

# Welcome to



New  
**Amigos**  
Day Nursery





Here at New Amigos Day Nursery, we strive to create a safe, secure, and exciting environment for all our children that provides opportunities for discovery and exploration.

We very much follow a 'child led' approach and activities are mainly based around children's individual interests, learning needs, and extended from the things children say and show whilst in the setting.

We promote a happy, caring, and welcoming atmosphere for all children and families with a home from home feel based upon mutual trust and respect.



Our vision is that children develop and leave as strong individuals and communicators ready for the world.

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Hello, and welcome to New Amigos!

We are a home from home, child-led nursery who ensure that the children in our care are at the heart of everything we do.

We are BIG on celebrations of any kind and celebrate and explore everything and anything from Christmas, Eid, Black History month and Pride, to World food day, National penguin day, and Children's mental health week. We include parents in everything we do and welcome and encourage their feedback and involvement. If there is anything you celebrate at home, let us know so we can celebrate too!



### Opening times & Fees

Monday – Friday 730am – 6pm	£55 a day
Morning Sessions 730am – 1pm	£33 a session
Afternoon sessions 1pm – 6pm	£33 a session

### Funded Sessions

Morning sessions 8am – 1pm
Afternoon sessions 1pm – 6pm

For eligible families, we also offer free 15 hours for children aged 2-4.

Children are eligible from the term after their 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> birthdays.

See [Childcare Choices | 30 Hours Free Childcare, Tax-Free Childcare and More | Help with Costs | GOV.UK](#) for more information and get in touch!



Contact us to find out  
more about free  
childcare places.







## **Baby Room**

4 months – 2 years

Welcome to babies!



In this room, we take children from 4 months to 2 years and are the starting point for many children's nursery journeys.

In babies we focus on the children as individuals., prioritising the routines they are used to for the smoothest transition from home to nursery. Babies' staff work hard to foster secure attachments with children and friendly relationships with families to help everyone feel comfortable and confident.

We are very child-led and like to create activities and opportunities that really spark the children's interests from bathing baby dolls to exploring Old MacDonald's Farm. We focus heavily on sensory play, using different media and materials to create a full body experience, paint between the toes and glittery belly button are the signs of a great day in the baby room!

We also love to get out and about in the local community and our convoy of double buggies is regularly spotted in Highfield or Cringle Park. Whatever the weather, we like to encourage independence and an inquisitive nature so those who can, get out and walk wherever possible. Nature is our playground, and we love to make the most of it.

In the baby room we are committed to providing learning opportunities across all 7 areas of learning, with particular emphasis on personal, social, and emotional development, communication and language, and physical development.

We hope to inspire curious, adventurous children who love to come to nursery with smiles and cuddles, and then transition from us to toddlers with ease.





## Toddler Room

2 – 3 years

Welcome to the toddler room!



In this room we take children from the age of 2 and they stay with us until they are 3, before transitioning to the preschool room.

We follow the children's interests, and a lot of our activities are based on things the children have shown an interest in and things they have said.

We enjoy exploring in the sand and water trays, mark making, playing in the home corner and we all love spending time with our adults in the reading area.

Messy play is encouraged in the toddler room, and we have lots of fun playing with bugs in the mud (mashed up chocolate cake we also enjoyed baking and eating), gluing and sticking, and plenty of opportunities to explore and get messy.

The areas within the room encourage independent play and stimulate the children's learning as well as age-appropriate structured learning and children have opportunities to play and learn at their own pace.

The children enjoy accessing the outdoor provision twice a day, as well as venturing out into our local community, and sometime further afield on various outings and trips. These provide children with opportunities that they may not get at home and encourage plenty of discussions and activity ideas, based on what they have seen and experienced whilst out and about.

We work closely with parents when it comes to toilet training and will either do what you're doing and continue it within the setting or suggest ideas to help if we see children showing signs, they are ready to begin toilet training.





## Pre-School

### 3-5 Years

Welcome to preschool! Here we take children from 3, up to about 4 when they leave us for school, but we can take them up until the term they're 5.

Children are encouraged to be independent and make their own choices throughout the day and with activities within the room.

The children enjoy playing and exploring in all different area in the room such as the home corner, sand and water area, creative area, and construction. In each area the children show their preferences and interests, likes, and dislikes, which are then incorporated into further activity ideas. Children are encouraged to come up with their own ideas, ways to solve problems and are given opportunities to think things through and come to their own decisions.

Preschoolers enjoy exploring the outdoors both in the nursery garden and the local parks that we visit. Not only this, we enjoy hopping on a bus, or a train and taking trips to the museum, runway visitors park and the farm, to name a few places. The children love sharing their thoughts and findings once back to nursery during circle times and mark making activities, drawing what they have seen.

Providing the children with a fun, stimulating environment, and encouraging them to follow a structured daily routine within the setting, not only allows them to thrive in a comfortable, secure environment, but also helps prepare them for school. Staff in the preschool room and management work closely with local schools to ensure school transitions are as smooth as possible. Activities are planned around school and going to school to help children build their knowledge, understanding and confidence about going to their new school.



# family.

Here at New Amigos, we use an app called Famly to keep in touch with parents and share all the wonderful things that take place at nursery.

Here you will find your invoices, newsletters, any updates you need to know and photos of activities that happen throughout the setting. Parents are able to like and comment on posts which we actively encourage as this helps demonstrate our parent partnership as well as it being a fantastic means of communication between parents and nursery.



## Menu



We currently have a 2 weekly menu which is based on the Ofsted recommended 'eat better, start better guide'. The children are provided a variety of freshly homemade dishes daily. Food is made on site by a qualified nursery cook and children are given 2 snacks, a hot dinner with desert and a light tea (or snack and lunch/snack and tea depending on their session times).

We have at least one fish dish, one mince and one chicken on the menu each week and children are given at least 3 out of their recommended 5 a day with us.

Staff in the baby room will discuss stages of weaning with parents on settling and will follow whatever weaning stage and preference you do at home.

Children also have access to drinking water throughout the day and are given the option of milk or water at snack times. We do not serve juice, fizzy drinks, or foods with added sugar. We may occasionally have watered down juice, but this is only on special occasions e.g., a party day.



This is us!





We use the EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage), to form and implement our curriculum, which in turn, enables us to plan and carry out activities based on your child's interests and stage of development.

Please take a minute to click on the link below that provides parents with information on the framework we use, your child's development, and helpful tips on what you can do at home to further your child's learning

[What-to-expect-in-the-EYFS-complete-FINAL-16.09-compressed.pdf \(foundationyears.org.uk\)](https://www.foundationyears.org.uk/What-to-expect-in-the-EYFS-complete-FINAL-16.09-compressed.pdf)



If you have any questions or would like some more information, please get in touch.

You can also visit our website: [New Amigos Day Nursery | Day Nursery In Levenshulme](https://www.newamigos.co.uk/)

And have a look at our Facebook page to see in more detail the things we get up to:

[New Amigos Day Nursery | Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/newamigosdaynursery/)

We look forward to hearing from you 😊