

Please also refer to the enrolment pack and prospectus for further details.

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Facilities and Services

- Specialist care from three months to four years.
- Extensive opening hours from 7.00am to 6.00pm Monday to Friday, 52 weeks of the year.
- State of the art purpose built ground floor accommodation.
- Range of sessions available including full day, morning and afternoon.
- Nappies, wipes, creams, sun cream and non-prescription medicines included in fees.
- Freshly prepared healthy breakfast, hot lunch and tea provided for all children.
- Most medical and religious dietary needs catered for.
- Extensive car parking and drop off facilities.
- Perfect location for parents travelling into Preston City Centre or out of Preston to the motorway network.
- Holiday Care service for older siblings of primary school age on the same site.

Environment

- Set in eleven acres of beautiful countryside with chickens, donkeys, guinea pigs and rabbits on site.
- Extensive woodland areas for learning and play, and Forest School experiences led by qualified Forest School practitioners.
- Superb, age appropriate, all weather covered play areas, adventure playground and all-weather sports pitch.
- Direct access to the outdoors from all classroom areas.
- Superb orchard area and kitchen gardens.

Education, Curriculum and Care

- Work within the EYFS framework and enable children to reach their potential.
- Focus on the prime areas of learning and life skills.
- Reception class teacher oversees EYFS curriculum in nursery.
- Highly qualified and experienced team of specialist Early Years professionals, teachers and senior managers.
- Excellent staff to child ratios and key person systems.
- Opportunity for continuity and smooth transition into our primary school department.
- Forest School approach and experiences led by qualified Forest School practitioners.
- Range of extra-curricular opportunities including dance and languages.
- Extensive horticultural experiences and hands-on learning in the outdoors.

Parent Links

- Skilled and professional staff and key people who are always available to talk to parents.
- Daily Record sheets and regular emails issued.
- Children's learning journeys and records accessible and shared with parents.
- Active nursery Twitter account @ashbridgeschool, individual Twitter accounts for all age groups and Facebook page Ashbridge Independent School and Nursery.
- Wide range of family social events and activities.
- Ashbridge Families, parent body, open to all.

Fees

- Easy payment system by Direct Debit in place.
- Eligible to offer Free Early Year' Entitlement of both 15 and 30 hours. More details can be found at childcarechoices.gov.uk.
- Workplace childcare vouchers and tax-free childcare schemes accepted and can be used as part payment of nursery fees.

Quality, Monitoring and Standards

- Rated 'outstanding' in all areas in all previous and recent ISI inspection in June 2017.
- Active Members of National Day Nurseries Association and Independent Association of Prep Schools (IAPS).
- Accredited at Level 3 Quality Counts NDNA Quality Assurance scheme.
- Investors in People accredited for over 20 years.
- Extensive staff induction and continuous professional development.
- Internal quality of teaching and learning audits.
- Regular monitoring from specialist External Health and Safety consultants.

Health and Safety

- Regular health and safety audits.
- 5 star rating given by the Food Standards Agency.
- Comprehensive risk assessment and monitoring procedures in place.
- Smoke detectors fitted in every area and regular fire evacuation practices.
- Finger guards and safety cupboard locks installed.
- Safety glass in all windows.
- Comprehensive medication and accident policies and procedures.

Security

- Constantly supervised secure entrances.
- CCTV monitoring systems operate throughout the premises.
- Outstanding safeguarding procedures; all staff DBS cleared and monitored.
- Secure procedures for visitors and parents/carers collecting children in place.