



Barnwood Nursery

“Care and education that parents trust and children enjoy.”



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Welcome to All My Friends Childcare!

Our early years setting is:

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Please call either of the numbers listed above to book a visit or request further information. We look forward to welcoming you to our nursery soon.

About us

All My Friends Childcare offers high quality care and education for children aged 3 months to 11 years at our settings in Gloucester. Our settings include:

- All My Friends Barnwood Nursery, a 70-place day nursery offering full day care 51 weeks of the year,
- All My Friends at Barnwood C of E Primary School, an out of school club offering breakfast and after school care, and holiday club for children from Reception age to Year 6 during the Gloucestershire school holiday periods,
- All My Friends at Brockworth Primary Academy, an out of school club offering after school care,
- All My Friends at Heron Primary School, an out of school club offering after school care.

We aim to make parents and carers' lives as easy as possible during the busy working week by providing everything that the children need during their time with us. We also appreciate how worrying it can be when you first leave your children at nursery - how will they settle? During your introductory sessions, we will agree with you how and when you want us to keep you in touch with your child's day, to make sure that you and your child feel settled and confident as soon as possible.

Our ongoing practice is to work closely in partnership with parents and carers to ensure continuity of care between each child's home and All My Friends environments. This approach ensures that the children feel safe, secure and comfortable when they are with us and helps us to better understand how we can meet the individual needs of each child and assist with his/her development.

Our highly qualified and experienced team is committed to providing a wide variety of play experiences for the children to enjoy with their friends that will help them to learn about the world around them. We encourage positive behaviour from the children by offering praise and encouragement and celebrating their individual and collective achievements.

We follow the Government's Early Years Foundation Stage framework, encouraging each child to develop a positive self-image and achieve a level of independence and social awareness that will enable them to cope well with the transition from nursery to school.

All My Friends Barnwood Nursery

Registered for 70 children between the ages of 3 months and 5 years, All My Friends Barnwood Nursery operates from a spacious, detached property set in large, secure grounds, conveniently located on one of the main routes leading into Gloucester city centre.

The nursery offers lots of indoor and outdoor space for the children's activities, including dedicated wet/messy play and eating areas, a large, enclosed garden with an outdoor classroom and designated base rooms for each age group. The base rooms are organised to enable the children to choose their activities and help themselves to the resources they need, allowing them to develop a level of independence under careful supervision. Babies have their own peaceful sleep room and bright, cheerful dining, play and changing areas.

Our programme of activities includes:

- regular rugby sessions given by a qualified external teacher.
- local trips and outings e.g. to the library, supermarket or park
- celebration of each child's birthday with a birthday cake and card

Our daily routines include:

- main meals enjoyed as social occasions, with the children seated in groups around small tables in the dining areas.
- morning and afternoon snacks and drinks: these are made available for the children to help themselves when they are ready.
- catering for special dietary needs, such as food allergies and intolerances, cultural preferences and vegetarianism, and celebrating festivals from a variety of cultures to introduce the children to new foods in a positive context.
- encouraging the children to clean their teeth after meals.
- establishing regular toileting routines that encourage early independence.
- regular nappy checks and changes in accordance with each child's individual needs, using disposable nappies and wipes.

The All My Friends Barnwood Nursery Team

We have a long-standing, highly qualified and experienced team of nursery staff, including a Qualified Teacher and Foundation Degree-qualified Early Years Practitioners leading the Early Years Foundation Stage framework in the nursery. Our staff are dedicated to providing high quality childcare and education in a stimulating, safe and nurturing environment. Our well-established in-house training programmes and support for staff studying relevant external qualifications help to keep them at the forefront of developments in Early Years and, as a result, to maintain and improve the children's nursery experiences.

Our Ethos

Our aim is to offer care that parents trust, and children enjoy and supporting this objective we have a comprehensive set of policies and procedures covering every aspect of our activities available for parents to view at each of our settings. The following extracts provide a brief introduction to our ethos and the way we operate.

Core Values

Our mission is to provide high quality care and education, that parents trust and children enjoy.

We do this by incorporating our three core values throughout our practice.

1. We are a learning culture.

Everyone is encouraged and supported to develop to their full potential and become the best they can be; children, staff and children's families.

2. We are all about friendship and community.

All My Friends settings are welcoming places of friendship. They are vibrant, collaborative, happy places for those who work and play there. Children, their families and staff will find empathy and support.

3. We have a culture of respect- for each other and our environment.

We always aim to be kind, open and respectful in our approach to children and adults in our settings and have high expectations of reciprocal treatment.

We have a pragmatic approach to making the best of the resources we have for the benefit of the children and their families and expect practitioners to model this respect and help the children to learn how to and the importance of caring for their environment.

Partnership with Parents

We take care to maintain effective communications with parents and promote a strong partnership approach. Parents and carers are the children's primary educators, and we recognise the role you have already played in the early education of your child. Your continued involvement is crucial to their development, and we will ensure that you are fully informed of your child's progress and achievements at nursery. We would ask that you also keep us in touch with anything from their home life that will assist us in caring for them/helping them to develop new skills.

We operate a key person system to ensure that each child has consistency of care while they are with us. The key person's focus is on building a close and nurturing relationship with your child to help them to feel that they have a 'special person' to turn to when their parents or carers are not there. The key persons record each child's developmental progress and share information with parents on a daily basis, as well as providing periodic written updates. The nursery managers and each child's key person are always available to discuss a child's development, progress, or other matters with parents. Opportunities for learning provided in the nursery can be continued in the home, for example reading and sharing books, and experiences initiated in the home are often used as stimuli for learning at the nursery.

Equal Opportunities

Each child is valued as an individual without reference to any stereotype and is respected for his/her differing racial origins, religion, culture, language, and abilities. We celebrate the differences, and the children are encouraged to value other people on equal terms.

We encourage both genders to participate in all nursery activities and we ensure that the nursery equipment reflects our multi-cultural society in a positive manner.

Special Needs

We follow the Special Educational Needs Code of Practice as set out by the Department for Education. Nursery staff work in partnership with parents and other professionals to meet each individual child's needs.

Each of our settings has a nominated Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator, who ensures that any specific learning programme or agreed treatment is correctly carried out and monitored. A written record of the child's achievements is kept to enable the co-ordinator to monitor and update progress. Staff caring for a child with a chronic illness or disability will work with parents and professionals to fully understand the condition and its implications and discover how we can help the child achieve his or her full potential.

Health

If your child becomes unwell while at nursery, we will telephone to advise you and request that you collect him/her. If you are unavailable, we will call other authorised contact numbers that you have supplied. In the event of an emergency, we will contact the emergency services and accompany the child to hospital, remaining with him/her until you arrive.

By law, we may only administer prescribed medication with written parental authorisation. Any prescribed medicines brought to the nursery must be clearly labelled with the child's name and dosage instructions. To cater for situations where a child's temperature becomes very high and the parent cannot immediately reach the nursery, we supply an emergency bottle of Calpol to be administered in emergency situations. We will contact the parents beforehand.

Please notify the nursery of any allergies, suspected or otherwise that your child may suffer, including the symptoms displayed.

Nursery Information.

Opening Hours and Session Times

Nursery is open between 8am and 6pm, Monday to Friday, 51 weeks of the year and closes on Bank Holidays and between Christmas and New Year.

A full day session is 10 hours 8am until 6pm, morning sessions are 8am until 1pm and afternoon sessions are, from 1pm to 6pm. We also offer a short-day session, designed to fit in with school hours, from 8.30am to 3.30pm.

Please note that there is a minimum attendance of two short day sessions, or the equivalent per week to enable the children to settle into nursery life.

Booking a Space

Prior to a child attending nursery, parents must complete and sign a contract and registration form. These forms provide the nursery with personal details relating to the child. For example, name, date of birth, address, emergency contact details, parental responsibilities, dietary requirements, collection arrangements, fees and sessions, contact details for parents, doctor's contact details, health visitor contact details, allergies, parental consent and vaccinations etc.

- We are unable to register a child or confirm a nursery place until the completed forms are returned, we have had sight of your child's birth certificate, and payment has been received into the Company's bank account of the registration fee of £50, along with a deposit payment the equivalent of the first month's fees at our current tariff.**

(**No registration fee or deposit payment is required for those children attending for fully funded nursery places only.)

- The deposit payment will be held on your child's account and offset against your first month's invoice.
- The deposit payment is non-refundable should you choose not to take up your child's nursery place, delay your start date or request a reduction in the number of sessions attended.
- With effect from the child's start date, one calendar month's notice is required to amend their attendance pattern.
- We regret that owing to the demand for places we are unable to hold a child's space open beyond the agreed start date unless the fees due during the period until the child's revised start date are paid as if they were attending. In this event, your child's place will be cancelled and the registration fee and deposit payment will be lost. The space will be offered to the next family on our waiting list. Should you require a nursery place in future it will be necessary to repeat the full registration process, including payment of the registration fee and deposit.

Current Nursery Tariff

The fully inclusive rates shown below will apply from April 2025. *

Hours of Attendance	Full Calendar Year	Term-time Only (38 weeks)
Full Time Monthly 8 - 6	£1520	
Full Day Session 8 - 6	£80.00	£82.00
Morning Only 8 - 1	£46.00	£48.00
Afternoon only 1 - 6	£44.00	£46.00
Short Day Session 8.30-3.30	£63.00	£67.00

We are closed on Bank Holidays and between Christmas and New Year and **do not charge for those days.**

We offer a **10% sibling discount** to all except the already discounted full-time rates. The discount will be applied to the eldest child's fees.

We accept payment by BACS, Tax Free Childcare, voucher and standing order.

Government Funded Care and Education

Government funded 9-month, 2-, 3- and 4-year-old places are available for any nursery session for 15 or 30 hours of government funding. You are able to use it term time only or stretched across the year in any of the session types shown above, subject to availability.

From 1st April 2025 8 fully funded places will be available stretched over the 50 weeks nursery is open during the year. These places will be offered as 5-hour afternoon sessions 1-6pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Additional charges apply to all except fully funded sessions. These charges cover the cost of meals, snacks and other consumables and services provided, which are not included in the funding rates we receive from Gloucestershire County Council to provide the government's funded childcare offer. For clarity they are broken down into 3 charge types:

- Food charge
- Non-food consumable charge
- Activities charge

The additional charge breakdown is:

Food Charges

Session	Meal / Snack Type	Session Food Charge
Full Day Session (10 hours)	Breakfast Mid-morning snack 2 Course Lunch Mid afternoon Snack 2 Course Tea	£11
Short Day Session (7 hours)	Breakfast Mid-morning snack 2 Course Lunch Mid afternoon Snack	£8
Morning Session (5 hours)	Breakfast Mid-morning snack 2 Course Lunch	£6.50
Afternoon Session (5 hours)	Mid afternoon Snack 2 Course Tea	£4.50

Nappy Provision Charge

Supply and compliant disposal of nappies, wipes, disposable aprons and gloves used to protect children and staff during personal care.

8.00-
8.45am

10.00-
10.30am

11.30am-
12.45pm

2.00-
2.30pm

3.45-
4.15pm

Clothing

Clothing should be comfortable and practical: whilst we make every effort to protect the children's clothing during messy activities, they do get dirty, so it is better not to send your child in their 'Sunday best'! We also ask you to supply a change of clothes, 'just in case', particularly for babies. The children enjoy spending time outside in most weathers, so a coat and wellies are needed for cooler weather and sun cream and hats are required in summer. Please ensure that all clothing is marked with your child's full name.

Security

Access to the nursery entrance is controlled and monitored by the nursery management team, with additional security provided by a biometric door entry system which uses facial recognition to allow entry only to authorised nursery personnel and parents. CCTV cameras are also in place covering all approaches to the nursery building and grounds.

We will use your confidential password or security number supplied on the contract to identify anyone collecting your child who we have not previously met. In the interest of security, please notify the Nursery Managers in advance if someone else will be collecting your child. The Managers will always be available to meet and greet children on arrival and departure from the nursery.