

LITTLE BARN OWLS

FOREST & FARM SCHOOL NURSERIES

Nursery Group of the Year



The Training Academy

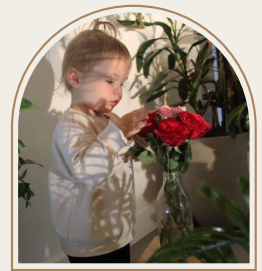
Early Years Professional Development from Little Barn Owls Forest and Farm School Nurseries



INSPIRING GREAT PRACTICE

Our unique enquiry-based approach to education is inspired by the Preschools and Infant-Toddler Centres of Reggio Emilia in Northern Italy, as well as Forest School philosophies and Outdoor Learning approaches derived from Scandinavia. Our training staff are passionate about Early Years practise that enables children to develop an enquiring mind and become curious, creative and expressive learners.

Our courses, events and consultancy are designed to challenge practitioners to reflect on their practise as well as inspire them with new ideas, new ways of working inspired by the Reggio Approach and enable them with the skills to activate change in their own settings.



Professional Development Days

Come and see why we won 'Nursery Group of the Year 2020' and 'West Sussex Childcare Provider of the Year 2023'. A chance to tour our award winning nursery environment, art studios, farm school and one acre garden. Find out how children research with our professional artists (Atelieristi) on long term projects in our dedicated art studios (Ateliers) and outside in our farm school with our friendly roaming animals and dedicated Outdoor Learning Coordinators and Forest School Leaders.

These events include refreshments, a networking buffet lunch and a presentation from our leading educators and Head of Learning.

Dates of upcoming Professional Development Days will be published on the Awards and Professional Development page of our website www.littlebarnowls.co.uk



Group Visit Days

Come and spend the day with us and experience our unique setting and approach in practice.

Your day starts with a guided tour of the nursery, art studios and farm school, followed by time to observe in an area of practise of your interest, such as the digital atelier (digital art studio), the farm school or Under 2's areas. At lunchtime you will enjoy a buffet lunch with our key Pedagogical Coordinators, Artists and Leaders with time to reflect and discuss practise.

The afternoon features a private presentation of recent nursery projects.

These visit days can be booked for up to six people per day and Managers/Owners are encouraged to discuss ways in which we can tailor the day to maximise the benefit of the visitors and their particular interests or roles.

Workshops and Seminars

With topics as broad as 'Working with recycled materials' to 'Building a winning Early Years team' – our talks, seminars and hands on creative workshops are carefully designed to challenge and inspire the attendees with new ideas to take back to their settings.

As well as upcoming events, our workshops can be brought to your setting to accommodate your whole team.

We will happily bespoke tailor a workshop to your particular interest if you talk to us about your needs.



Consultancy

Are you keen to develop the practise in your setting and feel a one on one approach could help? The Training School at LBO offers consultancy to settings who are interested in developing an enquiry-based learning approach with the help of one of our experienced Consultant Practitioners.

We have first-hand experience of helping practitioners understand how to develop children's interests into longer term, deeper, enquiries and create a highly inspiring and enabling environment for their curious minds to thrive.

Asking people to work differently isn't easy. Our two day 'Take the first steps' package will help you make the right decisions about how to move forward with the developments you want to make, whilst keeping your team enthused by the changes!

Contact us to discuss your needs and we will tailor consultancy to your budget accordingly.



"We should remember that there is no creativity in the child, if there is no creativity in the adult: the competent and creative child exists if there is a competent and creative adult."

- Carla Rinaldi, Principle of Reggio Children

Award Winning

West Sussex Childcare Provider of the Year 2023
- Business Awards UK

Finalists - Nursery Group of the Year 2023
- NMT Awards

Finalists - Most Creative Learning Through Play
- Muddy Stilettos 2023

Nursery Group of the Year
- Nursery World 2020

Nursery of the Year
- Nursery World 2015

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“The most inspirational training course I’ve ever been to!”

- Educator from Cheeky Monkey’s, Jersey

“The setting is wonderful, you fall in love the minute you walk in”

- Educator, London

“Hayley is a very passionate and captivating speaker and her energy for challenging people’s perceptions of education is inspiring... She used examples that were relevant to educators at all levels of experience... I would recommend this session ten times over!”

- Owner of Little Jungle Nursery, London

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**Enquiries and bookings:
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Little Barn Owls Nursery & Farm School is located in the heart of West Sussex, 30 miles from London with direct rail links running from London Victoria and London Bridge stations.

We have free parking and run a free collection and drop off service from local railway stations for those without their own transport.

Visit our website for a map of our exact location.

