

# Toddler to *Preschool*

Our little guide to  
their next big step



# A year that really *matters*

Preschool isn't about rushing ahead or recreating a school classroom. Our approach gives your child the time, space and encouragement to build essential skills at their own pace, guided by their curiosity and interests.



# Our parent *partnership*

As a familiar and trusted face, we work together with families to help each child feel supported, understood and confident.

Taking time to talk through questions about school, routines or next steps can make a real difference.



# *Benefits* for busy families

- Year-round opening and extended hours
- Up to 30 hours childcare funding available\*
- Daily updates on our Family App

**...and your child doesn't  
have to start from scratch**

\*depending on eligibility



# How we nurture *school readiness*

Readiness is built through everyday moments, repeated gently and consistently, with familiar adults who really know your child. Our Ready for School Programme introduces richer experiences and strong foundations in a way that feels natural and fun.

## Reading & Writing

- ✓ Phonics, storytelling, songs, and rhymes
- ✓ Conversations that grow vocabulary
- ✓ Mark-making and early handwriting
- ✓ Early sound awareness and name recognition

## Maths

- ✓ Counting through play, routines and real-life experiences
- ✓ Notice patterns and shapes
- ✓ Compare sizes, quantities, and measures
- ✓ Solve simple problems through exploration



# But school readiness goes *beyond* literacy and maths...

School readiness is really about how children feel. Feeling able to say what they need, ask for help, and solve simple problems. When children feel emotionally secure and supported, they're much more ready to learn and enjoy school.

## Independence

- ✓ Putting on coats and shoes
- ✓ Using the toilet independently
- ✓ Handwashing and basic self-care
- ✓ Tidying and managing their belongings
- ✓ Serving themselves at mealtimes
- ✓ Making choices in their play and learning.

## Confidence

- ✓ Have a go at new activities
- ✓ Share their ideas and ask questions
- ✓ Solve small problems independently



## Social skills & friendships

Children don't need to know exactly who they'll be learning alongside next year, they need the confidence to build relationships wherever they go.

- ✓ Take turns and share
- ✓ Express their feelings and needs
- ✓ Listen to others
- ✓ Work and play together
- ✓ Resolve small disagreements



What does a typical preschool day look like?

Take a look!





## Your next step

### New to Bright Horizons?

Book a personal tour to get all your questions answered.

### Already a parent?

Book a meeting with your nursery manager to discuss your preschool transition.

[Find your nursery](#)

## Find out more...

1

Explore your funding options

[Take a look!](#)

2

Access our Ready for School resources

[Take a look!](#)

3

Revisit our Nurture Approach

[The Nurture Approach™](#)



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