

The Ambleside Centre

The Pastures (0 – 3 year old) Admissions Policy



All families may access the 0-3 provision at the Centre. There is no catchment area however registration to Pastures does not guarantee a place into Meadows.

Allocation is in order of application when places become available secured by payment of a deposit.

Additional Sessions

Parents may purchase ad-hoc sessions in addition to their existing place in the Pastures, depending on space being available.

Registration for Pastures

Parents may register their child at any time during the year. Registration to Pastures does not guarantee a transfer place into Meadows

Attendance

Morning sessions run from 8.00 am to 12.50 pm and afternoon sessions run from 1.00 pm to 6.00 pm. Parents may purchase either ½ days or full days.

Minimum Sessions

A minimum of 2 half days per week may be booked for a minimum of 1 whole term. For further information see terms and conditions.

Centre Visits

After registration, staff along with parents will arrange visits for the children so they can become familiar with the setting and new carers before their start date.

Home Visits

Parents may also be offered a home visit as part of the process for their child/children starting in Pastures.

Starting in Pastures

Children will start on their selected start date. Parents/carers are welcome to stay with their child for as long as they need to do so. Staff will support parents to make a gradual withdrawal when necessary.

Parents' Participation in Sessions

Pastures provides care and support for young children and babies to develop within a safe and stimulating environment. Parents are welcome to come and enjoy this experience with their child.

Pastures Registration Procedures

Applications are accepted from any family however attendance in Pastures does not guarantee a place in Meadows.

Parents/carers are asked to bring along the child's birth certificate.

Forms are completed – parents/carers to indicate preferred sessions and alternate sessions.