



## Bessemer Grange Primary School

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### Nursery Classes at Bessemer Grange

There are two nursery classes in the Early Years department at Bessemer; Ladybird Class and Butterfly Class. Both classes have a morning and an afternoon session, each with a maximum of 25 children.

All children receive government funding for 15 hours of nursery education from the term after their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday. At Bessemer these 15 hours are offered as either a morning or afternoon place for 3 hours a day, five days a week. We are not able to offer other ways of using the 15 hours, such as 2 full days.

We have a limited number of top up sessions available, meaning that parents can pay for their child to stay for additional nursery sessions. E.g. a child with a morning place could also stay for some afternoon sessions if necessary. These top up sessions cost £25 per day.

We also have nursery breakfast club and an after school club which take place in Little Stars, our 2 year old nursery provision. Breakfast club runs from 8am and costs £2 per day and after school club is from 3:45pm – 5:45pm and costs £10 per day. Children who are staying all day eat lunch as a group with their own staff in the school lunch hall.

During the 3 hour nursery session children are taught phonics and maths during carpet sessions and are encouraged to participate in adult led small group activities based on the 7 areas of the Early Years curriculum. They also have plenty of time for child initiated play both inside and outside in our well-resourced Early Years environment. Planning is topic based and focuses on favourite books, cultural events and children's interests.

The nursery admissions policy is found on the school website as are dates for the school tours, if you would like to come and look around.

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