

# **Priority: The Day Nursery becomes part of the school, ensuring continuity of provision, care, safeguarding and ethos.**

## **Why is this a priority?**

The merger of the Nursery provides the school with a fantastic opportunity to reach children and families earlier, engaging parents in their child's learning and offering support and guidance to families whose children may be in danger of falling behind; we need to ensure the nursery's procedures and ethos are the same as the school's.

## **High Quality Teaching and Learning**

Our hugely-experienced and outstanding EYFS Lead leads the provision for both settings. She works alongside all staff and leaders to ensure that the quality of provision is equitable across the setting.

## **An Exciting Outdoor Environment**

The outdoor environment is a unique selling point. We have a large woodland environment in which children are encouraged to play and explore. We believe that access to natural environments has a direct impact on children's wellbeing and education, which is why our children have free flow access to the outdoor areas throughout our sessions.

As well as our incredible natural woodland area, we also have a large vegetable patch and garden which we encourage the children to help develop and maintain, a soft-tarmac "balls and bikes" area, a "Secret Garden" complete with a Crooked Cottage and access to the school's large two acre playing field.

## **High Quality Indoor Environment**

Our nursery offers the best of both worlds with a well-resourced indoor environment where children have access to a variety of areas designed to enhance curriculum provision.

## **What impact will this have?**

The school absorbs the Private Nursery into its community ensuring continuity of provision, care, safety and ethos.

All children experience high-quality provision in a safe and well-managed environment.

Strong and effective links within the setting leads to a transparent and commonly-held ethos for high-quality EYFS provision.

The Nursery merger has a positive impact on children, families and the school community.