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#### **About Us**

Kiddie Capers Childcare are a local, Mid Sussex company, operating several Nurseries, Preschools and After-School Clubs. We offer warm and friendly environments, where your child feels safe and secure. Our settings are managed by highly competent managers who are local to the areas they are situated in and have many years' experience of working within Nurseries and Preschools.

Kiddie Capers Childcare is owned and run on a day to day basis by two families who live in Haywards Heath.

#### **Our Aim**

At Kiddie Capers we give our children a safe, happy, creative environment where children are inspired and develop an interest in new ideas and interests. We value their uniqueness and recognise their individual learning needs, so that they can grow in confidence and independence in preparation not only for school, but for life. Our stimulating learning conditions and challenging curriculum ensures each child achieves their full potential. We create a caring ethos, where we encourage respect for each other and for the environment, whilst adding to the life and wellbeing of our local community. Our strong partnerships with families and the wider local community, creates an open and welcoming surrounding that promotes equality and values diversity.





# **Early Years Foundation Stage**

Throughout the nurseries we plan for children's play, learning and development using the EYFS, for children from birth to five years. Effective practice throughout the settings is guided by the four themes of the Early Years Foundation Stage. Practitioners use these themes to support the learning, development and care of our children.

The four key themes are:

A Unique Child - every child is a competent learner from birth who can be resilient, capable, confident and self-assured.

**Positive Relationships** – children learn to be strong and independent from a base of loving and secure relationships with parents/ carers and a key person.

**Enabling Environments** – the environment plays a key role in supporting and extending children's development and learning, both indoors and outdoors.

**Learning and Development** – children develop and learn in different ways and at different rates, all areas of learning and development are equally important and interconnected.

We plan for your child using the seven key areas of learning:

#### Prime areas: -

Personal, Social and Emotional Development Communication and Language Development Physical Development

#### Specific areas: -

Literacy, Mathematics
Understanding the World
Expressive Art and Design



## Baby & Toddler Area

Our baby areas provide a homely and comforting environment for our youngest children, ensuring that the babies feel safe and secure and can explore new experiences. The cosy space offers a range of resources that allows them to develop independence and supports their early development. Our team have a wide range of experience working with children under two years of age and use their knowledge to introduce babies to many exciting and stimulating play and sensory experiences, allowing babies to find out more about themselves and the world around them.

### Your Key Person

During settling in sessions you will be introduced to your child's key person, who has special responsibilities for working with you and your child giving them the reassurance to feel safe and cared for during their time with us.

Your child's key person will spend time building a close relationship with you and your child, spend time observing your child to find out about their individual interests and will use this information to plan exciting experiences for them. Each key person works with parents and carers to ensure that any questions are answered and that you are fully involved in your child's learning and development.





### Special Educational Needs & Disabilities

Each nursery has a Special Educational Needs & Disabilities Co-ordinator (SENDCO). Children with special educational needs are welcomed into our nurseries. The nursery will liaise with parents, and other professionals according to each child's individual needs. The SENDCO also supports children who practitioners feel need support in areas of their development. An Individual Educational Plan (IEP) would then be implemented with parent's involvement.

### **Outdoor Play**

We passionately believe that outdoor play and learning opportunities are fundamental to the ongoing health and well-being of all children. Here at Kiddie Capers all children will be provided with daily outdoor opportunities, regardless of age and whatever the weather. Outdoor play has many benefits to the healthy development of young children and encourages an active lifestyle from a young age. Children who play outdoors are much more likely to continue to enjoy outdoor activities as they get older. This environment helps children to appreciate and respect nature and the environment and also aids development of their social skills.





### **Forest School**

Forest School is a growing philosophy in the UK and has been adapted from the Scandinavian approach. We run sessions, primarily for the pre-school aged children, at each of our settings. Sessions take place in the local, natural environment. Our focus is to build on children's knowledge and familiarity of the area and give them the opportunity to lead their own learning by exploring. All activities are based on the children's interests as well as giving them the chance to participate in new experiences. The weather is not a barrier as children are provided with puddle suits and bring wellies from home. This approach helps children to understand and manage risk, develop confidence, self-esteem, language skills and nurture a love of the outdoors.

#### **Meals & Snacks**

We are committed to providing freshly prepared, healthy and delicious meals which our children will enjoy. We are also happy to cater for different dietary and allergy requirements. At lunch time parents have the choice to either provide their child with a packed lunch or we can provide a two course hot meal, for an additional fee.

We offer breakfast, to all children who arrive by 8.30am, a choice of cereals and wholemeal toast. Twice daily snacks, comprising of fresh fruit, vegetable sticks, crackers, rice cakes, breadsticks and for those children here after 4pm a 'high tea' from a selection of sandwiches, soup, rolls, scrambled egg, pastas etc.







## After School & Breakfast Clubs

Our Ofsted Registered After School and Breakfast Clubs transport children to and from the school and over to our settings. We offer the children space to play, socialise with friends or to use the various different local facilities in a well supervised manner. Utilising many years of childcare experience with this age group, our team ensure an engaging and exciting session is had by everyone who attends. We offer a choice of cereals or toast in the morning and an afternoon snack straight after school and those still with us at 5pm are given a light tea too.

#### **Find Out More**

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Our website:

kiddiecaperschildcare.co.uk

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"My 3 year old is at Kiddie Capers, my 1 year old starts soon. I live locally, so it's convenient for me. I highly recommend it, the staff are lovely and my boy always comes home happy"

Jane, Dylan's Mum