 

Sandy Lane Nursery and Forest School

“Nurturing curiosity and inspiring imaginations”

Hi

I am absolutely delighted to be welcoming you to Sandy Lane Nursery and Forest School. My name is Marcia Atherton, I’ve worked at the school for over 10 years and I’m the Head teacher. You will usually find me in the entrance at the start and end of each session which gives me the opportunity to welcome your child and family in person.

Sandy Lane Nursery and Forest School is an amazing place where the staff and governors’ hearts and passions are steeped in early years’ education.

We are all proud of the way our children work and play together and their enthusiasm for learning.  We provide innovative and reflective teaching which inspires and challenges all children and we aim for children to come each day to school, excited by the learning on offer and thrilled by the possibilities opening up for them. As staff, we build on children’s strengths and interests, encourage their creativity and value the importance of their happiness and well-being. Whatever our children’s starting points, we aim to bring out the full potential of every child so that they flourish, make outstanding progress and experience joy in learning.

We are keen to maintain the friendly family feel of the school and we work hard to develop happy productive relationships with our parents and carers. You are the most important person in your child’s life and it’s really important that we work together to support each other in making sure your child gets the best education possible.

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I would also like to invite you to join our ‘Friends of Sandy Lane’ parent/carers group. This friendly and informal group meets termly in our staffroom to discuss how we can work together to continue to meet our outstanding standards and support the school with fundraising ideas. Everyone is welcome and has a valuable contribution to make. Look out for details of the next meeting on our termly newsletter, posters around school and Tapestry.

There will always be exciting and busy times ahead here and plenty to look forward to and we hope you will be very much a part of it. You will find lots more information about our school and how you can support your child with learning at home on our website [www.sandylanenurseryschool.co.uk](http://www.sandylanenurseryschool.co.uk).

Welcome to our Sandy Lane family !

Kindest regards

**Marcia**