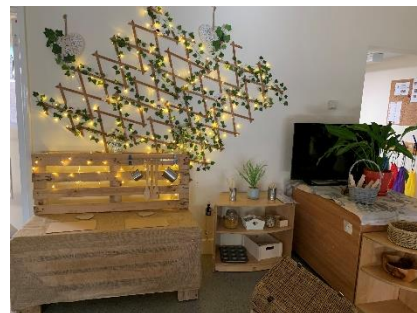




Welcome to Ronald Tree Nursery School



We play, learn and grow!



Please read this leaflet carefully.

If you have any questions please telephone the office on 01536-514240.

How to contact us

Phone: 01536 514240

Email: finance@ronaldtreenursery.co.uk

Website: www.ronaldtreenursery.co.uk

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Safeguarding

Everyone at Ronald Tree is committed to keeping every child safe. If we have any concerns we will share them with parents/ carers as soon as possible. We are obliged to pass on information and involve relevant services if we believe a child is at risk of harm.

If you have any concerns about a child please ask to speak to one of our safeguarding team:



Deb Thwaites
Headteacher
Safeguarding Lead



Chris Whitney
EYP Teddy Bear room
Deputy Safeguarding Lead



Mel Perkins
Family Support Worker
Deputy Safeguarding Lead



Term Dates 2023-2024

4 th September	Staff Training Day
5 th & 6 th September	Home Visits
7 th & 8 th September	Returning Children
11 th to 15 th September	Settling in Sessions
23 rd to 27 th October	Half Term Holiday
21 st December to 3 rd January	Christmas holiday
4 th and 5 th January	Home Visits
8 th January	Term begins
19 th to 23 rd February	Half Term Holiday
29 th March to 12 th April	Easter holiday
15 th April	Staff Training Day
16 th April	Term Begins
6 th May	Bank Holiday
27 th May to 31 st May	Half Term Holiday
23 rd July	End of Term

Consumables

We ask all parents for £2.50 per week to cover the cost of the food your child receives as snack and some consumable resources. Where children attend for 30 hours we ask for £5 each week. Any surplus money is put towards treats for the children at Christmas, Easter and end of the year. Please put the money in an envelope with your child's name and the amount clearly marked on the outside and hand in on a Monday to the person on the door greeting your child. We are happy to receive money weekly, monthly or termly. Thank you.

Remember to follow us on [Facebook](#) for up to the minute news & information

At Ronald Tree Nursery: We play, learn and grow!



The Leadership Team



Deb Thwaites
Headteacher



Jackie Wilson
Teacher



Chris Whitney
EYP Teddy Bear Room



Mandy Coles
School Business Manager

Key Workers & Assistants



Liz Jones Gruffalo Room
EYP Green group AM



Jo Smith Gruffalo Room
EYP Green group PM



Sarah Towell Gruffalo Room
EYP Yellow group



Victoria Morris Gruffalo
Room EYP Purple group



Sabrina Devine Elmer
Room EYP Blue group



Lisa Clark Elmer Room
EYP Orange group



Jemma Hawkes Elmer
Room EYP Red group



Carol Walding
Early Years Assistant



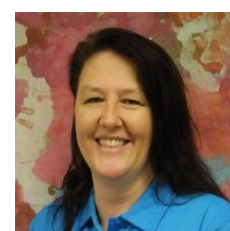
Agata Kwiecien EYP
Teddy Bear room



Adele Randall
Nursery Worker



Carmela Clark
Nursery Worker



Mel Perkins
Family Support Worker



Carolyn Carter
SEND Assistant



Jaime Walker
SEND Assistant



Sinead Gracey
Finance and Admin



Lucy Myers
Cleaner



Addie Holmes,
Cleaner in Charge

Our Ronald Tree Family—The staff team

What do I need to bring with my child?

We play outside every single day. Please make sure your child arrives in a suitable coat for the weather. A drawstring bag will be provided for you to keep the following items in at nursery:

- A full set of spare clothes at all times. All items **to be marked with your child's name**.
- Warm hat in winter & a sun hat in summer. Named sun cream for children staying all day.
- *If your child is not yet potty trained:* make sure there are 2 nappies, suitable wipes and nappy bags in your child's bag each day. **We do not supply these items.**

Please send your child in clothes that are easy for them to fasten themselves, e.g. jogging bottoms and Velcro shoes rather than jeans and lace up shoes. No open toed sandals. Your child **WILL** get dirty! Please do not send your child in their best clothes.

Funded Entitlements and Additional Hours

All parents are entitled to 570 hours each year from the term after their child's third birthday. Or some children are entitled the term after they turn age two. This is available as 15 hours each week during term time at Ronald Tree Nursery School, as either a morning or an afternoon place, Monday to Friday. We have a dedicated room for our funded 2 year olds.

Where we have capacity, parents of 15 hours funded three and four year olds may buy additional hours beyond these session times. This includes:

- Breakfast club (8am to 8.30am breakfast included) currently £3.00 per day;
- Lunch club (11.30 to 12.30 please provide a packed lunch) currently £5.00 per day; or
- Afterschool club to 4pm currently £2.50 or to 4.30pm currently £5.00 per day.

Where parents meet the government criteria, and where we have capacity, children may attend for 1140 hours each year/30 hours each week during term time. We offer of flexible options for parents e.g. :

- 4 Days e.g. 8.00am to 3.30pm or 8.30 to 4.00pm

If parents would like their child to attend for more than 30 hours per week, the additional hours are charged at a flat rate (currently £5/hour).

Please note that if your child has attended another nursery or childminder and you have claimed your entitlement over the full year rather than in term time only, this will affect the number of funded hours you can claim at Ronald Tree Nursery School. Please let us know if this is the case.

You can check whether you are eligible for 2 year old or 30 hours funding by visiting **www.childcarechoices.gov.uk** . You can also use this website to register for tax free childcare payments, which we accept.

Please speak to Mandy or Sinead via Reception for more information on any of the above.

OUR RULES

Our nursery school rules are linked to our values.

CONFIDENCE

We look after ourselves.

CONSIDERATION

We look after others and our nursery.

COLLABORATION

We work as a team.

CREATIVITY

We solve problems and share our ideas.

CURIOSITY

We try new things.

We promote our school rules through positive reinforcement, staff modelling, and praise.



When is the Nursery open?

Monday to Friday 8am to 4.30pm

Term dates are on the back of this leaflet.

Please be on time when dropping off and collecting your child as children get upset if they see others arriving or leaving at different times.

You must let us know in advance if someone different is collecting your child.

Please ring on **01536-514240** if this is a last minute decision.

Attendance

Nursery places are in great demand so please use your place well. To enable your child to get the most from what the nursery offers it is important to come regularly.

However if your child is unwell please do keep them at home until they are better.

All our policies relating to admissions, attendance and medical conditions can be found on the school website.

If your child has **sickness or diarrhoea please keep them at home for 48 hours after the last bout, as this spreads very quickly with young children.**

If your child is absent from nursery for *any* reason, please let us know on **01536-514240 or on the 'Reach More Parents' App**

Thank you.

If you wish to take your child on holiday during term time you must let the nursery know by completing an absence form. Please note this may affect your entitlement to funding from the local authority and may result in a charge.

The Ronald Tree Curriculum



Confidence

Having a strong sense of self



Collaboration

Working with others



Consideration

Respectful and understanding of others



Our values

Creativity

Having their own ideas



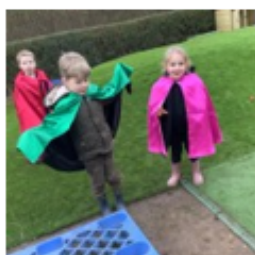
Curiosity

Investigating and exploring



Inspiring our children to be happy, lifelong learners.

We play, learn and grow!



Characteristics of effective learning

Statutory guidance to develop children's character and attitudes to learning

Outdoor Learning

We have a brilliant outdoor space and children access it every day. We provide opportunities for risk taking, collaboration and problem-solving

The content and approaches we use to teach our curriculum

7 areas of development in the EYFS

We teach the statutory areas of development as required in the EYFS.

We choose to use the non-statutory guidance in Development Matters to track progression and moderate expectation.

Planned learning experiences

While we follow much of the Planning in the moment approach, we recognise that our children need adult identified tasks too. Things that we believe all children should have the opportunity to experience such as: sharing classic children's books and traditional tales, planting a seed and watching it grow, going to the shops and using money, cooking a snack or a meal – so we plan these in as part of our curriculum over the year.



Focus child observations

We have taken this idea from the Planning in the moment approach. Each child gets a turn to have a week in which the team observe them in detail and work with their family to identify strengths and areas of future focus.

Communication friendly settings

We recognise that many of our children join us with low levels of expressive and responsive language.

Therefore we have a particular focus on developing language skills using many of the techniques and resources shared in Communication Friendly Settings

