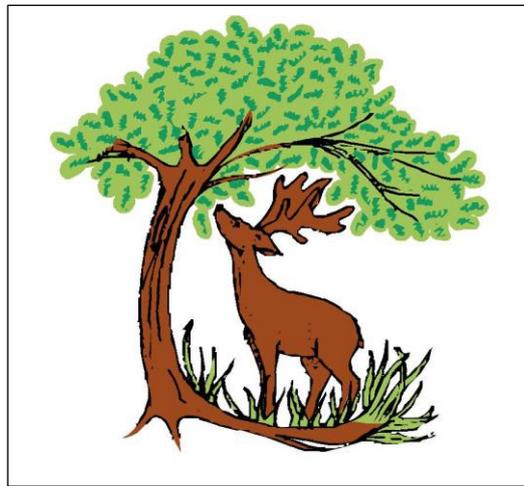


# Willow

## Nursery Prospectus

### 2017-18



At Hethersett Woodside Infant &  
Nursery School

***“Where children learn to care, share  
& grow”***

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## **Willow Nursery – Where children learn to care, share and grow.**

At Hethersett Woodside Willow Nursery you are assured of a warm welcome for your child and family. Our environment is warm, welcoming and nurturing and enables children to take their first steps away from home, whilst teaching them skills necessary for starting school. Our children feel secure, confident and happy and demonstrate an eagerness to learn.



Willow nursery is a maintained school nursery providing care and education for children aged 3-4 years. We are a provider of Government funded early years education entitlement and offer both the universal 15 hours and extended 30 hours entitlement. This can be linked with our breakfast and afterschool club to provide families with flexible childcare.

We have 26 places in both our morning and afternoon classes, with lunchtime and all day provision for up to 10 children each day. Please see the prospectus below for package details.

Our Nursery class is taught and managed by our Assistant Head Teacher who oversees all Early Years education across the school and holds a recognised Early Years specialist qualification - Early Years Professional Status (EYPS). She is supported by a team of experienced nursery assistants who work as a team to run the nursery. We follow the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum (EYFS), which continues in our school Reception classes.

Parents and the wider family are important to our work and we offer regular opportunities throughout the year to join us for play sessions and information evenings.

Our nursery teacher is also the Early Years SENDCO for the school and liaises closely with Sure Start, speech therapists, health visitors and other professionals to provide tailored support where needed. For further information please see the SEN section of our website.

For further details of our provision, please view our prospectus below.

## **Admissions**

Our setting offers Early Years universal and extended entitlement for 3 and 4 year olds. Children generally start in the September of the academic year in which they are four. If there are spaces available for the Spring and Summer terms, we offer these to children on our waiting list in the term after which they are three.

We hold an information evening in January for prospective families to view our provision and nursery offer.

Please click on the link to read our full [admissions policy](#) \*. An admissions form can be downloaded from the 'key information' section of our website.

## **Session times and flexible packages**

Early Education is offered to families for 38 weeks of the year. The funded hours can be claimed:

Mon –	8.30-11.30	or	12.00 – 3.00	or	9.00 – 3.00
Tues –	8.30-11.30	or	12.00 – 3.00	or	9.00 – 3.00
Wed –	8.30-11.30	or	12.00 – 3.00	or	9.00 – 3.00
Thurs –	8.30-11.30	or	12.00 – 3.00	or	9.00 – 3.00
Fri –	8.30-11.30	or	12.00 – 3.00	or	9.00 – 3.00

Additional hours can be paid for, in order to extend provision and enable flexibility (please see table below)

### Additional Hours available

Time	Session	Charge
7.45am	Woodside Wonders breakfast club	Separate package available from school office
8.30 – 11.30am	Nursery morning session 15 hours	Funded £4 per hour if taken in addition to funded hours.
12.00-3.00pm	Nursery afternoon session 15 hours funded	Funded £4 per hour if taken in addition to funded hours.
9.00am – 3.00pm	Nursery session 30 hours	Funded, if eligible
8.30am – 9.00pm	Nursery additional session for 30 hour funded places only	£4 per hour/pro-rata (£2)
3.00pm - 6.00pm	Woodside Wonders Afterschool club	Separate package available from school office.

Additional nursery hours will be charged at a rate of £4.00 per hour where applicable. All other times are wrap-around care and will be charged according to our Woodside Wonders charging policy.

\*\* [link to nursery charging policy and Woodside Wonders charging policy](#)

### Nursery Curriculum Overview

[Please click the link to view our curriculum overview \\*\\*](#)

## Our Values

### In the nursery you will find:

- A friendly and committed nursery team to welcome you and your child.
- A caring and nurturing environment in which every child is recognised as a special little person who can grow and develop with confidence.
- A stimulating environment to enable your child to:
  - Explore and learn at their own pace.
  - Follow their own interests and play.
  - Build positive relationships with other children and adults.
  - Become an independent learner.
  - Talk to others with enjoyment and confidence.
  - Access a wide range of activities and opportunities to develop their skills through indoor and garden play.

## Nursery Session – a typical day

8.30 – 9.10	Welcome time and settling play
9.10 – 9.30	Family group time/whole class time
9.30 – 10.45	Child initiated activities / focus activity – inside and garden
10.45 – 11.00	Tidy up time
11.00 – 11.20	Family groups/whole class time
11.20 – 11.30	Prepare for home/lunch
11.30-12.30	Lunch
12.00 – 12.40	Welcome time and settling play
12.40 – 1.00	Family group time/Whole class time
1.00 – 2.15	Child initiated activities / focus activity – inside and garden
2.15 – 2.30	Tidy up time
2.30 – 2.50	Family groups/whole class time
2.50 – 3.00	Prepare for home

### **Parent partnership activities:**

Tuesday – library

Friday – maths game library

Each month – Green Fingers Gardening



### **Green Fingers gardening**

We place particular importance on learning in the outdoor environment and run a very popular gardening session called Green Fingers, to which parents and younger siblings are invited to join. A local 'Master Gardener' works with us to introduce families to growing vegetables and flowers within our nursery garden. The children experience planting, composting, caring for their environment, harvesting, cooking and eating their produce.



### **Key person Approach**

Once settled in Nursery, we link each child and family to a key person. This is a member of our nursery team with whom the child has made an early attachment. Our key persons take a special interest in your child and family and prepare a learning journal of your child's development and experiences through their time in nursery. This is shared with you regularly.

We group our key children into a 'family group' which the children name. Small group story, talk time and some activities take place in these family groups.

### **Things that you can do to help at home**

Support your child in the use of the toilet and in washing their hands.

Encourage your child to put on/take off their coat and shoes.

Talk to and play with your child, giving them quality time within the day.

Enjoy reading books together and talking about the pictures.

Sing nursery rhymes together.

Enjoy walks to the shops, library or park.

***We look forward to welcoming you to our nursery!***