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STANTON PRE-SCHOOL PROSPECTUS

STANTON PRE-SCHOOL
EARLY EDUCATION FOR 2 TO 5 YEAR OLDS
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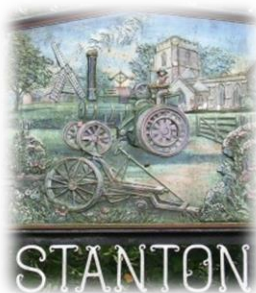
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Stanton Pre-School was founded as a playgroup in 1970, when it was then known as Stanton Parents and Under Fives. Over the past forty-six years it has evolved into a thriving centre for Early Years education for children from their second birthday up to the term before they turn five years old.

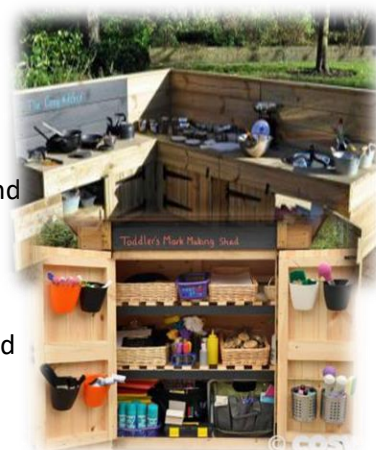
OUR MISSION STATEMENT:

"To provide high quality childcare and education in an environment that is safe and stimulating, where children learn about the world by playing, exploring and building on experiences and develop lifelong skills through play and discovery"



Our home is in the old Blackbourne School in the centre of the village of Stanton and is perfectly situated to cater for the children of Stanton and the surrounding villages. Our setting comprises of a large main room with a connecting kitchen and private office.

We also have an all-natural outdoor play area where the children are able to dig, build, climb and learn while interacting with nature. There is a planting area where the children produce vegetables in their own little cottage allotment and well stocked resource sheds for mark making and number work. We have an amazing mud kitchen where the children create weird and wonderful potions and mud stews as well as a bug hotel to learn all about bugs and creepy crawlies. For those quiet moments we have a sensory area which also provides some wonderful imaginary small world and fantasy play.





How Our Children Learn

Every child deserves the best possible start in life and the support to enable them to fulfil their potential. Children develop quickly in the early years and a child's experiences between birth and age five have a major impact on their future life chances. A secure, safe and happy childhood is important in its own right. Good parenting and high quality early learning together provide the foundations children need to make the most of their abilities and talents as they grow.

Stanton Pre-School is Ofsted registered and our dedicated Early Years Educators follow the guiding principles of the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) and the Five Outcomes for all young children.

The Four Overarching Principles of the EYFS:

1. Every child is a **Unique Child** who is constantly learning and can be resilient, capable, confident and self-assured.
2. Children learn to be strong and independent through **Positive Relationships**
3. Children learn and develop well in **Enabling Environments** in which their experiences respond to their individual needs and there is a strong partnership between Early Years Educators and parents/carers
4. Children **Learn and develop** in different ways and at different rates.



The Five Outcomes for The EYFS:

The five outcomes are universal ambitions for every child and young person, whatever their background or circumstances.

1. Be Healthy
2. Stay Safe
3. Enjoy and Achieve
4. Make a Positive Contribution
5. Achieve Economic Wellbeing



There are seven areas of learning and development that help shape educational programmes in early year's settings. All areas of learning and development are important and inter-connected. Three areas of learning are particularly crucial for igniting children's curiosity and enthusiasm for learning and for building their capacity to learn, form relationships, make sense and respect the world they live in, and to thrive. These three Prime areas are:

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



We also support children's learning and development in four Specific Areas, through which the three prime areas are strengthened and applied. The Specific Areas are:

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design



By supporting a child's development in all of these areas, we can equip them with the confidence they need to be school ready. Further information on the seven areas of learning, principles and outcomes for children can be seen on <http://www.foundationyears.org.uk/early-years-foundation-stage-2014>



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Parent Partnerships



We work closely with parents and carers to ensure the welfare, learning and all-round development of children with differing backgrounds and levels of ability, including those with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. All children are welcomed by their own Key Person, who will nurture the development of the child. They will compile a record of the child's key milestones, achievements and experiences throughout their time at Stanton Pre-School.

They will do this by way of an online Learning Journey



known as Tapestry, this is an interactive journal for parents/carers and Key Persons to support the child's needs and interests through careful and well thought out planning and partnerships. For more information on this please log on to <https://tapestry.info/>



We find the close links with all the local primary schools, and organised sessions where the pre-school children can meet their new teachers from the receiving schools support the children's transition in to school. The schools that we link with are:



The village of Stanton also benefits from an excellent Sure Start Children's Centre, offering various activities and much needed services for parents and children from Birth to Five years old.

For more information on the services they provide please contact them on 01359 254282 or Suffolk Families Information Service on 0845 6080033 or email bluebells@suffolk.gov.uk or <http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/childrenscentres>



We actively encourage parents/carers to come and see what we do for themselves. If you would like to pay us a visit, please contact us on 01359 251909. Stanton Pre-School is supported by a committee of volunteers, most of whom have children that attend the setting. If you would like to join the committee or require more information about how the pre-school is run please feel free to contact us



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Session Information and Session Fees

The setting operates every week day, during term time and we have a number of sessions available.

For non-funded children or children that exceed their government funded childcare we will invoice you on a monthly basis around the middle of each month. We ask that all fees are paid in full by the following month to avoid accruing late payment fees (charged at £5.00 per month) if you have difficulty in paying your fees please speak to the manager. (for further information please read our fees and admissions policies attached) Please note that the **minimum** a child can attend in a week is two sessions of more than 3 hours per session (there is no maximum)

Early morning starts	8 – 12	8 – 1	8 – 3	8 – 4	8 - 5	
	9 – 12	9 – 1	9 – 3	9 – 4	9 - 5	
Afternoon sessions			12 – 3	12 – 4	12 - 5	
			1 – 3*	1 – 4	1 -	
Fees	*Please note funded sessions must be a minimum of 2.5hrs,					
For all 2 yr olds	£4.00 ph	From September 2019				
For all 3/4 yr olds	£3.75 ph	From September 2019				
Snack per session	30p	From September 2019				

Following the term after your child's third birthday all 3 and 4-year olds will be entitled to 15 hours free government funded sessions per week. More information about help with funding for Early Years Education can be found at www.direct.gov.uk

This setting also accepts children who are entitled to 30 hrs funding <https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/free-childcare-and-education-for-2-to-4-year-olds>

In some circumstance it may be possible for two-year olds (following the first term after their second birthday) to receive government funding for 15 hours per week. <https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/free-childcare-2-year-olds>

Merchandise:

We do sell sweatshirts and T. Shirts in our pre-school colours however these are not compulsory. If you would like to make an order, please ask for an order form in pre-school. Our prices are as follows:

Red Sweatshirts	Sizes 1/2 yrs. and 3/4 yrs.	£11.00 each
Red T Shirts	Sizes 1/2 yrs. and 3/4 yrs.	£10.00 each
Red Sweatshirts	Sizes 5/6 yrs.	£12.00 each
Red T Shirts	Sizes 5/6 yrs.	£11.00 each



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Meet The Team

Please note: as well as formal qualifications our staff team are trained in Paediatric First Aid, Safeguarding, Food Hygiene, Makaton (Core team only), Asthmas and Allergies training, Two's are Special etc.

Manager – Lisa French

Other Roles –

Safeguarding Officer, Behaviour Officer, Ofsted Nominated Person

Relevant Qualifications –

BA Honours Degree Early Years – Working Together for Children

Level 5/6 in Youth and Childhood Studies

Level 5 Foundation Degree in Early Years

Level 4 Certificate in Early Years Practice



Deputy Manager - Eirwen Peters

Other Roles –

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Coordinator

Relevant Qualifications –

PGCE Early Years

Masters in Leadership and Management



Early Years Educator - Natalie Drake

Other Roles -

Safeguarding Deputy

Relevant Qualifications -

Level 3 Certificate in Early Years



Early Years Educator – Nicola Baddeley

Other Roles -

Attendance administrator

Relevant Qualifications -

Level 3 Certificate in Early Years

Early Years Educator – Lucy Foreman

Relevant Qualifications -

Level 3 Certificate in Early Years

Early Years Educator – Hannah Fincham

Relevant Qualifications -

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Student Support Staff

Lindsay Bradley - Working towards Level 3 in Early years

Toddler Group Representative

Lindsay Bradley



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What parents say about us

"Excellent pre-school. Very knowledgeable and caring staff. The staff went over and beyond to look after my Special Needs Son and brought him on so much x"

Jamesy and William's Mummy

"Absolutely amazing! My daughter loved it there and we would definitely recommend it. The staff are all amazing :) Holly misses you all x x"

Holly's Mummy

"A truly caring Pre-School. Which encouraged and helped my boys in so many ways... all the staff are so friendly and passionate about their work. I feel so confident leaving my child there knowing he will be as well looked after as what he is at home... Fantastic place thanks to Lisa and her team"

Kyle's Mummy

"Fantastic School, could not fault the hard work they all do!!!"

Isla's Mummy

I can't thank ya'll enough for all you have done for Ari! Thank you again

Ari's Mummy and Daddy

Amy & Gav, would like to thank each of you for looking after our 'Bossy Pants' she has blossomed so much since starting pre-school and learned so much from you all... You will all be so missed. Wishing you all the very best for the future

Lilly-May's Mummy and Daddy

Thank you for all you have done for Keanu and creating so many special memories for him. You are all amazing.

Keanu's Mummy

All the love and caring you have shown Jasper

Jasper's Mummy

Thanks for everything you have done, something we will not forget

Melodies family

Thanks you to all my friends and teachers

Oliver (aged 4)

Thank you all for all you do and to bring my boys out of themselves

Dylan and Jake's Mummy

Thank you to all my friends and snack and playdough. We will miss you

Lilly-May (aged 4)

Thank you for all your help over the last 2 years

Oliver's Mummy and Daddy

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It isn't only a pre school and a place of fun and learning for your children, it's a family, a community and a support system. The most wonderful pre-school me and my children could have asked for. I would give more than a 5 if I could! Love love love*

Jacobs Mummy (review left on our Facebook page)

My daughter started Stanton preschool when she was two and has just had her graduation to go to primary school! I would highly recommend this preschool to parents, the friendly staff that work here treat the children as they're own! Thank you for everything you have done with my Annie you all helped nurture her into the lovely (sometimes clumsy!) she is today! X

Anni's Mummy (review left on our Facebook page)

My son absolutely loves coming to Pre-school. All weekend he asks "can I go to pre-school today?" and doesn't like it when I say "it's your day off". All the staff are fantastic! Lisa has such a great supportive team. The amount of effort that goes into the children and their environment is extremely important to Lisa and her team.

William's Mummy (review left on our Facebook page)

Stanon pre school cannot be faulted.

The staff are unbelievably wonderful.

You can see from the smiles on each and every child's face just how much they feel safe, secure and are having fun.

I feel so fortunate that my Son has been able to attend for the last 18 months and I'm genuinely sad that he is going to big school in September!

Shay's Mummy (review left on our Facebook page)

I love this pre-school it's more like a family member than a school the staff are all so friendly and caring can't beat it it's the best a round x

Jake's Mummy (review left on our Facebook page)

Cannot speak highly enough of Stanton pre-school. Emily has been here for 2 1/2 years and I cannot thank them enough for the attention and love they have given her and all of the children at the school. A fabulous and family feel to the pre-school

Emily's Mummy (review left on our Facebook page)

The staff are amazing here. My son attended this pre school at the age of 3 and he absolutely loved going... Now my 2 year old daughter goes and she too loves it. She comes home telling me about her day with a massive smile and she cannot wait to go back the next day...

Jasmine's Mummy (review left on our Facebook page)

Lovely staff and lovely surroundings 🍀. My 2 eldest went and now my son and he absolutely loves it !!

Tyler's Mummy

This is the best pre school there is in my opinion...my granddaughter has been going here since she turned 2, we were going through a difficult time with personal circumstances and Lisa provided a bolt hole and an ear to listen. Lisa was also very helpful in her advice which helped get the situation sorted... As a family we are very sad millys time with them is coming to an end as her new adventure at school starts in September, her last day will be a very upsetting day xx

Amelia's Nanny (review left on our Facebook page)

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Dear Parent/Carer

Tapestry is an online E-learning journal to record the development of each child in our setting. This system allows us to work with parents and carers to share information and record the children's play and learning in and outside of the setting.

So what is 'Tapestry'...?

Tapestry provides each individual child with their own e-learning journey held online. Parents and carers create their own log-in using their email and password (which is pre-set by us but can be changed by you to make it more secure) All our key persons are given secure pin log-in number (which only work when the manager is logged in). Staff can then record and assess children linking to the EYFS curriculum, uploading photo or video media.

Staff have access to Tapestry on tablets (Samsung and Tesco Hudl) and a central laptop so they can upload observations and photographs on a weekly basis.

If you cannot access the internet at home/work we will offer you the opportunity to log-in at Stanton Pre school, or alternatively we will print out the observations for you (at a small cost).

As parents/carers **you can choose who has access to your child's e-learning journal**. If you would like both parents added or you wish to add grandparents/aunts/uncles etc. to the account please complete the additional person box on the permission form and they can be set up. Only those people who you have given permission to have a login and password will be able to see your child's journal.

The website is very easy to navigate your way around. Currently there is an App available on iTunes called 'TapestryMobile' or the website is <https://eylj.org/login/>. Currently there is not a user guide available this is something the designers of the software are working on. Tapestry is relatively new so designers are continually adding features and making updates, there is an Android App in the pipeline. If you require any help to use Tapestry please ask your child's key person and they can show you.

Here is our STEP by STEP guide (once you have notification from us that we have added your child):

To login to your child's journal

- Go into the website: <https://eylj.org/login/stanton-preschool>
- Put in your email and password
- Click on your child's journal and look through the observations.
- Add your own comments at the bottom of the observation.

Please take time to read the Privacy Policy from The Foundation Stage Forum Ltd who run the online site <https://tapestry.info/privacy.html/>

For us to be able to add your child on to Tapestry we require your permission and ask that you complete the slip below and hand back to a member of staff as soon as possible. With new children we do like them to settle in before making too many observations so please be patient this will normally take a couple of weeks.

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Child's Name:

Nominated Person/ Carer to be administrator on tapestry:

Your email is required to send you alerts and notifications. It is very important that this is correctly written. If possible, can you write your email in capitals and let us know if your email is capitals or lower case. If using underscores please let us know this.

Your email: _____

Please sign to say that you have fully read and understood the Online Tapestry Security Policy.

I have read the Tapestry Security Policy and understand the information I have been provided.

Parent/Carer's Name:

Signature:

Date: