



fernbees

*caring today for a **brighter** tomorrow*



# About Us

**We are a successful family owned and managed enterprise who have operated healthcare services in and around Greater Manchester for the past 30 years**

With three generations of family members actively involved in the day to day running of the business, **family values** form an important part of our service.

Over the years, it became evident to us, through links with local schools and nurseries, that there are significant benefits to **interaction between older people and young children**. On this basis, we committed to developing our first 30-place day nursery on the grounds of our flagship service, Fernlea.

With an extensive background in caring for others, and a philosophy based on family values, we are perfectly positioned to offer first-class childcare services in an exciting environment designed to promote curiosity, nurture imagination, and encourage children to discover new perspectives through the formation of inspiring new relationships.







# Our Philosophy

**Our Philosophy represents our beliefs and provides us with the foundation on which we can build and fulfil our goals.**

Studies find that children experience a greater sense of self-esteem, and empathy after regular interaction with the older generation.

Located on the grounds of Fernlea, intergenerational interaction is designed into our service.

Our aim is to give our children the most effective opportunities to develop their imagination, take risks and accept challenges, and form relationships with people of all walks of life and all ages.

Our children are our main focus, our number one priority and are at the centre of everything we do.

We recognise that every child is unique when they come to us and our values have been designed to embrace and celebrate each child's differences.



**Our Values** →

# Empowerment

We place our children at the centre of their learning and development, designing their time with us around their needs and interests inside a warm, safe and secure environment where they feel at home

# Individuality

We treat our children with the respect they are due, remembering at all times their uniqueness and encouraging them to embrace their individuality

# Imagination

We inspire our children to ignite their curiosity and lose themselves in their imagination by engaging in creativity, exploration, and adventure

# Challenge

We engage our children in exciting and challenging learning experiences to spark motivation for future learning and develop confidence to approach new challenges

# Kindness

We promote a culture of kindness, integrity, and empathy. We will ensure our children understand the importance of respecting others and accepting difference



# Why Fernbees?



## Intergenerational Activity



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## Features

At Fernbees we aim to inspire our children with a sense of awe and wonder and our facilities enable us to do this. Our OMi system, shared cinema, and shared restaurant offer excellent opportunities for curiosity and development.



## Fernlea



Our integration with Fernlea enables us to draw on a rich resource base including our commercial kitchen, an excellent relationship with existing suppliers, and a wonderful team.



## Outdoor play



With an expertly designed, secure outdoor play area and direct and safe access into Torkington Park, there are endless possibilities for outdoor play and learning.

## Design

Fernbees has been designed with children's exploration and interaction in mind. Our open plan space encourages children to explore their surroundings with confidence and provides ample opportunity for interaction between different age groups.



## Sustainability



We are passionate about setting a good example for our children and so our nursery has been designed with sustainability in mind and features a heat recovery system, air conditioning, LED lighting throughout, and is insulated to a high level.



# Key Features



From fields to mountains, numbers to letters, and the depths of the ocean to outer space, our children have the opportunity to immerse themselves in an interactive world using our state-of-the-art OMi interactive system.

## Cinema

Our shared cinema offers brilliant opportunities for interaction between our younger and older generations. Our children can settle down and share their favourite films with others.



## Restaurant



Regular use of the shared restaurant facilities at Fernlea offers a great opportunity for children to learn table manners and respect of others in a safe and friendly environment.





# Nutrition





**We believe that mealtimes should be an enjoyable and social occasions for children and staff alike.**

Our menus are designed to promote delicious, nutritious, and balanced mealtimes prepared in our commercial kitchen by our fully qualified kitchen team.

To ensure our produce is top quality we use trusted suppliers

with whom we have formed a strong relationship over many years.

Our menus are reviewed regularly and given to families as part of our induction process.

Our daily routines include the following meals:

***Breakfast***

***Mid-morning snack***

***Lunch***

***Mid-afternoon snack***

***Tea***





# Bits and Bobs

## Opening Hours

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Full Day	7am -6pm	7am -6pm	7am -6pm	7am -6pm	7am -6pm
Morning Session	7am-12pm	7am-12pm	7am-12:m	7am-12pm	7am-12pm
Afternoon Session	1pm-6pm	1pm-6pm	1pm-6pm	1pm-6pm	1pm-6pm

## Pricing

The pricing at Fernbees includes a healthy and nutritious breakfast, lunch, and tea made in our commercial kitchen by a fully qualified kitchen team, two healthy snacks throughout the day, and drinks.

We kindly ask our parents to provide personal items such as nappies and baby formula where required.

On joining us, each child will be provided with a Fernbees T-shirt,

On occasions where it is raining, the nursery keeps a stock of waterproof clothing to ensure we can all still enjoy outdoor play even when the weather is against us!

Our most recent prices can be found on our website.

## Early Years Foundation Stage

Fernbees has been specifically designed to facilitate the Early Years Foundation Stage and develop at a pace that suits them.

Our environment and resources have been chosen with the development, imagination, and inspiration of children in mind. Our resources offer plenty of opportunities for children to explore

We embrace our children as unique individuals and understand they will all have different development goals and we work alongside the children and their parents/carers to meet these.

## Finding Us

We are located on Torkington Road with convenient access for parents who are passing the setting on the commute to work. There is ample parking available on our grounds with a dedicated drop-off and pick-up zone.

We are also directly accessible from Torkington Park and benefit from two overspill public car parks.







# Intergenerational



generation can also have long term effects on the development of key social skills as children who regularly interact with the elderly have been found to develop a greater level of self-confidence, self-esteem, and empathy for others.

**There has been increasing focus on the benefits of intergenerational interaction for both elderly people and young children.**

Developed on the recommendation of our resident community at Fernlea in Hazel Grove, "Fernbees Day Nursery" is the first nursery situated on the grounds of a care home in Greater Manchester .

By engaging with people of all ages and all walks of life, children can improve their understanding of the world and experience a wealth of important life experiences by listening to the stories of the older generation. Key studies have shown that interaction with the older





Our Children



Our area is bright and airy with lots of natural light for the comfort of babies who are moving around and exploring.

We pride ourselves on enabling our babies the opportunity to explore confidently and safely in their own space and at their own pace.

All our babies have flexible, planned activities that allows them to engage with a stimulating environment and engage their natural curiosity.

## Our Babies

Our baby area caters for children up to 18 months. It is separated from the older children but allows babies to interact with others where possible.

We recognise how important it is that your baby has the best start in life and our baby area has been designed with plenty of space for resting, exploring, and being curious.





## Toddlers and Older Children

Our toddlers and older children have their own space to explore, gain confidence and embrace opportunities for learning while having ample opportunity for interaction between age groups.

Our spaces are bright with natural light, colourful, and packed with opportunities designed to empower our children to embrace their individuality by leading their own play and exploring their imagination.



Our spaces are designed to allow children to embrace challenges with the support of qualified staff who are trained to ensure children get the most out of their experiences.

Our environment facilitates a huge range of activities from messy play, to OMi exploration, to quiet reading all designed to develop communication and language skills, numeracy, literacy, and understanding.





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