



# Butterflies

## 2-Year-Old Provision

# 2025-2026



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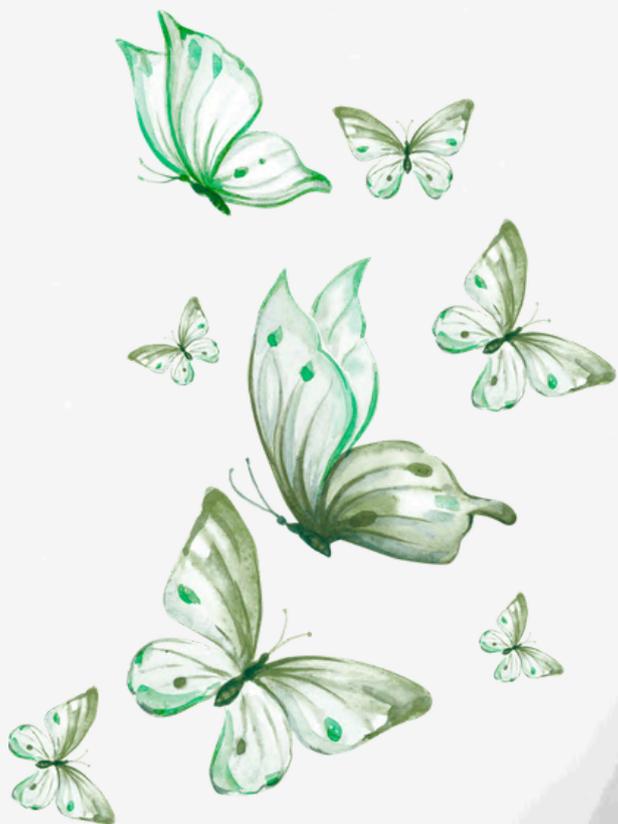
*Placing learners and learning at the heart of all that we do*



# Welcome to Butterflies

Welcome to the 2-year-old provision at Green Lane Primary Academy. We are delighted to welcome you.

Starting a new setting is a big step, especially for very young children, and we aim to make this transition as calm, positive and supportive as possible. Our provision offers a safe, nurturing environment where children feel happy, secure and confident to explore the world around them.





# Butterflies Hours

**8:40am - 11:40am**

**Butterflies operates as a 3-hour, morning provision.**

Doors are opened just before the start and end of each session. This helps us to admit and dismiss the children safely and calmly. Children must be collected promptly.

For absences, please telephone the school office:  
01642 277407





# Butterflies Team



**Mrs Illingworth**



**Mrs Brown**





# Ethos

At Green Lane Primary Academy, we believe that young children learn best when they feel safe, loved, valued and understood.

At two years old, children are developing rapidly. They learn through play, relationships, routines and everyday experiences. Our approach is play-based and child-centred, with a strong focus on emotional wellbeing and secure attachments.

Every child is unique and we celebrate their individuality, interests and achievements.





# About Butterflies

Butterflies offers high-quality early education in a calm and caring environment.

- We follow the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) framework
- Children are supported by experienced and caring staff
- We work in small groups to ensure children receive individual attention
- Each child is allocated a Key Person who builds a strong bond with them and supports their learning and care

The Key Person is your main point of contact and will help your child feel safe, settled and secure within the setting.





# Settling In

We understand that starting Butterflies can be an emotional time for children and parents.

We offer a gradual settling in process, tailored to suit each child's individual needs. This may include

- Short visits with a parent or carer
- Gradually increasing session times
- Time to build trusting relationships with our staff

Some children settle quickly, while others take a little longer. Both are completely normal. You can help your child by

- Talking positively about Butterflies
- Keeping goodbyes calm and consistent
- Sharing information about your child's routines

Children are welcome to bring a comfort item to help them feel secure, however, please do not bring 'special toys' in case they are lost or damaged.





# Our Daily Routine

Young children thrive on routines as these help them feel safe and confident.

A typical day at Butterflies includes

- A warm welcome
- Free play in an enhanced continual provision
- Group time with stories, songs and rhymes
- A variety of indoor and outdoor play-based learning
- Snack time
- Nappy changing and toileting routines
- Outdoor play

While we have a daily routine, we remain flexible and responsive to each child's needs.





# Learning and Development

Our curriculum follows **EYFS Development Matters**, which supports children's learning through play and meaningful everyday experiences.

For 2-year-olds, we focus mainly on the **Prime Areas of Learning**

- Communication and Language
- Physical Development
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development

## Children learn through

- Play and Exploration
- Interaction with Adults and Other Children
- Singing, Stories and Rhymes
- Sensory and Creative Activities

Staff regularly observe children and use this information to plan activities that reflect their interests and support their development.





# Behaviour and Emotional Development

At two years old, children are learning how to understand and manage big emotions.

At Butterflies, we support children by

- Providing clear routines and gentle boundaries
- Using calm, consistent responses
- Helping children to name and understand their feelings
- Modelling kind and respectful behaviour

We use positive behaviour strategies and do not use punishment. Our aim is to help children feel safe, understood and supported.





# Toileting

We support children who are

- In nappies
- Beginning toilet training
- Toilet trained

Nappy changing is carried out respectfully and hygienically by familiar adults. Please provide

- Nappies
- Wipes
- Nappy cream (if required)

If your child is toilet training, please let us know so we can support this consistently at Green Lane.





# Health, Safety and Wellbeing

Your child's health, safety and wellbeing are our top priority.

## **Illness**

To prevent the spread of illness, we ask that children are kept at home if they are unwell. We follow recommended exclusion periods.

## **Medication**

Medication can only be administered with written consent and in line with our school medication policy.

## **Accidents**

All accidents are recorded and shared with parents on the same day.

## **Safeguarding**

Green Lane Primary Academy has a duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of all children. All staff are trained in safeguarding procedures and follow school and local authority guidance.





# What to Bring

Please ensure your child brings

- A named bag
- Spare clothes
- Nappies, wipes and cream (if needed)
- A named water bottle
- Weather-appropriate clothing, including coats

Please label all items clearly.





# Working in Partnership with Parents

We believe that strong partnerships with parents are vital to children's success.

We keep in touch through

- Daily verbal feedback
- Posters, messages and letters home
- Parent meetings

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to a member of the team. We are always happy to help.





# Inclusion and Additional Needs

Green Lane Primary Academy is committed to inclusion and supporting all children.

If your child has additional needs or you have concerns about their development, please talk to us. We work closely with families and external professionals to ensure that every child receives the support they need.

Thank you for choosing Butterflies at Green Lane Primary Academy. We look forward to working in partnerships with you and supporting your child during this important stage of their development.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the team.





# Contact

We hope that you find this information useful as your child prepares to start their journey with us. If you have any queries now, or in the future, please do not hesitate to contact a member of staff.

## **School Telephone**

01642 277407

## **School Email**

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