



WMM
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Daycare & Pre-School

BATTERSEA

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Our ethos

All of our nurseries and pre-schools are bound together by the company ethos to provide exceptional standards of care and education, and yet each nursery has freedom to develop its own individual and unique character.

Each nursery has an independent, community feel whilst benefiting from being part of a larger, highly regarded and regionally acclaimed nursery group.

We are committed to working together to provide an enabling environment in which each child has the opportunity to become a happy, confident and independent learner, who will achieve their full potential.

Our values

Our nursery is committed to ensuring that our teaching, learning and caring environment promotes and upholds 'British Values' which involves valuing and being aware of the multicultural society we live in.

We do this by encouraging:

- Children to learn right from wrong
- Encouraging turn taking and sharing
- Encouraging inclusion
- Challenging (and encouraging children to challenge) negative attitudes and stereotypes
- Demonstrating (and encouraging children to demonstrate) mutual respect to one another and tolerance to those with different faiths and beliefs.



Who we are

Working Mums Daycare & Preschool – Battersea is the rebranded name for Blundells Nursery. It was purchased by the current owners in August 2015 after operating successfully, in private hands since 1991.

It is a private day nursery with two nurseries in Mortlake (established 1992) and East Sheen (established 2011) that also belong to the group. Working Mums Battersea cares for children from birth to five years and follows the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) framework.

The building is of historical interest and was the former Court House. With its high ceilings, large floor areas and private garden, the old court house is ideal for a nursery.

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Our aim

We hope to create the feeling of an extension to your family. Our primary concern is the child's well-being as well as learning new skills, acquiring new knowledge and demonstrating their understanding through the seven areas of development as set out in the EYFS.

We believe children learn more with their friends in a friendly caring environment. Consequently, we guide, encourage and praise because a child who is secure and happy displays confidence and independence.

Our days are designed to foster the joy of learning and the desire to explore which will remain with them throughout their young lives.

Key workers and interactive learning

Each child is assigned a key worker and each key worker will observe, assess and plan activities and experiences for your child suited to their interests as they support them in working towards their next steps in learning.

We use a safe online interactive learning diary (ILD) to carry out observations and assessments. The ILD has been designed to support home/nursery communication and to allow parents to take part in their child's progress.

The ILD is updated weekly. When parents log-in they are able to access their child's observations and outcomes, together with any photographic and video evidence. The parents are also able to upload observations and photographs made at home.



Curriculum

The Early Years Foundation Stage Framework explains how and what your child will be learning to support their healthy development.

Your child will be learning skills, acquiring new knowledge and demonstrating their understanding through 7 areas of learning and development.

Children should mostly develop the 3 prime areas first.

These are:

- **Communication and language**
This involves giving the children opportunities to experience a rich language environment, to develop their confidence and skills in expressing themselves and to speak and listen in a range of situations.

- **Physical development**
This involves providing opportunities for children to be active and interactive and to develop their coordination, control and movement. Children must also be helped to understand importance of physical activity and how to make healthy choices in relation to food.
- **Personal, social and emotional development**
Involves helping children to develop a positive sense of themselves and others, to form positive relationships and develop respect for others, to develop social skills and learn how to manage their feelings, to understand appropriate behavior in groups and to have confidence in their own abilities.

These prime areas are those most essential for your child's healthy development and future learning.



Curriculum Continued

As children grow, the prime areas will help them to develop skills in 4 specific areas.

These are:

- **Literacy**
This involves encouraging children to look at books, poems and other writing materials to ignite their interests; it also involves encouraging children to link sounds and letters and begin to read and write.
- **Mathematics**
This is about providing children with opportunities to develop and improve skills in counting, understanding and using numbers, calculating simple addition and subtraction problems, describing shapes, spaces, and measures.
- **Understanding the world**
This involves guiding children to make sense of the world around them and their community by giving them opportunities to explore, observe, and

find out about people, places, technology and the environment.

- **Expressive arts and design**
Involves enabling children to explore and play with a wide range of media and materials as well as providing opportunities and encouragement for sharing their thoughts, ideas, and feelings through a variety of activities in art, music, movement, dance, role play, and design and technology.

These 7 areas are used to plan your child's learning and activities. The professionals teaching and supporting your child will make sure that the activities are suited to your child's unique needs. This is a little bit like a curriculum in primary and secondary schools, but it is suitable for very young children, and it is designed to be really flexible so that staff can follow your child's unique needs and interests.

Children in the Early Years Foundation Stage learn by playing and exploring, being active, and through creative and critical thinking which takes place both indoors and outside.



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