Our Nursery

Based in Boddam, Peterhead, we provide a caring and family-oriented environment to encourage your child’s development. We place children at the heart of everything we do and we are committed to providing a learning environment where children feel valued and have great fun with a range of activities each week. We have a fantastic staff team who nurture close relationships with the families and children in our care. Our nursery has spacious, bright areas dedicated to each stage of development from birth to 5 years of age. We provide childcare from 7am – 6pm and are open all year round except for Christmas. We offer full time and part time sessions and we also work in partnership with Aberdeenshire Council to provide fee funded places for eligible 2 year olds and pre-school children.

Visit us!

If you haven’t already done so, we recommend you visit our nursery to see all of our fantastic facilities for yourself! We can accommodate any weekday and will be as flexible as we can to fit around your family’s needs. If you would like to book your nursery visit or require more information, please contact us on 01779 476 888 (Select option 2) or email enquiries@bertramuk.com.

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Visit www.buoysandgullsnursery.co.uk
Our Childcare Approach

Buoys and Gulls Nursery provides stimulating and inspiring childcare. We are passionate about quality Early Years Care and Education and recognise the importance of each child’s self-development. We believe that children learn through play, example, interaction and teaching. These four concepts form the core of our ethos and we strive to expand your child’s development through these methods. We help every child in every aspect of their growth and achieve this through praise, guidance and encouragement. Children will develop manners, learn to be kind, share, and respect others, as well as being stimulated creatively and mentally through our child-led activities. Our child-led activities allow our children to flourish into independent and confident individuals. Above all, we strive to provide a secure and friendly environment which will make you completely relaxed and at ease when leaving your child.

Free Settling in procedure

Your child will be settled into our nursery gradually to ensure a smooth transition. Our complimentary settling in sessions will last as long as your little one requires. We understand that every child is different, and our aim is to make these sessions as flexible and comforting as possible to guarantee that both you and your child are happy. Once your child starts with us they will be assigned a designated key person who will carry out a full induction with you and your child. Your child's key person will be responsible for monitoring your child's development and will be your first point of contact at nursery. Your child's key person will always be available to discuss your child's progress.

Our Team

Our staff team comprises of a blend of experienced and professionally qualified nursery practitioners, and trainees, who are working towards their qualifications. All staff are skilled in expertly guiding your child through the wonders of learning whilst playing. Our staff are dedicated to treating your child with patience, affection, enthusiasm and understanding. All staff participate in ongoing training to constantly progress their own skills, knowledge and abilities.

With a professional qualification in childcare and over 40 years of experience working with children of all ages I manage my nursery and staff team to ensure we provide a secure family environment where you can feel relaxed and confident in the knowledge that your child is being cared for by dedicated staff in a safe environment*

Linda Adamson- Nursery Manager
Our Playrooms

Our playrooms are generously proportioned, carefully planned, and extensively resourced to create inspiring learning environments in which children can grow and learn with confidence. Each playroom has access to outdoor play areas, offering the opportunity for regular outdoor learning opportunities across all areas of the curriculum. A set of development records are held for each child in the nursery and on our E-Learning Journals. These are available for viewing at all times and are continuously updated with pictures and observations made on your child’s progress. Access to your child’s E-Learning Journal is available 24 hours a day so you don’t miss out on anything and strict confidentiality is maintained at all times.

Our nutritionally balanced menus ensure our children are given a wide variety of healthy and delicious foods to set them up for their fun filled days of learning! Children are offered a range of delicious, nutritious meals and snacks. Our wholesome and nourishing menus are expertly designed to give your little one the very best start in life. The meals we provide are all home-cooked within our nursery by our experienced, on site nursery chef, Jennifer. We have carefully created a 3 week rolling menu using National guidance “Setting the Table” document which ensures a healthy well balanced diet for all children. Whenever possible we try to source all our food locally and organically, including seasonal vegetables and fruit. We believe that by providing our children with nutritional food, bursting with fresh fruit and vegetables, is a necessity in each child’s physical and mental well-being.

We are pleased to cater for all dietary requirements! Our Nursery Chef would be happy to meet with you to discuss your needs.

Vegetarian
Dairy Free
Vegan Friendly
Gluten Free
Outdoor Play

We love to get outside at Buoys and Gulls nursery! We make great use of our gardens, each of which are dedicated to different stages of development. Our Babies can use a range of age-appropriate resources including a slide and trampoline. Our Toddlers love playing in our messy mud kitchen and willow area, zooming about on bikes and much more! We also have a large outdoor area which our pre-schoolers can access directly. This area includes a concrete area for physical games, a grass area for active play, a mud kitchen for exploring, large climbing apparatus, a bug hotel, natural materials for construction and exploring, and a vegetable and flower garden where the children plant, observe and help grow vegetables and flowers. We regularly take children out in our local community and offer opportunities for our children to visit the Local Park and beach. We believe there is no such thing as bad weather, only inappropriate clothing, so we ask that parents provide their children with appropriate clothing for all types of weather.

Caring about our planet

We are committed to being an environmentally friendly nursery, making changes wherever we can in order to make the world a cleaner place! We are a registered ECO-Nursery and are committed to teach our children about their environment and the effect we have on it in our day to day lives. Our children are passionate recyclers and love nothing more than an afternoon caring for their garden. We always consider environmental implication when planning activities for our children. We will continue in our green approach to develop strong environmental awareness within our children, helping their little green fingers to care for the world for many years!

Activities

We are delighted to be able to offer our children further opportunities for their development. That’s why we are pleased to offer additional activities currently including: Early Math, Baking and Cooking and Daily Mile. As well as our additional classes children also benefit from regular community outings, celebration of festivals throughout the year and fundraising activities. For their final year at nursery we celebrate our children going off to School with their very own Graduation!
What’s included?

Sessions & Fees

Full and part time sessions available as well as pre school funding. Contact us for more Information or to arrange a viewing of our nursery. Some of our age groups/sessions fill more than a year in advance so we recommend enquiring as early as possible to ensure you get the sessions and start date you require.

Funding, Discounts & Offers

• 3-5 year old funding available
• Sibling discount
  *Terms & conditions apply

Activities & Extras

• Settling in Sessions
• Quality Early Years Care and Education
• Quality resources and equipment
• Freshly made, healthy meals and snacks
• E-Learning Journals
• Tablets & Digi Table
• Parents evenings
• The Daily Mile
• Celebration of festivals throughout the year
• Regular outings in the local area
• Graduation ceremony when ready to move on to primary school

Help with Childcare Costs

Visit www.buoysandgullsnursery.co.uk

• Child/Working Tax Credits
• Childcare Vouchers
• Tax Free Childcare

Book your Nursery Place

We would love to welcome you to Buoys and Gulls Nursery and secure your nursery place. To do this, you need to; complete our Parent Agreement, Child Details Form and pay a £50 registration fee. Please contact us for a copy of our registration forms and we look forward to confirming your place.
Social Media

We use social media to keep our parents updated with events, offers and day to day activities at our nursery. We also believe it is a great and convenient way for us to receive your feedback and suggestions. Follow "The Bertram Nursery Group" for all nursery updates.

Award Winning Childcare

See what our parents have to say on www.daynurseries.co.uk. We are very proud of the wonderful reviews parents have submitted about our nursery:

“Cannot recommend this nursery enough! The carers are great with my child! And he loves going to the nursery! He has come along great since being there and has learned a lot. Truly grateful for him to be there.” Karla – Mother of child

“Really happy with how my eldest has settled. After working in a nursery myself for 13 years I have a high standard of what I like and then had a bad experience with his first nursery in 2018 so was delighted when he got his space at Buoys and Gulls Nursery and settled so quickly. Staff are so friendly.” Stacy – Mother of child

“The Care Inspectorate

We are regulated by The Care Inspectorate and by Environmental Health Services to help us maintain the highest possible standards within our nursery. Should you wish for any further information please do not hesitate to contact them on 0845 600 9527. We are proud of our regulatory reports and these are available for you to view within our nursery and on our website.