

# Your child is our world





## welcome

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Our aim at Small World Nursery is to support you in the important task of raising your pre-school children. We are committed to providing an accessible, vibrant and happy family atmosphere with a pro-active vision and consistent professional standards.

We aim to set the pace by providing excellent education and care for babies, toddlers and young children. Highly trained, qualified practitioners work consistently to ensure that children are healthy, safe and enjoy learning in a stimulating environment.

Children with special or additional needs are welcome and we will do all we can to fully include children with disabilities.

We value and celebrate cultural diversity which helps promote a rich learning environment. This is reflected in the curriculum and resources. As needed, we will give extra support to children and families whose first language is not English, whilst encouraging children to freely express themselves in their most familiar language.



The staff team work very well together. They are motivated and passionate about what they do and clearly love their job, creating a warm and welcoming environment.

Ofsted Report, January 2014.

### Need After-School or Holiday care?

We provide an after-school and holiday club for children aged 4-11 years old. Contact us for more details.

## our nursery

We provide full day care and flexible sessions to meet your needs. We are registered to care for up to 65 children aged between 0 and 5 years.

Our nursery is designed to appeal to babies and young children providing areas for fun filled play and learning, space to move freely and quieter places for sleep, healthy eating, concentration, conversation and rest.

Our welcome area leads into a spacious child-centred environment which is light, well ventilated and full of expressions of childrens creativity. There are 3 separate rooms especially equipped for 'babies' under 24 months, 'toddlers' from 18 months - 3 years and pre-school children aged 3 - 5 years.

The rooms are designed to help your child choose toys, equipment and initiate various activities, schemes and play. Our nursery practitioners make plans for individuals and groups providing different resources and facilitating learning opportunities. They will get to know your child well, giving continual support to meet their physical and emotional care needs and helping learning and development.



Stars Room (6 wks - 2yrs olds)

Our specially created baby room takes great care in providing a secure, safe, cosy and relaxed family environment for your baby where the children can relax, explore, use their imagination and also be messy and creative. Our baby room offers an extensive range of toys, equipment and activities whilst providing a safe environment where babies can practice crawling or walking.

#### Rockets Room (2 - 3 yr olds) The large room has a carpeted area for soft play and a lino floored area for eating, games and



Rockets Room

messy activities. The room is welcoming and extremely well equipped with educational toys and games with the emphasis on learning through play and the children have a free choice of a wide range of activities. The toddler room is a hive of activity with activities that foster independence skills where the children can relax, explore, use their imagination and also be messy and creative.



#### **Comets/Galaxy Room (3-4yrs olds)**

We understand that young children learn through play, so we create a happy and relaxed atmosphere where the children can develop their physical, intellectual, social and emotional skills in a safe and stimulating environment.

The rooms are set up in a way to encourage children to make decisions and choose activities for themselves. They are given the opportunity to participate in investigative science, table top activities, technology, music and imaginative play. A quiet area is provided for reading.



Comets Room



Soft play area

#### Soft play area and ball pool

We have a well equipped soft play area and ball pool for all age groups in which children can develop their gross motor skills.

Galaxy Room

#### Outdoors

The nursery explores the outdoors and the natural environment by helping the children to enhance their self-esteem and build confidence by offering the children a range of experiences from forest walks and bug-hunts to climbing trees.



Queens Park

We also enjoy shopping, trips to library, the <sup>4</sup> local market and the Charnwood Museum.



Library and Museum

## Important information

#### Location

Small World Nursery is conveniently located (opposite Sainsbury's) in central Loughborough on the first floor of the Schofield Family Centre.

#### **Opening Times**

We open daily from Monday to Friday at 8.00am until 6pm all year round, excluding Bank Holidays, and for the days between Christmas and New Year. We also close for two practitioner training days, one at the beginning of January and the other in August.

#### Fees

Our fees are realistic and competitively priced, reflecting quality with regard for affordability. Fees are payable monthly in advance. Invoices are issued at the beginning of each month and should be paid within 5 working days.

#### Funding during term time

Please see our website for further information regarding nursery funding.

#### **Nursery Policies and Procedures**

On enrolment, a parents information booklet outlining our policies and procedures will be made available to you.

#### Admissions

An initial enquiry form should be completed and returned to the Nursery Manager. If you wish to secure a place, it will not be guaranteed more than three months in advance.

When you enrol your child you will be advised as to whether there is a place currently available. If there isn't a vacancy your name can be added to a waiting list.

A non-returnable deposit of one week's nursery fees must be paid to secure a place (unless your child is only attending funded sessions only) which will be deducted from your **final** invoice. If you choose not to take up the place by the agreed date the nursery will keep the deposit to cover any losses sustained.

#### Settling in

We understand that each family is unique and so we will encourage you to share with us your child's needs and interests, how they learn and the things that are important to you. We will talk through a settling in process that is individual to you and your child.

### Happy Families

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Hy son loves coming to nursery. I feel that the guality of care that he receives is of a very high standard. Gemma

I feel that my child is treated as a unique child, his needs are constantly assessed and the provision changes to meet his needs. Mrs Butters

> All children feel special because they are valued. Miss Devlin

' value that each child is and encouraged. Mrs Bishop I feel that the guality of care my child receives is excellent in all respects. Mrs Collins

> we value the hands on approach to learning with the children with the children Mr Gay and Dr Maratos

i feel that the nursery has a great family feel to it, and the fact that you dont have a high staff turnover means have a high staff turnover means the children have consistency the children have miss back it felt right - as well as the excellent of sted report, the atmosphere is warm and loving and care about the children. Mrs Willson

> I chose Small world because I liked the lovely family atmosphere. Mrs Coultas

#### Supporting children's communication and language is embedded into staff practice. Strategies are consistent across the nursery and, as a result, all children make good progress in their speech and language skills.

Staff deployment is effective, the staff team work very well together. They are motivated and passionate about what they do and clearly love their job, creating a warm and welcoming environment.

The key person has strong bonds with their children and ensures that moves to a new room are as smooth as possible, resulting in more confident children, whose self-esteem is promoted. Key persons work closely with parents to gather as much information as possible to help them meet children's individual needs.

The nursery invests time in staff training and professional development, which results in excellent teaching and learning.

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Small World Nursery was established in 1996 by King's Church. It is part of an ongoing vision to partner with the Local Authority to meet needs in the Charnwood Community.

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