



WHERE CURIOSITY BEGINS AND CONFIDENCE GROWS

LGS Stoneygate Pre-School Prospectus





WELCOME TO LGS STONEYGATE PRE-SCHOOL

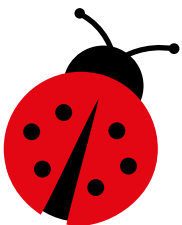
A warm, nurturing and inspiring start to your child's educational journey. Here, every day is filled with discovery, imagination and joyful learning in an environment where children are known, valued and encouraged to flourish as individuals.

A HAPPY CHILDHOOD. A CONFIDENT FUTURE

We believe children learn best when they feel safe, happy and inspired. Every child is treated as an individual, with their interests, strengths and next steps shaping the learning they experience.

We nurture confidence, curiosity, creativity and kindness through meaningful play, exploration and high-quality teaching, laying the foundations for a lifelong love of learning.

As part of the Leicester Grammar School Trust, children benefit from specialist teaching, exceptional facilities and a seamless pathway through our all-through school.





WHY CHOOSE LGS STONEYGATE PRE-SCHOOL?

- Outdoor adventures that build confidence, resilience and independence
- Music, PE and weekly Forest School sessions delivered by subject specialists
- Small, caring community
- Children are known personally and supported every step of the way
- A carefully planned Early Years curriculum that prepares children for Reception and beyond
- Benefit from joining in with wider school experiences, eg. Assemblies and celebration days



A PLACE TO BELONG



Our Pre-School is much more than a classroom, it's a place where children feel secure enough to take risks, ask questions and discover the world around them.

Our experienced Early Years team creates a calm, stimulating environment filled with opportunities to explore, create, build, investigate and imagine.

Every child is encouraged to become:

- Creative in their thinking and play
- Curious about the world around them
- Committed to trying new things
- Caring towards others and themselves

These values sit at the heart of everything we do.



LEARNING THROUGH PLAY, DISCOVERY AND EXPLORATION

The Early Years Foundation Stage is a unique stage of learning where children learn through carefully planned experiences that inspire curiosity and independence.

Each day includes a balance of:

- Child-initiated play
- Small group teaching
- Outdoor learning every day
- Adult-guided learning
- Whole-class story and circle time
- Creative exploration

Children investigate mathematics, literacy, construction, creative arts, role play, small world, investigation and sensory learning through purposeful play.



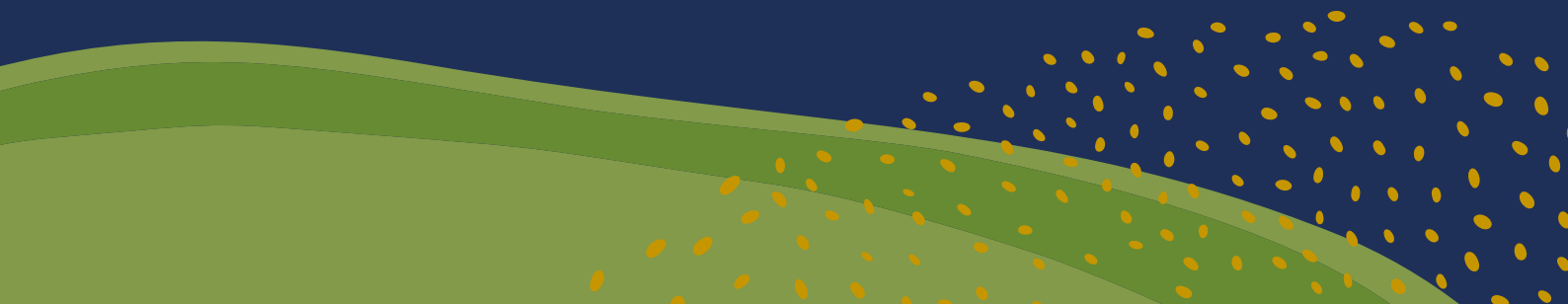
OUR BEAUTIFUL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

Our classroom offers a continuous provision with indoor and outdoor learning.

Children enjoy:

- Bright, engaging learning spaces
- A dedicated outdoor learning area
- Mud kitchens and imaginative play
- Nature investigations
- Construction and creative zones
- Quiet reading and reflection spaces

Every area is carefully designed with different levels of challenge so children are continually progressing at their own pace.



WHAT WILL MY CHILD LEARN?

Every topic becomes a springboard for storytelling, science, mathematics, creativity and outdoor discovery. Our curriculum develops the seven areas of learning within the Early Years Foundation Stage, with activities tailored to each child's stage of development. Children benefit from a rich programme of enrichment every week. These experiences help children grow in confidence while developing resilience, teamwork and curiosity.

PERSONAL, SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Building confidence, friendships, resilience and independence.

COMMUNICATION & LANGUAGE

Developing vocabulary, listening skills and confident speaking.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

Balance, coordination, fine motor skills and handwriting readiness.

LITERACY

Stories, rhymes, mark making and early reading foundations.

MATHEMATICS

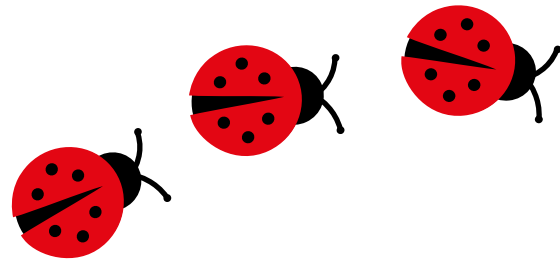
Counting, patterns, shape, number sense and problem solving.

UNDERSTANDING THE WORLD

Nature, seasons, science, communities and different cultures.

EXPRESSIVE ARTS & DESIGN

Art, music, dance, imaginative play, performance and creativity.



A MIXED-AGE EARLY YEARS CLASSROOM

Children aged 3–5 years learn together in one carefully planned Early Years environment. Although children share the same classroom, learning is always matched to each child's individual age, stage and developmental needs.

WHY MIXED-AGE LEARNING WORKS

Pre-School Children

- Learn from older role models
- Build language and confidence naturally
- Become familiar with classroom routines



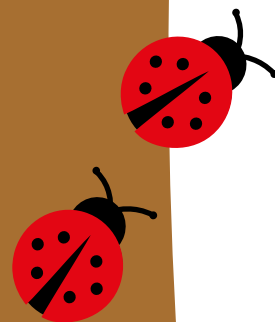
FOREST SCHOOL: EVERY WEEK IS AN ADVENTURE

Forest School is one of the highlights of life in Pre-School.

Children explore woodland environments through hands-on experiences that encourage them to:

- investigate nature
- solve problems
- build resilience
- take managed risks
- work collaboratively
- develop confidence outdoors

Every session encourages independence and a lifelong appreciation for the natural world.



BUILDING CHARACTER FROM THE VERY BEGINNING

As a Round Square school, character education begins in Early Years. Children explore woodland environments through hands-on experiences that encourage them to be:

- Compassionate
- Curious
- Resilient
- Responsible
- Reflective learners

These experiences also support children's spiritual, moral, social and cultural development through everyday learning and play.



BEGINNING THE JOURNEY TO READING AND WRITING

Books and stories are at the heart of our classroom. Children enjoy:

- Daily story sessions
- Nursery rhymes and poetry
- Vocabulary-rich conversations
- Mark making and early writing opportunities
- Print-rich learning environments



LEARNING TOGETHER WITH FAMILIES



We believe parents are children's first teachers. Our partnership with families is central to every child's success.

We keep you involved through:

- Tapestry Learning Journey, an online record of your child's achievements and special moments
- Parent observations and photographs from home
- "Wow!" moments shared between home and school
- Regular communication with our Early Years team

Together we celebrate every milestone, both big and small.



CELEBRATING EVERY ACHIEVEMENT



At LGS Stoneygate, we believe confidence grows through encouragement.

Children are recognised through:

- Praise and celebration
- Stickers and certificates
- Class Charts achievements
- League Points
- Values in Action certificates

Our nurturing behaviour approach helps children understand expectations while building self-esteem and emotional confidence.

A GENTLE START FOR EVERY CHILD

Starting Pre-School is a big milestone.

We ensure children settle confidently through:

- Individual settling-in arrangements
- Caring relationships with familiar adults
- Observation-led planning
- Learning tailored to each child's interests and needs

Every child is welcomed at their own pace and supported from their very first day.



THE LGS STONEYGATE JOURNEY

Joining LGS Stoneygate Pre-School means becoming part of an all-through school community. Children enjoy continuity, familiarity and a strong sense of belonging as they progress through Pre Prep, Prep, Senior school and beyond within the Leicester Grammar School Trust.

Our Early Years experience is carefully designed to prepare children not only for school, but for life.





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