or inappropriate behaviour. Examples of this are: a parent using foul language or being abusive to staff, or a parent frequently arriving late at the nursery without prior notification. Please refer to our Nursery Agreement. For children in receipt of Free Education (funding), we will terminate their wrap round care hours.

### **FINAL PAYMENTS**

Full settlement of your final invoice will be expected two weeks before your child's last session. This is to ensure that monies clear before you leave.

### **CONTACT DETAILS**

It is the responsibility of the parents of each child to ensure that the Manager of the Nursery is advised, in writing, of any changes of address, telephone numbers, email or other details that may be required.

### **COLLECTING YOUR CHILD**

All children must be collected on time at the end of their session. If you are unable to collect on time a late collection fee of **£25.00** will be charged in addition to your hourly rate and added to your monthly invoice for each occasion of lateness.

## POLICIES

A copy of our Parents' Information and Policy Details documents are readily available to parents and we ask that you adhere to them. The Nursery Manager is always available should you have any questions.

## MEALS & FOOD

All snacks and meals are included (not breakfast) in the monthly fees. The morning includes a snack and lunch at 12 noon. Afternoon sessions include a snack and tea at 4pm. We provide water at all times and milk is available at meal and snack times.

The Nursery follows a strict **NO NUT** policy. We ask that children do not bring in food from home. On special occasions and with the permission of the Nursery Manager treats such as cake can be brought in but should arrive in the original packaging so that ingredients can be checked.

## ALLERGIES & LIFE THREATENING ILLNESSES

The nursery's policy towards children with **life-threatening allergies** is determined by the terms set out in our insurance policy. It is your responsibility to adhere to this policy. The nursery *must* be informed if your child has, or develops, any life-threatening allergies or conditions. The nursery must be informed if children require medical equipment such as Epipens or inhalers. We are unable to take children that have severe medical conditions until a Protocol Form has been received from your child's G.P.

## SICKNESS AND MEDICATION

You must notify the Nursery of any contagious or infectious illness and your child must be withdrawn for the period advised by Public Health England. If your child becomes unwell during the day, we will ask for them to be collected as soon as possible. The Nursery will inform parents of any contagious or infectious illnesses of which we are aware within the setting. The Nursery is not responsible for any illness caused to any child as a result of attendance at the Nursery.

If antibiotics or medication have been prescribed, a Medication Form will need to be completed and the first 24 hours of the medication received at home before it can be administered at Nursery.

With long-term illnesses e.g. asthma an Individual Protocol Form will need to be completed before your child starts with us, a letter from the G.P. and appropriate training in administration of some medication may be required.

All medication should be brought in the original container with child's name, medication name and the dosage clearly marked along with the directions for use.

## MAJOR INJURY

In the event of an emergency we will call an ambulance first and then call you. A member of staff will remain with your child until you arrive. **Please note** - If a query arises in the case of a child with a confirmed history of certain medical conditions the agreed protocol will be followed.

## VALUABLES

Children must not bring in jewellery, money or other valuables to the Nursery. Personal belongings and clothing are left in the nursery at your own risk and we cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage. However, we will endeavour to make every effort to ensure that they are not lost or damaged.

## ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

In the interests of safety you will need to adhere to the Nursery Parking procedures listed in your Parents' Welcome Guide and Nursery Newsletters. All vehicles and their contents are parked at the owner's risk and the Company is unable to take any responsibility for them.

## LIABILITY

We take no responsibility for children whilst they are in their parents care on nursery premises. This includes times prior to arrival and at collection times.

## NON-SOLICITATION OF STAFF

During the term of this agreement and for six months after its termination you may not seek to employ, entice away or attempt to entice away any staff employed by Longacre Childcare Ltd. As significant investment goes into the ongoing training of our staff to ensure that they deliver the very highest standard of care, any parent who breaches this clause will pay compensation to the nursery for all costs incurred in replacing the member of staff, this may include agency fees, advertising costs and all such other costs reasonably and necessarily incurred by the Company (of £1,500). Staff may work for you after hours under your own separate agreement, but this will not be covered by the nursery's public liability insurance.

## AMENDMENT OF TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The information in this pack is as up to date as we can make it. We do hold the right to make changes to the terms and conditions but we will advise you in writing of these changes.

## ACCEPTANCE

To accept your place, please sign and return both this and your Contract of Hours to the Manager before your child's first day. Your child will not be able to start the Nursery unless we have had these forms returned to us.

**I agree to abide by the terms and conditions set out in this contract.**

Parent/Guardian Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Print: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Registration Form

Nursery:  Broughton Cottage Day Nursery, Dunton Green

Longacre Day Nursery, Otford

<b>Name of Child</b>	<b>Date of Birth</b>
<b>Address</b>	<b>Name of Parents</b>
<b>Email Address</b>	<b>Contact Numbers</b>

<b>Start Date required:</b>		
Please indicate days and session times required, if known		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Thursday	Friday	

Does your child have a known medical condition?      Yes No

**Please note if you child's condition is serious e.g. food allergy, we are only able to care for them once we have a Protocol Form from their G.P.**

Registration Fee: Unless you have a Love Local Life Card, a non-returnable booking fee of £30 is required to hold your place on our Waiting List. Cheques should be made payable to: Longacre Childcare Ltd and sent with this Registration Form to the Nursery of your choice.

Sevenoaks Love Local Life Card Number	Expiry Date
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How did you first hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_

Office Use: Dates

Registration Fee received		Confirmation Letter sent		Deposit Received		Start Pack Sent	
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# Broughton Cottage Day Nursery

"The successful combination of education and play"



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photographs

**Broughton Cottage Day Nursery** is based in a beautiful house with a lovely interactive garden and surrounded by farmland. We care for up to 37 children daily from 3 months to school age all year round. Our small size and location means that we can offer a homely and friendly environment for children in our care. We are open between 8am and 6pm offering half and full day sessions, which means that we are ideal for local working parents with the nearest mainline station being a 5 minute drive away. Our nursery is organised so that we can offer a dedicated Baby Room, fully equipped Montessori Room and interactive Outdoor Learning Environment.

## Our Baby Room

Our dedicated Baby Room offers the youngest children in our care a secure and calm base to experience a wide range of activities and to socialise with other babies and familiar staff members. We support babies' individual daily routines and strive to give them plenty of opportunities to develop those important next steps. The room itself is equipped with an array of quality toys and equipment chosen to support their early development and encourage their natural desire for exploration and independence.



## Toddlers and Beyond

We believe that children benefit hugely by playing and learning in mixed age groups so once children are confident and ready, normally around 2 years, they progress to the Main Area of the Nursery. The children have the choice to access a range of activities, including Role Play, Arts and Craft, Exploration and Construction Areas. They also have access to our dedicated Montessori Room to explore and investigate.

## Garden

Our garden, which backs onto local stables and farmland, has been developed by our staff to provide the children with a stimulating and interactive learning environment. It includes a Vegetable Garden, Bike Track, Mud Kitchen and areas for Construction and Music.



## What Parents Say About Us:

*'Lovely visit and very happy and contented looking children. Delightful play area and love the fact that the children are encouraged to get fresh air.'*

*'We have been entirely happy with Broughton Cottage. The building, the garden and the friendly staff all make it a very homely, welcoming place for our child, who loves her time there.'*

## Ofsted

Ofsted inspects and regulates care for children and young people, along with education and training for learners of all ages. We were evaluated by Ofsted on: **14th November 2014** and our report can be found via our website.

## What did Ofsted have to say about us?

*'Overall the quality of the provision is Good.'*

*The teaching is good. Children progress well in their communication and language skills, physical development, and their personal, social and emotional development.*

*A strong working partnership with parents is effective in enabling a two-way flow of information.*

*Staff maintain robust safeguarding procedures to help maintain a secure environment where children of all ages can move around and play safely and confidently.*

## Fees 2016:

Full day £70.00  
8am - 6pm

Half Day: £48.00  
8am-1pm or 1pm-6pm

All meals, snacks and disposable nappies are included in the price. For more details please speak to the Nursery Manager.

## Would you like to come and look round?

Call the Manager and arrange to have a guided tour having all your questions answered. See how the rooms run and meet the staff, it's a great way to get a feel for the place and find out how best we can suit your needs.

## Like what you've seen?

If you have had your show round, did you like what you saw? Do you feel that Broughton Cottage Day Nursery could be the right place for your child to learn and grow? Fill out your Registration Form and return to the Nursery with the registration fee of £30.00, cheques should be made payable to **Broughton Cottage Day Nursery**. This will place your child on our Waiting List which is sorted strictly by order of registration. Once your child has been offered a place, a £250 deposit is payable to secure this, please see Terms and Conditions for more information.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Nursery Manager.



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**Longacre Day Nursery** is set in a beautiful environment within a large private house with a fabulous 1 acre garden that stretches into the local countryside. As such, we offer all children a genuinely warm and friendly home from home atmosphere. We care for up to 19 children aged from 3 months between the hours of 8am and 6pm.

## Baby Room

Our dedicated Baby Room gives the youngest children in our care a safe and secure area to bond and interact with committed staff and experience a wide range of activities that provide opportunities for furthering their development. We have direct access to the patio allowing easy access to our garden. The room itself invites exploration and independence through the toys and equipment displayed on easy to access shelves.

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## Garden

We have a large garden, which is designed as an Outdoor Learning Environment and includes a covered sandpit, mud kitchen, tranquillity area, mini beast lairs, a sensory garden and the children's own vegetable and flower gardens. We also like to explore and investigate nature during walks in our Forest Garden through the apple orchard.

## What Parents Say About Us:

*'The level of care has been superb, (Child) has often refused to come home at the end of the session!'*

*'My son and daughter both loved their time at Longacre and I have nothing but praise for the nursery environment and the staff. I would not hesitate to recommend the nursery to anyone.'*

*'We absolutely love Longacre. (Child) is so happy and welcomed, and comes home full of stories and tales of his days. The staff are all wonderful and I have recommended the nursery numerous times.'*

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### What did Ofsted have to say about us?

*'The quality of the provision is good'*

*'Children are confident, settled and happy.'*

*'Staff interact with enthusiasm, warmth and care with the children.'*

*'Children gain the necessary skills to help them progress well and prepare them for the next steps in their learning, including starting school.'*

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