

(PRE-SCHOOL APPLICATION PACK)

# Applying for Early Learning and Childcare for your Child

Session 2015-16

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COUNCIL



# Glossary

## **Family Information Service**

The Family Information Service is a free, impartial service. It provides detailed information and advice on child care, as well as a range of services for children aged 0-19 and their families across Aberdeenshire.

[www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/children/afis/contact.asp](http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/children/afis/contact.asp)

## **Eligible Child (for Early Learning & Childcare)**

Eligible Child means all children aged between 3 (the term after their third birthday) and up to school entry.

## **Eligible 2 year old**

Means children aged 2 who meet the criteria under the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act 2014

## **Cluster area**

Local primary schools are grouped in 'clusters'. All primary schools within the cluster are zoned for the same Academy. The school cluster areas can be viewed on the Council's website at [www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/education/map/Aberdeenshire\\_School\\_Area\\_Map.jpg](http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/education/map/Aberdeenshire_School_Area_Map.jpg)

## **Curriculum for Excellence**

Curriculum for Excellence represents Scotland's vision for the education of all children. It aims to raise standards, improve knowledge and develop skills. The aim of all early years settings and primary schools in Scotland is to ensure that every child experiences a broad education, skills for learning, for life, and work that are delivered with a focus on literacy, numeracy, health and wellbeing.

## **The Care Inspectorate**

Is the independent scrutiny and improvement body for care services in Scotland.

Reports on childcare settings can be accessed through the website

[www.careinspectorate.com](http://www.careinspectorate.com)

## **Early Learning and Childcare Placement**

Eligible children are entitled up to 600 hours in each year or a pro-rata amount of hours dependant upon the term in which they are eligible to start.

## **Education Scotland**

The role of Education Scotland is to support quality and improvement in Scottish education. Settings delivering Early Learning and Childcare are subject to inspections by Her Majesty's Inspectors. Reports and further information can be obtained from [www.educationscotland.gov.uk](http://www.educationscotland.gov.uk)

## Welcome

We hope you find the information in this pack supportive and informative. Please contact the Family Information Service on 0800 298 3330 if you have any queries regarding Early Learning and Childcare.

Aberdeenshire Council has a duty to provide free part time Early Learning and Childcare places for all 3 and 4 year olds whose parents wish one and for eligible 2 year olds.

Eligible children are currently entitled to up to 600 hours of Early Learning and Childcare throughout the year.

Early Learning and Childcare provision in Aberdeenshire is managed through the Council's Education and Children's Services.

## How can I apply?

You can apply if your child was born between: 1st March 2011 and 28th February 2013.

This pack explains the choices you have and the steps you need to take to apply for an Early Learning & Childcare place.

## When can my child start?

Every child is entitled to free Early Learning and Childcare at the start of the term as per dates below.

- Children who will be 3 years old by 31st August start Early Learning & Childcare in August.\*
- Children who will be 3 years old by 31st December start Early Learning & Childcare in January.
- Children who will be 3 years old by the last day of February start Early Learning & Childcare in April.\*

**\* NOTE your child must be three before she/he starts Early Learning and Childcare. Children born from 1st March onwards start Early Learning and Childcare in August.**

# Eligible Two Year Old Children

All applications for eligible 2 year olds are managed centrally by the Early Years Team.

Eligible 2 year old children fall into two categories.

1. Children that are looked after and accommodated or are under a kinship or guardianship order. Application forms can be obtained from your social worker.
2. Children whose families are in receipt of one or more of these qualifying benefits
  - Income Support
  - Incapacity or Severe Disablement Allowance
  - State Pension Credit
  - Income based Jobseekers Allowance
  - Any income-related element of the Employment & Support Allowance
  - Child Tax Credit but not Working Tax Credit and your income is below £16,010
  - Both maximum CTC and WTC with income less than £6,420
  - Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
  - Universal Credit (interim measure)or any other qualifying benefit as stated by the Department for Work and Pensions.

Application forms can be obtained from the Department for Work and Pensions or by contacting the Early Years Team at 01224 664026 or from the Aberdeenshire website: [www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/parents/carers/earlylearningandchildcare](http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/parents/carers/earlylearningandchildcare)

## What is available?

### LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISION

- Nursery classes/schools. These can be located in a primary school or in a stand alone facility.

Admission to an Early Learning and Childcare nursery class does not automatically ensure a place in primary one at this provision if your child lives outwith the school's catchment area. Transport to and from an Early Learning & Childcare setting is not provided or funded by Education and Children's Services.

### PARTNER PROVIDER

Aberdeenshire Council works in partnership with other Early Learning and Childcare settings to offer a choice of provision to parents/carers

- Playgroups
- Private nurseries
- Independent schools

In a partner provider setting you can access your entitlement of up to 600 hours per year, in a pattern agreed between yourself and the setting. Each session must be between 2.5 and 8 hours per day. A charge may be made for services provided outwith the hours funded by partner providers.

It should be noted that Aberdeenshire Council cannot guarantee a place in the provider of your choice.

## Aberdeenshire's Early Learning and Childcare settings offer the following:

- Staff who recognise that you are the biggest influence on your child's development.
- Welcoming and inclusive experiences that are planned to build on the individual talents and needs of your child.
- High quality learning and teaching that makes your child's learning creative, relevant, lively, active and fun.
- Smooth transition between provisions that support your child with the development of their social and emotional skills.

All settings follow the \*Curriculum for Excellence and are subject to ongoing quality assurance by local authority officers, \*Care Inspectorate and \*Education Scotland. Partner providers must satisfy rigorous selection criteria prior to being accepted as a partner provider delivering Early Learning and Childcare education in Aberdeenshire.

Before making your decision you may wish to visit a few early years settings. Please telephone the setting to make an appointment to ensure that staff have time to talk with you and answer any questions.

## What if my child has additional support needs?

Parents/carers should discuss the needs of their child with the Head Teacher/ Manager of the setting of their choice. Parents/carers will then be guided through the application process and Aberdeenshire Council's Procedure for Children with Significant Additional Support Needs.

[www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/parentscarers/additional](http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/parentscarers/additional)

## What if my child is currently in an Early Learning and Childcare setting?

If your child is returning to that setting it will be necessary to complete a new application if your child is already in a funded placement and you wish him/her to continue in the same setting.

## What if my child needs more Early Learning and Childcare experience?

If your child is born between the dates 1st January 2011 to 28th February 2011 she/he has a statutory right to delay entry to primary one, therefore you need only complete Section A of the Delayed Entry Request Form and submit it to the setting of your choice. This form can be obtained from an Aberdeenshire local authority school.

In very exceptional circumstances, where a child is born between August and December 2010 and a delayed entry to Primary 1 is being considered, please discuss this with the school where you intend to enrol your child for primary one. If in doubt seek advice from your Early Learning and Childcare setting. All the contact numbers you will need are listed in this booklet.

\* Please see Glossary on page 2

## LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISION

- From Monday 23rd February 2015 you can go to the school of your choice to collect an application form. These can also be downloaded from: [www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/parents/carers/earlylearningandchildcare](http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/parents/carers/earlylearningandchildcare)
- Complete only **one** application form per child.
- It is important that you indicate three choices of settings as demand for places in some settings can sometimes exceed supply.
- Please return the completed application form together with supporting documentation to the school of your first choice by Friday 6th March 2015.
- Required supporting documentation. Please present the following with your application form:
  1. Your child's birth certificate.
  2. Evidence of your home address, e.g. a recent (last 3 months) utility bill or bank statement.

These original documents will not be retained by the setting.

## PARTNER PROVIDER

- Applications can be made at any point throughout the year.
- Parents/carers should go to the setting of their choice and complete an Aberdeenshire Council application form.
- Return your completed application form together with supporting documentation. Please present the following with your application form:
  1. Your child's birth certificate.
  2. Evidence of your home address, e.g. a recent (last 3 months) utility bill or bank statement.

These original documents will not be retained by the early years setting.

# What happens next?

## LOCAL AUTHORITY PROVISION

- Applications received by 6th March 2015 for children due to start nursery in August 2015 will be offered a place by letter, dated 1st April 2015.
- Applications received by 6th March 2015 for children due to start nursery in January or April 2016 will be retained by the Council for allocation as follows.

January 2016 Start - allocated September 2015, offer letters sent out 18th September 2015.

April 2016 start - allocated December 2015, offer letters sent out 11th December 2015.

- Please return the acceptance slip accepting/declining your offer by the date specified on the letter or it will be assumed you no longer require your place.

## PARTNER PROVIDERS

- You will receive a letter offering your child a place directly from the provider.
- Please return the acceptance slip accepting/declining your offer by the date specified on the letter or it will be assumed you no longer require your place.

# How are Early Learning and Childcare places allocated?

Early Learning and Childcare places are allocated using Aberdeenshire Council's \*Pre-school Admissions Policy [www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/parents/carers/earlylearningandchildcare](http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/parents/carers/earlylearningandchildcare)

## Admissions Criteria for Local Authority Nurseries Only

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| <b>Priority 1</b> | Agreed delayed entry children from the cluster area. (Including those that have the statutory right to delay).                         |
| <b>Priority 2</b> | Pre-school and ante pre-school children who are resident in Aberdeenshire and supported by agreement from the centrally managed panel. |



- Priority 3** Pre-school children ('four year olds') residing in the cluster area.
- Priority 4** Ante pre-school children (three year olds) residing in the cluster area who have a sibling remaining within the nursery and/or school.
- Priority 5** Ante pre-school children (three year olds) residing in the cluster area.
- Priority 6** Children whose childcare is within the cluster area.
- Priority 7** All other eligible children residing in Aberdeenshire.
- Priority 8** Children residing outwith Aberdeenshire.

\* Please see Glossary on page 2

# Transferring between Early Learning and Childcare settings

Places are allocated to settings from the child's eligible start date until the end of the school year in June 2016. You may transfer from one setting to another only in certain circumstances. These may include but are not limited to:

- Moving house.
- A child's significant support needs warrant it.
- Parents/carers need access to other types of childcare eg change of work commitments.
- There is a significant change in home circumstances.

You must discuss this with the Headteacher/Manager at your present setting before completing a Transfer Request Form which can be obtained from and returned to [EarlyYears@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:EarlyYears@aberdeenshire.gov.uk) in order that the Quality Improvement Manager (EarlyYears) can review the circumstances and consider the outcome of the request.

## Can I split my child's place between providers?

You may request to split your child's placement between two Early Learning and Childcare settings under certain circumstances.

These may include but are not limited to:

- Moving house
- A child's significant support needs warrant it
- Parents/carers need access to other types of childcare eg change of work commitments
- There is a significant change in home circumstances

After discussing the need for a split placement with the headteacher/manager of the child's current setting, a Split Placement Request Form must be obtained from, completed and returned to [EarlyYears@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:EarlyYears@aberdeenshire.gov.uk) in order that the QIM( EarlyYears) can review the circumstances and consider the outcome of the request.

## Delayed entry into primary one

A delayed entry to primary one will only be considered for those children who will gain a direct benefit from additional time within the Early Learning and Childcare environment.

If your child is born between the first day of the Autumn Term and 31st December 2010 and you wish to delay your child's entry to Primary One, you should initially discuss this with the Head Teacher of the school where you intend to enrol your child. Following this discussion, if you then wish to proceed, please submit a Delayed Entry Request Form together with an Admission Form A to this primary school. These forms are available from the primary school.

You should initially discuss this with the Head Teacher of the school where you intend to enrol your child for primary one for further guidance.

All applications for a delayed entry to primary one go to a decision making Central Panel.

## Early Learning and Childcare

### Extended Service

Currently Aberdeenshire Council is offering extended provision to parents/carers for a short term period to provide extra support to families. Further details regarding criteria for this provision can be obtained from Early Learning and Childcare settings, health visitors and anyone working with children and families up to school entry age.

These provisions are indicated by an \* on the contact details that follow.

# Aboyne Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Aboyne School Nursery	01339 886 638
Ballater School Nursery	01339 755 419
Ballogie School Nursery	01339 886 765
Braemar School Nursery	01339 741 250
Tarland School Nursery	01339 881 204
Torphins School Nursery	01339 882 269

## Playgroups

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Lumphanan Pre-school Playgroup	01339 883 740
Tarland Playgroup	01339 881 204
Torphins Playgroup	01339 882 978

## Private Day Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Roselodge Nursery, Aboyne	01339 887 527
Sunshine Nursery, Torphins	01339 882 929

For further enquiries please contact:

**Early Years Development Worker:** Helen Crouch

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# Alford Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Alford School Nursery *	01975 562 395
Echt School Nursery	01330 860 510
Towie School Nursery	01975 641 247
Tullynessle School Nursery	01975 562 365

## Playgroups

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Alford Playgroup	01975 563 505
Monymusk Playgroup	07709 799 159

## Private Day Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Alford Day Nursery	01975 562 360

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# Banchory Cluster

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<b>Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries</b>	
<b>Setting Name</b>	<b>Telephone Number</b>
Banchory School Nursery *	01330 823 351
Crossroads Nursery School, Durris Pupils may transfer to Drumoak School Nursery once open	01330 844 685
Drumoak School Nursery Will not be open for August 2015, however further details will follow - parents should apply to the setting of their first choice for August 2015 children will be eligible to transfer to Drumoak once open	
Hill of Banchory School Nursery	01330 825 500

<b>Private Day Nurseries</b>	
<b>Setting Name</b>	<b>Telephone Number</b>
Celtic Cross Nursery, Banchory	01330 824 744
Woodlands Nursery, Banchory	01330 823 432

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# Banff Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Aberchirder School Nursery	01466 780 241
Banff School Nursery	01261 813 100
Macduff School Nursery	01261 832 665
Ordiquhill School Nursery	01466 751 203
Portsoy School Nursery	01261 842 238
Whitehills School Nursery	01261 861 431

## Playgroups

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Banff Playgroup	07542 177 122
Gardenstown (Gamrie) Playschool	01261 851 917
Whitehills Playgroup	01261 861 431

For further enquiries please contact:

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# Ellon Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Auchterellon School Nursery *	01358 720 863
Balmedie School Nursery	01358 742 474
Ellon School Nursery	01358 720 692
Meiklemill School Nursery	01358 721 852
Newburgh Mathers School Nursery	01358 789 283

## Playgroups

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Auchnagatt & District Pre-School Setting (Arnage School) - also Mintlaw	07914 667 691
Auchterellon Under 5s	01358 720 740
Gordon Park Playgroup, Ellon	01358 722 234
Hatton (Cruden) Playgroup & Under 3s	07929 919 446
Newburgh Playgroup	01358 789 461

## Private Day Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Banbury Cross Nursery (Bridge of Don)	01224 702 300
Stepping Stones Nursery, Ellon	01358 724 343

For further enquiries please contact:

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# Fraserburgh Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Crimond School Nursery	01346 532 251
Fraserburgh North School Nursery	01346 518 015
Fraserburgh South Park School Nursery	01346 518 586
Inverallochy School Nursery	01346 582 217
Lochpots School Nursery	01346 515 751
Rosehearty School Nursery	01346 571 230
Sandhaven School Nursery	01346 518 202
St Andrews School Nursery	01346 518 247

## Playgroups

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Auld Kirk Nursery	01346 517 352
Rosehearty Playgroup	01346 572 002

## Private Day Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Kiddiwinks Nursery Ltd	01346 510 600
Peek-a-Boo Nursery	01346 511 334
Playbarn Too Nursery	01346 512 590

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# Huntly Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Drumblade School Nursery	01466 740 228
Gartly School Nursery	01466 720 270
Glass School Nursery	01466 700 210
Gordon School Nursery	01466 792 550
Insch School Nursery	01464 820 252
Rhynie School Nursery	01464 861 257

## Private Day Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Annie's Nursery	01464 820 517
The Kindergarten, Huntly	01466 794 525

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# Inverurie Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Kellands School Nursery *	01467 620 153
Market Place School Nursery	01467 620 451
Newmachar School Nursery	01651 862 245
Port Elphinstone School Nursery	01467 621 277
Strathburn School Nursery	01467 621 143

## Playgroups

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Newmachar Playgroup	07961 662 978
St Andrew's Church Playgroup	07854 043 011
Strathburn Park Playgroup	01467 622 780

## Private Day Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Flowerpots Childcare	01651 869 078
Les Enfants Nursery	01467 623 240
Stepping Stones Nursery, Inverurie	01467 625 295
Summers Nursery Ltd	01467 628 862

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# Kemnay Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Alehousewells School Nursery *	01467 642 247
Kemnay School Nursery	01467 642 259
Kinellar School Nursery	01224 790 235
Kintore School Nursery	01467 634 380

## Playgroups

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Kinellar Stars	01224 790 861
Kintore Playgroup	01467 634 386

## Private Day Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Cherry Tree Pre-school	01224 790 044
Wee Rascals, Kintore	01467 633 270
Wee Rascals Too, Kintore	01467 633 994

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# Laurencekirk Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Auchenblae School Nursery	01561 320 249
Fettercairn School Nursery	01561 340 250
Laurencekirk School Nursery *	01561 378 588
St Cyrus School Nursery	01674 850 215

## Playgroups

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Auchenblae Pre-school	07817 505 657
Mearns Pre-school Playgroup	07842 013 132
St Cyrus Pre-school Playgroup	07901 591 118

## Private Day Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Lathallan Nursery (Applications will also be considered in the Stonehaven cluster)	01561 362 245
Poppies Pre-school Ltd	01561 376 274

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# Meldrum Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Meldrum School Nursery *	01651 871 100
Pitmedden School Nursery	01651 842 374
Rothienorman School Nursery	01651 821 247
Tarves School Nursery	01651 851 247

## Playgroups

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Methlick Under Fives	01651 806 932
Old Rayne Playgroup	07968 046 806
Pitmedden Playgroup	07713 914 766
Rothienorman Pre-school	01651 821 577
Tarves Playgroup	07773 879 290
Udny Station Pre-school Playgroup	07884 033 316

## Private Day Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Hoodles Nursery, Oldmeldrum	01651 873 995

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# Mintlaw Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Longside School Nursery	01779 821 233
Mintlaw School Nursery	01771 623 549
New Deer School Nursery	01771 644 265
New Pitsligo & St John's School Nursery	01771 653 232
Pitfour School Nursery *	01771 622 855
Strichen School Nursery	01771 637 250

## Playgroups

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Auchnagatt & District Pre-school Centre (Arnage School) – also Ellon	07914 667 691
St Kane's Pre-School, New Deer	01771 644 340
Maud Playgroup & Rising Fives	07762 943 804
Strichen Playgroup	07761 388 552
Stuartfield Playgroup	07824 113 815

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# Peterhead Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Boddam School Nursery *	01779 473 359
Buchanhaven School Nursery	01779 472 543
Clerkhill School Nursery	01779 472 473
Dales Park School Nursery *	01779 477 133
Meethill School Nursery	01779 474 920
Peterhead Central School Nursery	01779 472 211
Port Erroll School Nursery	01779 812 622
St Fergus School Nursery	01779 838 225

## Private Day Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Bright Beginnings	01779 473 280
Buoys and Gulls	01779 476 888
Clever Tots Nursery	01779 481 652
First Class Day Nursery	01779 474 156
Hil Class Day Nursery	01779 474 156
Stepping Stones Nurseries (Peterhead) Ltd	01779 481 344
Vital Sparks Nursery	01779 482 330

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# Portlethen Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Fishermoss School Nursery *	01224 782 277
Lairhillock School Nursery (also Stonehaven)	01569 732 520
Newtonhill School Nursery	01569 730 597
Portlethen School Nursery	01224 780 238
Portlethen Early Years Setting (situated in Portlethen Academy) Parents should make applications to Portlethen School Nursery	01224 780 238

## Playgroups

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Bourtree Pre-school	01224 782 472

## Private Day Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Great Western Pre-school (Portlethen)	01224 780 765
Great Western Two	01224 780 999

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# Stonehaven Cluster

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Setting Name	Telephone Number
Arduthie School Nursery	01569 762 996
Bervie School Nursery	01561 361 312
Dunnottar School Nursery	01569 762 414
Lairhillock School Nursery (also Portlethen)	01569 732 520
Mill O'Forest School Nursery *	01569 763 561

## Playgroups

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Inverbervie Pre-school Playgroup	01561 362 039

## Private Day Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Simpsons Playhouse	01569 766 655
Lathallan Nursery (Applications will also be considered in the Laurencekirk cluster)	01561 362 245
The Croft Nursery	01569 765 122

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# Turriff Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Fyvie School Nursery	01651 891 247
Markethill School Nursery *	01888 562 828
Monquhitter School Nursery	01888 544 238

## Private Day Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Auchterless Playgroup	01888 511 066
Busy Bees Playgroup	01888 563 844
Crudie Preschool Playgroup	01888 551 326
Fyvie Pre-school Playgroup	07960 608 280
Monquhitter Playgroup, Cuminestown	07792 453 861
Turriff Pre-School Playgroup, Gateway Setting	01888 568 539

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# Westhill Cluster

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## Aberdeenshire Council School Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Crombie School Nursery	01224 740 900
Elrick School Nursery	01224 741 900
Westhill School Nursery *	01224 740 225

## Playgroups

Setting Name	Telephone Number
Denman Playgroup	01224 743 098
Kirkton of Skene Playgroup	07789 871 601
Scout Hall Playgroup	01224 742 455

## Private Day Nurseries

Setting Name	Telephone Number
The Bridges	01224 744 741

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☎ 0800 298 3330 ✉ [afis@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:afis@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)

🌐 [www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/children/afis/contact.asp](http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/children/afis/contact.asp)

### **LOCAL AREA EDUCATION OFFICES**

#### **Alford, Aboyne, Banchory, Huntly, Laurencekirk, Portlethen, Stonehaven**

Stonehaven Area EL&L Office, Queens Road, Stonehaven, AB39 2QQ

☎ 01569 766 960 📠 01569 768 489 ✉ [preschool.south@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:preschool.south@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)

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#### **Ellon, Inverurie, Kemnay, Meldrum, Turriff, Westhill**

Garioch EL&L Office, Gordon House, Blackhall Road, Inverurie, AB51 3WA

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#### **Fraserburgh**

EL&L Office, Dover Lodge, 117 Charlotte Street, Fraserburgh, AB43 9LS

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#### **Peterhead**

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#### **Kincardine and Mearns Area** Vacancy

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Если Вы нуждаетесь в переводчике или в переводе информации, содержащейся в брошюре «Подача заявления на дошкольное образование Вашего ребенка», просим Вас позвонить по телефону 01224 664026

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Ja Jums ir nepieciešams tulks, vai informācijas bukleta "Jūsu bērna pieteikšana uz Pirmsskolas Izglītību" tulkojums, lūdzam zvanīt uz 01224 664026

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Jeigu jums reikalinga vertėja ar išversta informacinė brošiūra Kreipimasis dėl Iki-mokyklinio išsilavinimo Jūsų Vaikui, prašome skambinti telefonu 01224 664026

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