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# Early Years Unit Fishergate Primary School. York





# Welcome!

Welcome to the Early Years at Fishergate Primary School. We provide part-time Nursery places in morning and afternoon sessions throughout the week and full-time places for all of the children starting in the school year that they are five.



We provide a happy, caring, lively and exciting learning environment. Our aim is to provide a setting where each child, with careful nurturing, will learn to express themselves confidently and develop to their full potential .

## What our parents and children say



Our child is thriving! She is being supported and challenged in her learning and development. We are extremely grateful for your fantastic work!

The perfect start for my child.

Love EYU! Staff are fab, I'm extremely happy with how my child is progressing thanks to the team.

Excellent unit with all staff being open, friendly and tuned into the needs of the children.

Fantastic teachers. Couldn't ask for better for my son, all so helpful and always make the children feel they have got time for them.





## Admissions and Session Times

We follow the city of York's admission policy for the Early Years. Nursery aged children are entitled to a maximum of five part time sessions per week, either morning or afternoon sessions.

Please indicate, when accepting a place, how many and which sessions you require. The children start to attend full-time in the school year that they turn five.

Morning session: 8:40am – 11:40am  
Afternoon session: 12:15pm – 3:15pm



## The Early Years Team



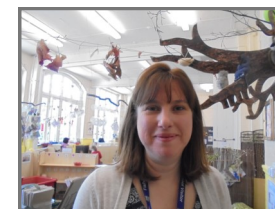
Sahar Dibden  
Early Years Leader



Lisa Dewhurst  
Early Years Teacher



Sarah Burland  
Teaching Assistant



Debbie Adkinson  
Teaching Assistant



Pippa Ensor  
Teaching Assistant



Sallie Fisher  
Teaching Assistant

All of the members of the Early Years team have specialist qualifications to enable them to provide quality, play based, learning opportunities for all our children. All experiences are through play based activities.





# Our Ethos

The experiences of every child at this age are of utmost importance. Good Early Years practice is fun, lively, vibrant and child centred with lots of time for independent learning through child-led play provision. It is centred around hands-on experiences and challenges children's conceptions of the world around them.



Our Early Years Unit at Fishergate school is one of the most ethnically diverse within the city of York, our children come from a range of cultural backgrounds. In our Early Years provision, ethnic diversity and the children's different experiences are always celebrated.

# Our Setting



We devote lots of time for our children to explore, investigate and develop their own ideas. By careful nurturing, and observations of the children's interests, motivations and learning styles, we aim to provide learning opportunities tailored to their individual needs. In this way, the children learn new skills and develop their understanding of the world around them through following their interests. Our full-time children also have short literacy and maths sessions which are fun, lively and interactive.

