80 Admissions

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| EYFS: 3.28 – 3.31, 3.55, 3.58 |

At **New Studio Preschool** we care for **24** children between the ages of **2** and **5**.

The numbers and ages of children admitted to the preschool comply with the legal space requirements set out in the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS). When considering admissions, we are mindful of staff: child ratios and the facilities available at the preschool.

The preschool uses the following admission criteria, which is applied in the following order of priority:

1. Looked after children
2. A child known by the local authority to have special educational needs and/or a disability (SEND) and whose needs can be best met at the preferred nursery
3. A vulnerable child with either a Child Protection or a Child in Need Plan, or in receipt of other local authority support
4. Children who have siblings who are already with us/ or have been with us
5. Children whose parents live within the area.

We operate a waiting list and places are offered on first come first served and availability basis.

We operate an inclusion and equality policy and ensure that all children have access to preschool places and services irrespective of their gender, race, disability, religion or belief or sexual orientation of parents.

Prior to a child attending preschool, parents must complete and sign a contract and registration form. These forms provide the preschool 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.

**Providers eligible to provide government funded places for early education**

All settings registered to accept government funding (detailed in the code of practice) must offer free places for two- to five-year-olds for early learning sessions specified by the local authority.

At **New Studio Preschool** we currently provide free funded places subject to availability. These places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Please note for admissions for the free nursery education we have a termly intake, beginning the term following your child’s third birthday.

All funded sessions are now in line with the flexible arrangement as specified by the Government. When you register your child for their funded place, we will discuss your needs and, as far as possible with availability and staffing arrangements, we will accommodate your wishes. We reserve the right to limit and/or have specific funded sessions, according to our business requirements.

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| **This policy was adopted on** | **Signed on behalf of the nursery** | **Date for review** |
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