City of Edinburgh Council
Early Learning and Childcare Handbook



Session 2026-27

Working together to ensure that all our children have the best start in life.

"We want to ensure all our children have the best start in life. They are all Edinburgh`s children and we want them to be happy, well cared for and have the highest quality opportunities to have fun, play and learn."

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How to contact us

In addition to this Handbook, we have a dedicated Teams platform where all of our guidance and resources are stored for settings to access. We also communicate through our regular Early Years newsletters, keeping settings constantly informed about the latest information and guidance, both from local sources and on a national level.

We are dedicated to providing you with the necessary tools to thrive and ensure the highest quality Early Learning and Childcare for all Edinburgh's children.

If you need to contact the Early Years Team for support, please email directly to:

EarlyYears@edinburgh.gov.uk your email will be passed to an officer who will then contact you directly.

Welcome to the Annual Early Years Handbook

This handbook has been developed to provide essential information, guidance, and support for session 2026-27. Our aim is to equip you with the information that will support you to provide our children with a safe, stimulating, and nurturing environment where children can explore, learn, and grow.

Working in early years is a privilege as we are able to support children on their journey of lifelong learning. How we interact with children and the experiences we provide contributes to their outcomes and impacts the lives of our children and their families.

Thank you for your commitment to excellence in early learning and childcare.

Donna Murray

Head of Education (Early Years, Parents and Operations)

Supporting Quality – The Golden Thread

Support and Challenge

At the core of the Early Learning and Childcare is a deep commitment to providing high-quality provision and enriching experiences for our children. As we continue to advance and broaden the scope of funded ELC, our unwavering priority remains focused on maintaining high quality as the guiding principle, benefiting all children in Edinburgh.

The vision for Early Years in Edinburgh focuses on our children:

To ensure all our children have the best start in life. Their voices are heard, they are happy, well cared for and have quality opportunities to have fun, play and learn.

(UNCRC Article 6)

All Early Learning and Childcare (ELC) settings offering funded hours must have received evaluations of "good" or above for the 4 Key Questions in their most recent care inspection. To support our quality assurance of services, we use national tools such as, The Quality Framework for ELC (2025), Realising the Ambition, and Health and Social Care Standards.

The Early Years team and the Quality Improvement Team will provide both support and challenge. This support will follow a proportionate model, focusing on settings that have undergone significant changes or are not meeting the National Standard. Equally important, we will maintain connections with settings that meet or exceed the national standard to foster a culture of continuous improvement.

A robust cycle of self-evaluation is essential for continuous improvement, and this is set out within the National Standard. Annually all settings will be asked to submit a Standards and Quality Report and an Improvement Plan for the year ahead.

"To give our youngest the best we must strive to be at our best. And to do this it is important for us as a workforce to look after ourselves and each other. Kindness and self-care are vital." (Realising the Ambition P42.)



Self-Evaluation

We use self-evaluation to effectively identify areas for improvement and prioritise them accordingly. Within all Early Learning and Childcare settings, reporting on the standard and quality of provision has been a longstanding core activity. Annually, we carefully review and report on our self-evaluation findings, establishing priorities for improvement, all of which are documented in the SQIP (Standard and Quality Improvement Plan).

In order to uphold quality assurance in line with the National Standard our main self-evaluation tool for session 2026-27 will be the Quality Framework. This rights-based framework provides a holistic approach to assessing care, play and education, containing quality indicators (QIs), which support reflection. These help you identify practices that work and areas that need improvement. This framework will support the scrutiny at national and local level.

Leadership	Children thrive and develop in quality spaces	Children play and learn	Children are supported to achieve
• Leadership and management of staff and resources • Staff skills knowledge values and deployment • Leadership of continuous improvement	• Children experience high quality spaces	• Playing, learning and developing • Curriculum • Learning, teaching and assessment	• Nurturing, care and support • Well-being inclusion equality • Children's progress • Safeguarding and child protection

Our commitment to Equality, Equity and Inclusion is evident in our improvement plans. Furthermore, we are determined to continuously improve and develop our learning environments (Interactions, Experiences and Spaces) and Pedagogy. These priorities together demonstrate our commitment to providing an inclusive, equitable, and innovative Early Learning and Childcare experience for all children.

Leading the Strategy Meetings

ELC Leading the Strategy events provide a platform for the central Early Years Team to support robust self-evaluation for continuous improvement. There is also an opportunity for Senior Leaders' collaboration, enabling them to exchange ideas and share practice across the sector at a local level.

Attendance from the leadership team in your ELC setting is imperative to ensure maximum benefit and engagement.

Provisional dates for session 2026-27 are:

Meeting 1 - 21 October 2026 – Blackhall Primary School

Meeting 2 - 24th March 2027 – venue TBC

Edinburgh Learns for Life

The City of Edinburgh Council has developed a long-term strategy, *Edinburgh Learns for Life*, to shape the vision for Education in order to improve the life chances for all, from babies to adulthood. The work and planning we do in Early Years supports this goal. Throughout the strategy the word school refers to all establishments delivering education.

Vision

A fairer, healthier, greener future for everyone, where learning for life happens at home, in school, in the wider community and in the workplace.

Mission

To create a world class learning city where everyone's skills, knowledge, creativity and relationships with people and places are equally valued. To create an environment of collaboration that inspires connections, improves wellbeing and reduces poverty.



We will provide inclusive, equitable, valuable learning opportunities for everyone.

We will use a place-based approach to build collaborative and sustainable learning communities and networks.

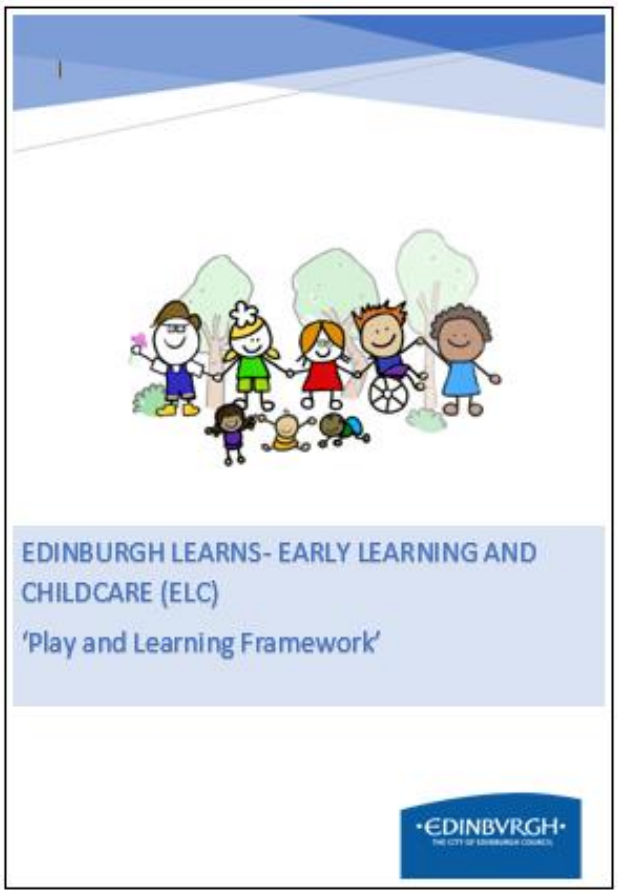
We will co-create the environments where learners can lead and shape their own learning.

The *Edinburgh Learns for Life Strategy* will support long-term planning to improve life chances for all. The pandemic has sharpened our focus on how, when and where we deliver education. This strategy will shape the vision for education for the whole city. Education will be seen as the development of skills, knowledge, competencies and attitudes from early years through to adult education. It will equip our citizens for employment, training, further/higher education and family learning. It is education which happens in school and in the community. It is learning for life.

Edinburgh Learns Early Learning and Childcare- Play and Learning Framework

The aim of this document is to support leaders and their teams to deliver consistent high-quality Early Learning and childcare by developing a shared framework for play and learning. This document brings together National and Local practice documents and guidance to capture key features of effective practice. This will support leaders and teams within ELC settings to develop and articulate a shared understanding of their roles and responsibilities to ensure high quality, consistent provision for all children.

To access this document, click on the image below



Early Years Operational Calendar 2026-27

September 2026	October 2026	November/December 2026	January 2027
• 28th August - All children should have started in nursery • 28th September – central download of information from NAMS and Click + Go for capacity audit. Make sure both systems are up to date.	• Monday 5th October – Friday 9th October 2025 - Send out letters to offer places for spring term intake	• Publicity campaign regarding nursery and primary enrolment. • Notify parents/carers of enrolment processes • Delayed entry to Primary school information distributed.	• 29th January – central download of information from NAMS and Click + Go for capacity audit. Make sure both systems are up to date.
February 2027	**March 2027**	**May 2027**	**June 2027**
• Monday 8th February – Friday 12th February 2026 - Send out letters to offer places for summer term intake • End of February – last submission date for Deferral applications	• Monday 29th March – Friday 2nd April 2026 - Send out letters to offer places for August 2027	• 31st May – central download of information from NAMS and Click + Go for capacity audit. Make sure both systems are up to date.	• Thursday 29th June 2027 - End of Term.

Guidance and Resources to Support ELC

CEC Resources:

There is a wide range of support materials and guidance to support high quality Early Learning and Childcare available on the:

Edinburgh Early Years TEAMS Page

Links to National Guidance and Resources to Support ELC

Quality Improvement framework for ELC; HMIE & Care Inspectorate
This self-evaluation framework supports quality improvement in early learning and childcare (ELC) settings. This rights-based framework provides a holistic approach to assessing care, play and education. It contains quality indicators (QIs), which support reflection. These can help you identify practices that work and areas that need improvement.

National Induction Resource; Scottish Government
A reviewed and updated induction pack has been launched for people working in Early Learning and Childcare

Realising the Ambition: Being me : This new document builds on the original principles and philosophy of Building the Ambition. The new guidance retains the relevant content from the previous guidance which it replaces, extending and strengthening it in line with current research and evidence about how children develop and learn.

Education Scotland National Improvement Hub: A summary of resources to support ELC
This page provides a summary of key information, policy, resources and exemplification relating to early learning and childcare.

Care Inspectorate: ELC Improvement Programme
The Scottish Government has funded this programme to support ELC settings not currently meeting the National Standard, there is a targeted approach and a universal approach. On the Hub there are resources that will support all settings to reach or maintain the grades required to meet the national standard in the form of 'Bitesize' videos.

Health and Social Care Standards:
The Health and Social Care Standards set out what we should expect when using health, social care or social work services in Scotland. The Standards are built upon five principles; dignity and respect, compassion, be included, responsive care and support and wellbeing.

Getting it Right for Every Child (GIRFEC)
Getting it right for every child (GIRFEC) supports families by making sure children and young people can receive the right help, at the right time, from the right people

Curriculum for Excellence
What is Curriculum for Excellence?

Funding follows the Child and the National Standard for ELC Providers: Principles and Practice
This document sets out the approach, and the national standard which all providers wishing to deliver the funded entitlement will have to meet.

My Childminding Experience-Care Inspectorate

Your Childminding Journey: A Learning and Development Resource-Care Inspectorate

My World Outdoors

My Creative Journey

Setting the Table: Nutritional Guidance and Food Standards

Food Matters-nurturing happy healthy children

Space to Grow

Gender Equal Play

Loose Parts Toolkit- second edition

Education Endowment Foundation: Early Years Toolkit

National Guidance for Child Protection in Scotland 2021-updated 2023

Children in Scotland: Improving Children and Young People's Understanding of their Wellbeing

Scottish Social Services Council | SSSC

Children's Rights in Scotland - Children's Parliament

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)



Early Years Inclusion Team

In Edinburgh every child or young person irrespective of identity, background or ability is part of a resilient and positive learning community where they feel;

We belong,

We contribute,

We learn,

We are supported and we help others.

Our Vision:

Within the central Early Years Inclusion Team, we strive to work in partnership and collaboration with staff, settings and the wider community around the child, to enable inclusive spaces and opportunities for all children to grow, thrive and learn within their early years environment's and within their community of peers. The Team is underpinned and aligned by key policies and legislation outlined in the Edinburgh Learns Inclusion framework.

Our Values:

- Inclusion
- Empathy
- Respect
- Partnership
- Empowerment

Our Aims:

- We promote the importance of embedding universal supports for our wider communities of children and enabling inclusive environments for all learners.
- We promote inclusive pedagogy through meaningful and strength-based practices collaborating with staff and settings, to enable spaces to share practice, to role model strategies and provide signposting around next steps to support.
- We work collaboratively and in partnership with the child, staff, professionals and families to support the holistic individual needs of the child in settings. We value the roles of all our colleagues and professionals in early years and recognise the responsibilities that are shared across the team and learning communities to ensure the best outcomes for all children.

Early Years Inclusion Support

There is a team of up to 10 Early Years Officers (EYOs) aligned with localities across the city led by an Operational Support Officer who will provide inclusion guidance across Edinburgh for Nursery aged pupils. The EYO can offer settings guidance around inclusive practice and pedagogy through universal supports and tailored targeted early years strategies and

interventions; this will include working with individual children and keyworkers/settings. The EYO can support with signposting to other networks of support as well as support with informal workshops and role modelling practice.

There are three levels of guidance (Universal, Targeted and Intensive) offered from the team, these are focused, specific and timely periods of intervention to ensure pupils citywide are receiving the right support at the right time.

There is an expectation that all settings empower and upskill all staff to support our youngest learners as well as enable Inclusive environments through embedding universal supports and strategies. Settings should ensure that if a child requires a specific support or input from a professional, that they refer or signpost to that specific support.

Once a tiered support has been fulfilled within the identified timescales aligned to the tier of support, settings will receive a Summary of Input Report.

The Team are aligned with wider sectors around Inclusion, Health, Wellbeing and Education within the City of Edinburgh Council and work collaboratively to ensure the policies and legislation are at the forefront of the evolving sector and team within Early Years.

If settings have any general questions or queries around inclusion supports, they are advised to contact the early years referrals mailbox in the first instance.

Early Years Inclusion - Request for Support

To make an application to the team for inclusion support, apply to Early Years Referrals. Further guidance/Information on the referrals process and referral application can be found on the teams Channel:

Request for Audit & Support paperwork 2026

Request for Audit Hours

To make an application for audit hours settings must follow the step-by-step guidance and the principles of audit allocation. Audit hours would be considered once early years inclusion support has been fulfilled and strategies and interventions are consolidated. Audit hours would only be considered for exceptional needs of children; including complex health & medical. Further guidance/information and referral applications can be found on the teams channel:

Request for Audit & Support paperwork 2026

For all other inclusion queries, early years settings are advised to contact:

earlyyearsreferrals@edinburgh.gov.uk

Early Years Inclusion Tiers of Support

Universal	Universal support is aligned as ELC setting support, to enable holistic supports for all learners within the nursery environment. This will consist of two consultations (One discussion and one workshop or support consultation around inclusive practice, pedagogy and/or signposting to wider guidance). This would be to support with signposting and navigating universal practice and pedagogy through. - Informal Practice Workshops - Universal Practice Support (Navigating resources and Frameworks)
Targeted	Targeted support will focus on the strategies; interventions and experiences tailored for individual children. The EYO will work in collaboration with the keyworker and setting to support strategies and next steps – these can then be implemented onto the child's plan and strategies shared across the staff team to support the pupils within the ELC environment. This level of support will consist of a minimum of six visits from the EYO within the Inclusion team. We aim to ensure that all visits will take place within the timed 4 months of the initial letter issued from the early years referrals. The frequency of the visits will be discussed and organised between the Inclusion EYOs and the setting, as this will depend on individual circumstances of the pupil and ELC setting.
Intensive	This level of support would be tailored depending on the needs of the individual child. This will involve a continuum of early years inclusion visits (monthly) and supports until the pupil starts primary one. Children aligned with this model will be supported by both EYO and Operational Support Officer for Inclusion. Intensive support will focus on the strategies and experiences for the individual child. The EYO will work in collaboration with the keyworker and setting to support strategies and next steps - this will formulate the child's plan. The EYO for Inclusion can attend CPM meetings and partnership meetings with home and setting to support the child's plan and other assessments and tools required or recommended by multiprofessionals.

The Educational Psychology Service: Information for Funded Providers

Who we are: City of Edinburgh Educational Psychology Service is organised into four locality teams (North West, North East, South West and South East):

Principal Educational Psychologist: Martin Gemmell

Depute Principal Educational Psychologists:
Karen Foster, Kirsty Catterall, Aicha Reid and Gillian Barclay

We are based at: Level 1.3, Waverley Court, 4 East Market Street, Edinburgh, EH8 8BG
Telephone: 0131 469 2800

What we do: The Educational Psychology Service is part of the Children, Education and Communities directorate. We work directly with children and their families, schools and multi-agency partners to improve educational achievements and mental health and wellbeing outcomes for the children and young people of the City of Edinburgh. In this way we contribute to improvements that the City of Edinburgh has prioritised for all our children. We also focus the help we give on those children with additional support needs, or who are looked after by our authority and other children whose education is adversely affected by poverty.

Our ethos is to support the presumption of mainstream education, the promotion of the voice of the child and the principles of inclusion and equality for all the children and young people of Edinburgh. We apply psychology as we work collaboratively to generate solutions to the challenges children and young people face. We use our knowledge of child development, our understanding of the process of change with individuals and organisations and our experience of appropriate methods of teaching and learning in our direct work with children, young people and their families. We also provide consultation, advice, policy development, training and research for colleagues. This work is carried out within nursery or school systems and at local authority and national levels.

Contacting The Educational Psychology Service

In each locality team, there is an educational psychologist (EP) with a funded provider remit. These coordinator EPs will offer initial advice and consultation.

The best way to contact your co-ordinator is by telephone or email. They will respond to any query you make and will keep a log of any phone/email consultations with your Centre and the agreed outcomes.

A list of which group of nurseries each funded provider coordinator educational psychologist will link with is included at the end of this document. If you're unsure our business support staff can be contacted at the following email address: eps.businesssupport@edinburgh.gov.uk

If you feel a child has additional support needs, it is important to alert your coordinator as early as possible. They will ensure that you have parental consent for the consultation. You may find it helpful to use our 'Information for parents Leaflet' when talking to a parent about contacting our Service (you should have a copy or you can contact us to request one). If it is agreed that there is a need for our involvement an educational psychologist from the team will be asked to contact you to arrange attendance at a Child Planning Meeting (CPM). Where possible this will be done based on the child's home address and catchment primary school. Attendance at the CPM will provide an opportunity for the EP to meet the child's parent/s and agree next steps.

You can also contact your coordinator about an issue arising in your centre without naming a particular child. General advice about the next steps can be offered. Your coordinator will also be happy to discuss any professional learning or development work that you might be interested in and they can advise you on the process for requesting this.

How we'll work together

We work in partnership and are committed to the principles and practices of Getting it Right for Every Child (useful web link Getting It Right for Every Child (GIRFEC) – The City of Edinburgh Council) will inform our discussion and planning with you.

In our initial discussion with you we are likely to ask the following questions. You may find it helpful to think about these and gather some information before contacting us:

- *Your contact details*
- *Has the parent agreed that you can speak to us?*
- *Child's name/DOB/Family contact details*
- *What is the local catchment primary school where parent plans to enrol the child for P1*
- *Health Visitor/GP surgery details*
- *Have you spoken to the health visitor (key link for under 5's, may have information from developmental reviews to share)?*
- *Child's Strengths*
- *Your concerns about the child*
- *Any assessment information you've gathered (e.g. Developmental Milestone and Learning Overview (DMLO), Up, up and away, GIRFEC resources)*
- *Strategies and supports currently in place*
- *Desired outcomes or next steps*

South East Group

Gillian Barclay Tel: 07857 609 681 E-mail: gillian.barclay@ea.edin.sch.uk

1. Arcadia
2. Blossom Tree-Gilmerton
3. Chapter One (Kirk Brae)
4. Casa Montessori
5. Care bears
6. Early Days
7. Edinburgh Steiner-Kindergarten
8. Forbes Children's Nursery-Bruntsfield
9. Forbes Children's Nursery-Greenhill
10. Forbes, Bruntsfield Place
11. Highland Fling Nursery
12. Kidzcare – Norwood House Nursery
13. Kidzcare – Grange Loan Pre-school
14. Little Learners
15. Little Monkeys - Kilmaurs
16. Oganan Dhun Eideann
17. Meadows Nursery
18. Morningside Children's Nursery
19. ONE-Outdoor Nursery Edinburgh
20. Pinocchio's Nursery - Gilmerton
21. Rainbow Kindergarten
22. Start Bright Nursery
23. Thrive – Corner House, The Grange

North East Group

Elizabeth Bernstein: Tel: 07857 609 599 E-mail: elizabeth.bernstein@ea.edin.sch.uk

1. Bonnington House
2. Bright Horizons - Annandale
3. Bright Horizons- Elsie Inglis
4. Brighton Nursery
5. Busy Bees-Newhaven
6. Cherry Trees Nursery
7. Cosy Cottage
8. Crewe Road Nursery
9. Doune Terrace Nursery
10. Edinburgh Nursery
11. Edinburgh Day Nursery-Asquith
12. Edzell Nursery Class
13. Forbes Nursery – Claremont
14. Headstart Leith
15. Kidzcare-Portobello
16. Leaps and Bounds-Barnton
17. Little Larch playgroup
18. Pilrig Children's Nursery
19. Northfield/Willowbrae playgroup
20. Busy Bees Edinburgh Forres Street
21. Busy Bees Edinburgh Dean Terrace
22. Rocking Horse
23. Summerside Kindergarten
24. Trinity Tots
25. Walker Street Nursery
26. Waterfront Nursery

North West Group

Wendy Inch Tel: 07857 609 667 *E-mail: wendy.inch @ea.edin.sch.uk*

1. Arbor Green Nursery
2. Blackhall Nursery
3. Bright Horizons- Cramond
4. Bright Horizons- RBS Gogarburn
5. Busy Bees Edinburgh Park
6. Corstorphine Nursery
7. Flying Colours Nursery
8. Jigsaw Childcare
9. Kirkliston Orchard Nursery
10. Leaps and Bounds Kirkliston
11. Little Flyers Nursery
12. Little Monkeys – Cramond
13. Melville Street Nursery
14. Montessori Nursery School
15. Nippers Nursery-Kirkliston
16. Nippers Nursery -Queensferry
17. North Edinburgh Child Care
18. Orchard Nursery-Edinburgh
19. Wee Gems Corstorphine

South West Group

Tara Larkin Tel: 07857 609 572 E-mail: tara.1.larkin@ea.edin.sch.uk

1. Bright Sparks Nursery-Murrayfield
2. Busy Bees-Port Hamilton
3. Childsplay Nursery
4. City Nursery
5. Colinton Private Nursery
6. Thrive Corner House – South Gillsland Road
7. Thrive Teviot House Nursery – Spylaw Road
8. Cranley Nursery – Buckstone
9. Cranley Nursery-Lanark Road
10. Currie Children's Nursery
11. Dreghorn Pre-school Group
12. Blossom Tree- Fairmilehead
13. Greenbank Pre-school
14. Holy Corner Community Playgroup
15. Jigsaw Nursery
16. Little Monkeys-Craiglockhart
17. Murrayfield
18. Pinocchio's – Heriot Watt University
19. Smilechildcare
20. Smilechildcare -Under 3s
21. Steiner

Please contact the team if you have any questions or need any further information using the details above.

ELC Settings within localities

North-East Locality

Learning Community	Local Authority Early Years settings	Funded Providers
Castlebrae High	Castleview NC Newcraighall NC Craigmillar ELC Greendykes ELC Moffat ELC Greengables ELC Hawkhill FK	
Drummond Community High	Abbeyhill NC Broughton NC Drummond CN Leith Walk NC	Bright Horizons - Annandale Bright Horizons - Elsie Inglis Busy Bees - Edinburgh Broughton Pilrig Children's nursery
Leith Academy	Hermitage Park NC Leith NC Lorne NC Stanwell NS Leith CN Craigentinny ELC St Ninian's RC St Mary's RC (Leith)	Forbes - Claremont Little Larch Playgroup Headstart Nursery School Wee Mack's
Portobello High	Brunstane NC Duddingston NC Parsons Green NC The Royal High NC Towerbank NC St John's RC	Brighton Nursery Cherrytrees Nursery Cosy Cottage Nursery Highland Fling Nursery Kidzcare Portobello Rocking Horse Nursery Northfield/Willowbrae Playgroup

North-West Locality

Learning Community	Local Authority Early Years settings	Funded Providers
Broughton High	Ferry Hill NC Flora Stevenson NC Granton NC Stockbridge NC	Arbor Green Nursery Crewe Road Nursery Doune Terrace Nursery Early Days Nursery Melville Street Nursery Walker Street
Craigmount High	Corstorphine NC East Craigs NC Fox Covert ELC Hillwood NC Roseburn NC Maybury ELC Corstorphine Hill FK	Bright Horizons – Gogarburn Busy Bees – Edinburgh Park Corstorphine Nursery Jigsaw Childcare Wee Gems
Craigroyston Community High	Craigroyston NC Pennywell ELC Forthview NC Granton ELC Oaklands Special School Nursery Class Pirniehall NC St David's RC	North Edinburgh Childcare Waterfront Nursery
Forrester High	Broomhouse NC Calderglen ELC (temporarily closed) Carrick Knowe NC Gylemuir NC Murrayburn NC St Cuthbert's RC St Joseph's RC	
Queensferry High	Dalmeny NC Echline NC Kirkliston ELC Queensferry ELC Queensferry FK	Leaps and Bounds – Kirkliston Little Flyers Nippers - Queensferry Nippers - Kirkliston Orchard Nursery – Kirkliston
The Royal High	Cramond NC Davidson's Mains NC Clermiston NC Cammo FK Laurieston Castle FK	Blackhall Nursery Bright Horizons - Cramond Flying Colours Nursery Leaps and Bounds - Barnton Little Monkeys Cramond Bright Sparks Nursery – Blackhall
Trinity Academy	Wardie NC Fort ELC Holycross RC Victoria ELC	Bonnington House Busy Bees Edzell Nursery Orchard - Inverleith Summerside Kindergarten Trinity Tots Nursery

South-West Locality

Learning Community	Local Authority Early Years settings	Funded Providers
Balerno Community High	Dean Park NC Ratho ELC	Jigsaw Nurseries Pinocchio's Nursery (Heriot Watt) Compass Playgroup
Currie High	Currie NC Juniper Green NC Nether Currie ELC	Cranley Lanark Road Currie Children's Nursery
Firrhill High	Bonaly NC Bonaly FK Colinton NC Longstone NC Oxgangs NC Pentland NC St Mark's ELC Braidburn Special School NC	City Nursery Colinton Nursery Cranley Buckstone Dreghorn Pre-school Blossom Tree Children's Nursery - Fairmilehead
Tynecastle High	Craiglockhart NC Dalry NC Stenhouse NC Balgreen NS Tynecastle ELC Stenhouse ELC	Bright Sparks - Murrayfield Murrayfield Nursery Little Monkeys - Craiglockhart
Wester Hailes Education Centre	Canal View NC Clovenstone NC Sighthill NC Hailesland ELC Sighthill ELC	Smilechildcare

South-East Locality

Learning Community	Local Authority Early Years settings	Funded Providers
Boroughmuir High	Buckstone NC Canaan Lane ELC St Peter's RC	Childsplay Nurseries Thrive Childcare-Corner House Gillsland Thrive Childcare -Corner House Spylaw Edinburgh Steiner Forbes - Bruntsfield Forbes - Greenhill Forbes – Bruntsfield Place Greenbank Preschool Holy Corner Community Playgroup Morningside Children's Nursery
James Gillespie's	James Gillespie's NC Royal Mile NC Bun-sgoil Taobh na Pàirce NC Tollcross ELC Cowgate Under 5's Hope Cottage NS (Preston St PS) St Leonard's NS (Sciennes PS) Viewforth ELC	Kidzcare – Grange Loan Kidzcare - Norwood House Meadows Nursery Rainbow Kindergarten Thrive Childcare -Corner House The Grange Little Monkeys – Kilmaurs Òganan Dhùn Èideann Casa Montessori
Gracemount High	Gracemount NC Frogston ELC	Little Learners Nursery ONE - Outdoor Nursery Edinburgh
Liberton High	Craigour Park NC Liberton NC Spinney Lane (GilmertonPS) Liberton NS Prestonfield NC Gilmerton ELC St Catherine's NC St John Vianney ELC	Arcadia Nursery Blossom Tree Nursery Carebears Nursery – Lasswade Carebears Nursery - Liberton Chapter One Kirk Brae Pinocchio's – Gilmerton Start Bright- Gilmerton

Links to Support Family Learning

What is family learning?

Family learning encourages family members to learn together as a family, with a focus on intergenerational learning. Family learning activities can also be specifically designed to enable parents to learn how to support their children's learning.

- Realising the Ambition

Programmes, Activities and Groups for parents and carers:

- Download locality booklets from www.edinburgh.gov.uk/pacs or signpost parents and carers to www.joininedinburgh.org
- Parents club – www.parentclub.scot
- Family Support Organisations signpost to Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations' Council (EVOC) website www.evocredbook.org.uk
- FREE parenting helpline, email and web-chat service: for anyone caring for or concerned about a child – open until 9pm Monday to Friday. 08000 28 22 33 parentlinescotland@children1st.org.uk
- Parenting website: access FREE parent resources, support networks and parent help lines on a range of topics. www.parentingacrossscotland.org

ELC Settings Contact Details

ELC SETTINGS (Local Authority)	Address	Tel No	Locality	Learning Community
Balgreen Nursery School	175 Balgreen Road, EH11 3AT	0131 337 1454	SW	Tynecastle HS
Calderglen Early Learning and Childcare	220 Wester Hailes Road, EH11 4NG	0131 453 5754	SW	Wester Hailes EC
Cowgate Under Fives Nursery School	172 High Street, 7 Assembly Close, EH1 1QX	0131 225 7251	SE	James Gillespie's HS
Craigentinny Early Years Centre	4A Loganlea Drive, EH7 6LR	0131 661 8593	NE	Leith Academy
Craigmillar Early Years Centre	6 Craigmillar Castle Gardens, EH16 4BR	0131 661 3126	NE	Castlebrae CHS
Drummond Community High School Creche	41 Bellevue Place, EH7 4BS	0131 556 7028	NE	Drummond CHS
Fort Early Years Centre	North Fort Street, EH6 4HF	0131 554 4077	NW	Trinity Academy
Fox Covert Early Years Centre	c/o Fox Covert Primary School, Clerwood Terrace, EH12 8PG	0131 339 8625	NW	Craigmount HS
Gilmerton Early Years Centre	66 Gilmerton Dykes Street, EH17 8PL	0131 664 1202	SE	Liberton HS
Granton Early Years Centre	10 Wardie Road, EH5 1LY	0131 552 4808	NW	Broughton HS
Greendykes Early Years Centre	205 Craigmillar Castle Avenue, EH16 4DZ	0131 661 3109	NE	Castlebrae CHS
Greengables Nursery School	8A Niddrie House Gardens, EH16 4UR	0131 669 9083	NE	Castlebrae CHS
Hailesland Early Years Centre		0131 442 2163	SW	Wester Hailes EC
Hope Cottage Nursery School	Cowans Close, East Crosscauseway, EH8 9HF	0131 667 5795	SE	James Gillespie's HS
Kirkliston Primary Early Learning and Childcare	3 Kirklands Park Street, Kirkliston, EH29 9EY	0131 333 2336	NW	Queensferry CHS
Leith Academy Community Nursery	20 Academy Park, EH6 8JQ	0131 554 1309	NE	Leith Academy
Liberton Nursery School	Mount Vernon Road, EH16 6JQ	0131 667 4208	SE	Liberton HS
Moffat Early Years Campus	30 Wauchope Terrace, EH16 4NU	0131 661 1401	NE	Castlebrae CHS

Pennywell Early Learning and Childcare	12B McMillan Square, EH4 4AB	0131 332 3855	NW	Craigroyston CHS
Queensferry Early Learning and Childcare	Burgess Road, South Queensferry, EH30 9NX	0131 331 3594	NW	Queensferry CHS
Sighthill Early Years Centre	12 Calder Gardens, EH11 4JD	0131 442 2018	SW	Wester Hailes EC
St Leonards Nursery School	6 West Adam Street, EH8 9SY	0131 667 4674	SE	James Gillespie's HS
Stanwell Nursery School	Junction Place, EH6 5JA	0131 554 1309	NE	Leith Academy
Stenhouse Early Years Centre	43 Ford's Road, EH11 3HS	0131 443 1207	SW	Tynecastle HS
The Spinney Lane Nursery School	13A The Spinney, EH17 7LD	0131 664 9102	SE	Liberton HS
Tollcross Early Years Campus	117 Fountainbridge, EH3 9QG	0131 229 6667	SE	James Gillespie's HS
Tynecastle Nursery School	McLeod Street, EH11 2NL	0131 337 5461	SW	Tynecastle HS
Viewforth Early Years Centre	18 Viewforth Terrace, EH10 4LH	0131 229 6667	SE	James Gillespie's HS
FOREST KINDERGARTEN (Local Authority)				
Forest Kindergarten - Bonaly	Bonaly Scout Centre, 71 Bonaly Road, EH13 0PB	07546 512 650	SW	Firrhill HS
Forest Kindergarten – Cammo Estate	Cammo Estate, 61A Cammo Road, EH4 8AP	07704 021 251	NW	Craigmount HS
Forest Kindergarten – Corstorphine Hill	80A Clermiston Road, EH12 6UR	07704 021 251	NW	Craigmount HS
Forest Kindergarten – Hawkhill Woods	Craigmillar Castle Park, Hawkhill Woods, 2A Greendykes Road, EH16 4DP	07546 512650	NE	Castlebrae CHS
Forest Kindergarten – Lauriston Castle	2a Cramond Road South, EH4 6AD	07704 021251	NW	Craigroyston CHS
Forest Kindergarten – South Queensferry	The VAT Run, Hopetoun Road, South Queensferry, EH30 9SQ	07704 021251	NW	Queensferry CHS
NURSERY CLASSES IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS (Local Authority)				
Abbeyhill Nursery Class	Abbey Street, EH7 5SJ	0131 661 3054	NE	Drummond CHS
Bonaly Nursery Class	57 Bonaly Road, EH13 0FJ	0131 441 7211	SW	Firrhill HS
Braidburn Nursery Class	107 Oxgangs Road North, EH14 1ED	0131 312 2320	SW	Firrhill HS
Broomhouse Nursery Class	Saughton Road, EH11 3RQ	0131 443 3783	NW	Forrester HS
Broughton Primary Early Learning and Childcare	Broughton Road, EH7 4LD	0131 556 7028	NE	Drummond CHS

Brunstane Nursery Class	Magdalene Drive, EH15 3BE	0131 669 4498	NE	Portobello HS
Buckstone Nursery Class	Buckstone Loan, EH10 6UY	0131 445 4545	SE	Boroughmuir HS
Bun-sgoil Taobh na Pàirce	139b Bonnington Rd EH6 5NQ	0131 553 5856	SE	James Gillespie's HS
Canaan Lane Primary Early Learning and Childcare	35b Canaan Lane, EH10 4SG	0131 529 2191	SE	Boroughmuir HS
Canal View Nursery Class	4 Hailesland Place, EH14 2SL	0131442 3894	SW	Wester Hailes EC
Carrick Knowe Nursery Class	Lampacre Road, EH12 7HU	0131 334 4505	NW	Forrester HS
Castleview Nursery Class	2D Greendykes Road, EH16 4DP	0131 661 6429	NE	Castlebrae CHS
Clermiston Nursery Class	Parkgrove Place, EH4 7NP	0131 336 3361	NW	The Royal High
Clovenstone Nursery Class	54 Clovenstone Park, EH14 3EY	0131 453 4242	SW	Wester Hailes EC
Colinton Nursery Class	Redford Place, EH13 0AL	0131 441 1946	SW	Firrhill HS
Corstorphine Nursery Class	Corstorphine High Street, EH12 7SY	0131 334 3865	NW	Craigmount HS
Craiglockhart Nursery Class	Ashley Terrace, EH11 1RG	0131 337 1407	SW	Tynecastle HS
Craigour Nursery Class	Moredun Park Road, EH17 7HL	0131 664 7594	SE	Liberton HS
Craigroyston Nursery Class	Muirhouse Place West, EH4 4PX	0131 343 6465	NW	Craigroyston CHS
Cramond Nursery Class	Cramond Crescent, EH4 6PG	0131 312 6450	NW	The Royal High
Currie Nursery Class	59 Curriehill Road, Currie, EH14 5PU	0131 449 3359	SW	Currie CHS
Dalmeny Nursery Class	Carlowrie Crescent, Dalmeny, EH30 9TZ	0131 331 1447	NW	Queensferry CHS
Dalry Nursery Class	Dalry Road, EH11 2JB	0131 337 6086	SE	Tynecastle HS
Davidson's Mains Nursery Class	Corbiehill Road, EH4 5DZ	0131 336 1184	NW	The Royal High
Dean Park Nursery Class	31 Marchbank Gardens, Balerno, EH14 7ET	0131 449 4529	SW	Balerno CHS
Duddingston Nursery Class	Duddingston Road, EH15 1SW	0131 669 5092	NE	Portobello HS
East Craigs Nursery Class	79 Craigmount Brae, EH12 8XF	0131 339 7115	NW	Craigmount HS
Echline Nursery Class	Bo'ness Road, South Queensferry, EH30 9XJ	0131 331 3397	NW	Queensferry CHS
Ferryhill Nursery Class	Groathill Road North, EH4 2SQ	0131 538 7382	NW	Broughton HS
Flora Stevenson Nursery Class	Comely Bank, EH4 1BG	0131 332 1604	NW	Broughton HS
Forthview Nursery Class	West Pilton Place, EH4 4DF	0131 332 2468	NW	Craigroyston CHS

Frogston Primary Early Learning and Childcare	29 Achnacarry Street, EH17 8AB	0131 529 3738	SE	Gracemount HS
Gracemount Nursery Class	Lasswade Road, EH16 6UA	0131 664 2331	SE	Gracemount HS
Granton Primary Early Learning and Childcare	19 Wardieburn Street, EH5 1EB	0131 552 3987	NW	Broughton HS
Gylemuir Nursery Class	Wester Broom Place, EH12 7RT	0131 334 7138	NW	Forrester HS
Hermitage Park Nursery Class	Hermitage Park, EH6 8HD	0131 554 2952	NE	Leith Academy CHS
Hillwood Nursery Class	Station Road, Ratho Station, EH28 8PT	0131 333 1210	NW	Craigmount HS
Holy Cross Nursery Class	Craighall Road, EH6 4RE	0131 552 1972	SE	St Thomas of Aquin's HS
James Gillespie's Nursery Class	Whitehouse Loan, EH9 1BD	0131 447 1014	SE	James Gillespie's HS
Juniper Green Nursery Class	20 Baberton Mains Wynd, EH14 3EE	0131 442 2121	SW	Currie CHS
Leith Nursery Class	St Andrew's Place, EH6 7EG	0131 554 4844	NE	Leith Academy CHS
Leith Walk Nursery Class	Brunswick Road, EH7 5NG	0131 556 3873	NE	Drummond CHS
Liberton Nursery Class	229 Gilmerton Road, EH16 5UD	0131 664 2337	SE	Liberton HS
Longstone Nursery Class	Redhall Grove, EH14 2DU	0131 443 4743	SW	Firrhill HS
Lorne Nursery Class	Lorne Street, EH6 8QS	0131 554 2308	NE	Leith Academy CHS
Murrayburn Nursery Class	Sighthill Loan, EH11 4NP	0131 453 5339	NW	Forrester HS
Nether Currie Primary Early Learning and Childcare	23 Thomson Crescent, Currie, EH14 5JR	0131 449 3140	SW	Currie CHS
Newcraighall Nursery Class	Whitehill Street, EH21 8QZ	0131 669 3598	NE	Castlebrae CHS
Oaklands Nursery Class	750 Ferry Road, EH4 4PQ	0131 315 8100	NW	Craigroyston CHS
Oxgangs Nursery Class	60 Oxgangs Road North, EH13 9DS	0131 441 3649	SW	Firrhill HS
Parsons Green Nursery Class	Meadowfield Drive, EH8 7LU	0131 661 4459	NE	Portobello HS
Pentland Nursery Class	Oxgangs Green, EH13 9JF	0131 445 1510	SW	Firrhill HS
Pirniehall Nursery Class	West Pilton Crescent, EH4 4EP	0131 332 5256	NW	Craigroyston CHS
Prestonfield Nursery Class	Peffermill Road, EH16 5LJ	0131 667 1336	SE	Liberton HS
Ratho Primary Early Learning and Childcare	6 School Wynd, Rath, EH28 TT	0131 333 1293	SW	Balerno CHS

Roseburn Nursery Class	Roseburn Street, EH12 5PL	0131 337 6096	NW	Craigmount HS
Royal Mile Nursery Class	Canongate, EH8 8BZ	0131 556 3347	SE	James Gillespie's HS
Sighthill Nursery Class	1 Calder Park, EH11 4NF	0131 453 2464	SW	Wester Hailes EC
St Catherine's Nursery Class	Gracemount Drive, EH16 6RN	0131 664 4257	NE	Holy Rood HS
St Cuthbert's Nursery Class	Hutchison Crossway, EH14 1RP	0131 443 2621	NW	St Augustine's HS
St David's Nursery Class	West Pilton Crescent, EH4 4EP	0131 332 3500	NW	St Augustine's HS
St John Vianney Nursery Class	16 Glenvarloch Crescent, EH16 6AP	0131 664 1742	NE	Holy Rood HS
St John's Nursery Class	10 Duddingston Road, EH15 1NF	0131 669 1363	NE	Holy Rood HS
St Joseph's Nursery Class	Saughton Road, EH11 3RQ	0131 443 4591	NW	St Augustine's HS
St Mark's Nursery Class	63 Firrhill Crescent, EH13 9EE	0131 441 2948	SE	St Thomas of Aquin's HS
St Mary's (Leith) Nursery Class	Links Gardens, EH6 7JG	0131 554 7291	NE	Holy Rood HS
St Ninian's Nursery Class	Restalrig Road South, EH7 6JA	0131 661 3431	NE	Holy Rood HS
St Peter's Nursery Class	10 Falcon Road, EH10 4AH	0131 447 5742	SE	St Thomas of Aquin's HS
Stenhouse Nursery Class	4 Saughton Mains Street, EH11 3HH	0131 443 1255	SW	Tynecastle HS
Stockbridge Nursery Class	Hamilton Place, EH3 5BA	0131 332 6109	NW	Broughton HS
The Royal High Nursery Class	Northfield Broadway, EH8 7RX	0131 669 3200	NE	Portobello HS
Towerbank Nursery Class	Figgate Bank, EH15 1HX	0131 669 1551	NE	Portobello HS
Victoria Primary Early Learning and Childcare	1 Windrush Drive, EH6 4TN	0131 476 7306	NW	Trinity Academy
Wardie Nursery Class	Granton Road, EH5 3NJ	0131 552 3896	NW	Trinity Academy

Partner Provision (Private, Voluntary & Independent)				
Arbor Green Nursery	22 Aboretum Avenue, EH4 1HP	0131 343 2345	NW	Broughton HS
Arcadia at Kings Buildings	Max Born Crescent, EH9 3BF	0131 650 7007	SE	Liberton HS
Blackhall Nursery	Ravelston Park Pavilion, Craigcrook Road, EH4 3RU	0131 332 8296	NW	The Royal High
Blossom Tree Children's Nursery - Fairmilehead	2 Oxgangs Road, EH10 7AU	0131 445 1566	SW	Firrhill HS
Blossom Tree Children's Nursery – Gilmerton	2 Newcroft Street, EH17 8RE	0131 664 4944	SE	Liberton HS
Bonnington House Nursery	159 Newhaven Road, EH6 4AQ	0131 554 4140	NW	Trinity Academy
Bright Horizons - Annandale	37 Annandale St Lane, EH7 4LS	0131 557 5567	NE	Drummond CHS
Bright Horizons – Cramond	26 Whitehouse Road, EH4 6PH	0131 336 3222	NW	The Royal High
Bright Horizons - Elsie Inglis	1 Waverley Park, Spring Gardens, EH8 8EW	0131 661 8551	NE	Drummond CHS
Bright Horizons – Gogarburn	RBS Gogarburn, PO Box 1000, EH12 1HQ	0131 626 4200	NW	Craigmount HS
Bright Sparks Blackhall Nursery	65 Telford Road, EH4 2AX	0131 315 3214	NW	The Royal High
Bright Sparks Nursery	58 Saughton Crescent, EH12 5SP	0131 313 1280	SW	Tynecastle HS
Brighton Nursery	9c Bellfield Lane, EH15 2BL	0131 308 8589	NE	Portobello
Busy Bees - Edinburgh Park Nursery	1 Lochside Place, EH12 9DF	0131 339 1245	NW	Craigmount HS
Busy Bees - Newhaven Nursery	Next Generation Centre, Newhaven Place, EH6 4LX	0131 467 4647	NW	Trinity Academy
Busy Bees @ Dean Terrace	12 Dean Terrace, EH4 1ND	0131 332 5920	NW	Broughton HS
Busy Bees @ Forres Street	4 Forres Street, EH3 6BJ	0131 226 5692	NW	Brougton HS
Busy Bees at Edinburgh Broughton	129 Broughton Road, EH7 4JH	0131 557 5675	NE	Drummond CHS
Carebears – Lasswade	126 Lasswade Road, EH16 6QY	0131 281 2644	SE	Liberton HS

Carebears Children's Nursery	55 Liberton Gardens, EH16 6JT	0131 672 1911	SE	Liberton CHS
Casa Montessori	75 Viewforth, EH10 4LL	0131 466 4413	SE	James Gillespie's HS
Chapter One Nursery (Kirk Brae)	50 Kirk Brae, EH16 6HT	0131 664 3031	SE	Liberton HS
Cherrytrees Nursery	1c Duddingston Park, EH15 1JN	0131 669 0405	NE	Portobello
Childsplay Children's Nursery	8 Falcon Road, EH10 4AH	0131 447 0077	SE	Boroughmuir HS
Colinton Private Nursery	22 Dreghorn Loan, EH13 0DE	0131 477 7330	SW	Firrhill HS
Compass Playgroup	1 Main Street, EH14 5RU	0131 449 4530	SW	Balerno CHS
Cosy Cottage Nursery	59 Northfield Broadway, EH8 7RX	0131 285 6855	NE	Portobello HS
Cranley Nursery – Buckstone	226 Braid Road, EH10 6NZ	0131 445 2227	SW	Firrhill HS
Cranley Nursery - Lanark Road	438 Lanark Road, EH13 0NT	0131 441 2200	SW	Currie CHS
Crewe Road Nursery	122 Crewe Road South, EH4 2NY	0131 332 8392	NW	Broughton HS
Currie Children's Day Nursery	79 Riccarton Mains Road, EH14 5NB	07852 463 004	SW	Currie CHS
Dreghorn Pre-School Group	25/27 Dreghorn Gardens, EH13 9NW	0131 441 5974	SW	Firrhill HS
Early Days Nursery - Doune Terrace Nursery	9c Doune Terrace, EH3 6DY	0131 225 3805	NW	Broughton HS
Early Days Nursery – Manor Place	32 Manor Place, EH3 7EB	0131 226 6184	NW	Broughton HS
Early Days Nursery – Melville Street Nursery	57 Melville Street, EH3 7HL	0131 226 6184	NW	Broughton HS
Early Days Nursery – Walker Street Nursery	17 Walker Street, EH3 7NE	0131 220 2699		
Edinburgh College - Waterfront Nursery	350 West Granton Road, EH5 1QU	0131 297 8800	NW	Craigroyston CHS

Edinburgh Steiner School Kindergarten	60 Spylaw Road, EH10 5BR	0131 337 3410	SE	Boroughmuir HS
Edzell Nursery Ltd	St James Church, 57B Inverleith Row, EH3 5PX	07909 672 377	NW	Trinity Academy
ESMS Junior School Nursery	Ravelston Dykes, EH4 3NT	0131 347 4777	NW	
Flying Colours Nursery Barnton	534 Queensferry Road, EH4 6EE	0131 574 2679	NW	The Royal High
Forbes Children's Nursery (Bruntsfield Place)	46 Bruntsfield Place, EH10 4HQ	0131 229 1970	SE	Boroughmuir HS
Forbes Children's Nursery (Claremont Park)	12 Claremont Park, EH6 7PJ	0131 553 5068	NE	Leith Academy
Forbes Children's Nursery (Forbes Rd)	5 Forbes Road, EH10 4EF	0131 229 5511	SE	Boroughmuir HS
Forbes Children's Nursery (Greenhill)	7 Bruntsfield Terrace, EH10 4EX	0131 228 4513	SE	Boroughmuir HS
Greenbank Pre-school	Greenbank Parish Church, Braidburn Terrace, EH10 6ES	0131 447 8068	SE	Boroughmuir HS
Headstart Nursery (Leith)	16 Queen Charlotte Street, EH6 6AT	0131 555 0700	NE	Leith Academy
Highland Fling Nursery	11 East Brighton Crescent, EH15 1LR	0131 468 3456	NE	Portobello HS
Holy Corner Community Playgroup	Christ Church Hall, Morningside Road, EH10 4DD	07519 123 815	SE	Boroughmuir HS
Jigsaw Childcare	40 Turnhouse Road, EH12 8LX	0131 339 5557	NW	Craigmount HS
Jigsaw Nurseries	5 Main Street, Balerno, EH14 7EQ	0131 449 4516	SW	Balerno CHS
Kidzcare @ Grange Loan	133 Grange Loan, EH9 2HB	0131 668 2792	SE	James Gillespie's HS
Kidzcare @ Norwood House	9 Kilgraston Road, EH9 2DX	0131 668 2792	SE	James Gillespie's HS

Kidzcare @ Portobello	2 Windsor Place, Portobello, EH15 2AA	0131 669 5040	NE	Portobello HS
Kirkliston Orchard Nursery	24 Newliston Road, Kirknewton, EH29 9EA	0131 333 4621	NW	Queensferry CHS
Leaps and Bounds Day Care Kirkliston	15 Main Street, Kirkliston, EH29 9AE	0131 333 2679	NW	Queensferry CHS
Leaps and Bounds Day Care Nursery	56A Drum Brae North, EH4 8AZ	0131 339 1490	NW	The Royal High
Little Larches Nursery	8a Loaning Crescent, Edinburgh EH7 6JT	07578 772 771	NE	Leith Academy
Little Flyers @ Ingliston	4a Ingliston Road, EH28 8AU	0131 335 3679	NW	Queensferry CHS
Little Learners Nursery	98 Lasswade Road, EH16 6SU	0131 664 3434	SE	Gracemount HS
Little Monkeys @ Craiglockhart	1 Craiglockhart Terrace, EH14 1AJ	0131 443 8701	SW	Tynecastle HS
Little Monkeys Cramond House	Cramond House, Kirk Cramond, EH4 6HZ	0131 336 3089	NW	The Royal High
Little Monkeys Nursery (Kilmaurs)	28 Kilmaurs Road, EH16 5DP	0131 667 5544	SE	James Gillespie's HS
Meadows Nursery	5 Millerfield Place, EH9 1LW	0131 667 5316	SE	James Gillespie's HS
Morningside Children's Nursery Ltd	1 Nile Grove, EH10 4RE	0131 629 2770	SE	Boroughmuir HS
Nippers Nursery	Verdun Villa, 18/19 Main Street, Dalmeny, EH30 9TU	0131 319 1778	NW	Queensferry CHS
Nippers Nursery @ Kirkliston	The Glebe, Kirkliston, EH29 9AS	0131 333 3348	NW	Queensferry CHS
North Edinburgh Childcare	18b Ferry Road Avenue, EH4 4BL	0131 332 8001	NW	Craigroyston CHS
Northfield/Willowbrae Playgroup	Northfield/Willowbrae Community Centre, 10 Northfield Road, EH8 7PP	0131 661 5723	NE	Portobello HS
Oganan Dhun Eideann	139b Bonnington Road, EH6 5NG	07939 160 067	SE	James Gillespie's HS

ONE at Mother Goose Nursery	50 Howden Hall Road, EH16 6PJ	0131 620 4380	SE	Gracemount HS
Orchard Nursery	29 Inverleith Row, EH3 5QH	0131 552 5000	NW	Trinity Academy
Pilrig Children's Nursery	102 Pilrig Street, EH6 5AY	0131 629 2500	NE	Drummond CHS
Pinocchios @ Heriot Watt	Gate One, Riccarton Campus, EH14 4AS	0131 451 5236	SW	Balerno CHS
Pinocchio's Children's Nursery - Gilmerton	6 Ferniehill Road, EH17 7AB	0131 664 3276	SE	Liberton HS
Rainbow Kindergarten	72 Gilmour Place, EH3 9NX	0131 228 1668	SE	James Gillespie's HS
Rocking Horse Nursery	60A Duddingston Road, EH15 1SG	0131 669 0819	NE	Portobello HS
Smilechildcare - Pre-School	17 Calder Grove, EH11 7LZ	0131 476 7800	SW	Wester Hailes Education Centre
Start Bright Nursery	449 Gilmerton Road, EH17 7JG	0131 629 4948	SE	Liberton HS
Summerside Kindergarten Limited	1 Summerside Street, EH6 4NT	0131 554 6560	NW	Trinity Academy
The City Nursery	47-48 Greenbank Drive, EH10 5SA	0131 446 0088	SW	Firrhill HS
The Corstorphine Nursery	24 Featherhall Avenue, EH12 7UN	0131 334 8787	NW	Craigmount HS
The Murrayfield Nursery	52 Saughton Crescent, EH12 5SP	0131 346 4459	SW	Tynecastle HS
Thrive Childcare and Education - Corner House - The Grange	13 Minto Street, EH9 1RG	0131 668 3300	SE	James Gillespie's
Thrive Childcare and Education - Corner House Nurseries – Gillsland	2 South Gillsland Road, EH10 5DE	0131 447 4050	SE	Boroughmuir HS

Thrive Teviot House Nursery (Spylaw)	2 Spylaw Road, EH10 5BN	0131 229 1500	SE	Boroughmuir HS
Trinity Tots Nursery	9 Granton Road, EH5 3QJ	0131 551 3020	NW	Trinity Academy
Wee Gems Corstorphine Ltd	6a Featherhall Avenue, EH12 7TQ	0131 334 2960	NW	Craigmount HS
Wee Mack's Nursery	71 Constitution Street, EH6 7AF	0131 378 6650	NE	Leith Academy
Willow Den at Spartans	Ainslie Park, 94 Pilton Drive, EH5 2HF	07983 526 953	NW	Craigroyston CHS
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NURSERY PLACES - INTAKE OF CHILDREN

The phasing in of children into their nursery places in the autumn term should be completed by **Friday 28th August 2026**. **Please note any shortfall in the full funded hours as a result of a phased start should be made available to the child in agreement with their parent/carer. If your nursery is unable to fulfil this timescale, please contact the early years team asap.**

EARLY LEARNING and CHILDCARE ADMISSIONS POLICY

Please familiarise yourself with this document, it is available on the Orb.

ELIGIBILITY DATES FOR A PRE-SCHOOL PLACE

Pre-school year – Children born between 1/3/21 and 28/2/22 will be accessing their pre-school year and should start nursery at the beginning of the autumn term in August.

Ante pre-school year – please refer to table below to find out when child's entitlement begins:-

Date of Birth			Eligible from
1 March 2023	–	31 August 2023	August 2026 (Autumn Term)
1 September 2023	–	31 December 2023	January 2027 (Spring Term)
1 January 2024	–	28 February 2024	April 2027 (Summer Term)

Remember – children born in March & April 2024 are NOT eligible until August 2026.

DELAYED ENTRY TO PRIMARY SCHOOL FOR SESSION 2025/2026

Children born between 10/08/2021 and 28/2/22 who have been granted a delayed entry to primary school should start nursery at the beginning of the autumn term in August. **Please ensure that an additional funded year has been granted BEFORE ANY OFFER OF A PLACE IS MADE TO A CHILD BORN BETWEEN THESE DATES**. You can check this with the Early Years team.

LETTERS WITH OFFERS OF NURSERY PLACES SHOULD BE SENT OUT AS FOLLOWS: *SUBJECT TO CHANGE*

Intake term	**During the week of**
Spring Term – **January 2027**	Monday 5th October – Friday 9th October 2026
Summer Term – **April 2027**	Monday 8th February – Friday 12th February 2027
Autumn Term – **August 2027**	Monday 29th March – Friday 2nd April 2027

Terrific 2s – Early Learning and Childcare for Terrific 2 year olds

A number of local authority centres offer funded places for children aged 2 years whose families meet the criteria set by the Government. Please note that this criteria has changed – please see criteria below. From August 2020, children who meet the eligible 2 year old criteria will be eligible for a funded place from the week following their 2nd birthday.

Families should be directed to the Council website for information.

http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/info/20071/nurseries_and_childcare

You may qualify if you get one or more of these benefits effective from 1 April 2025

- Universal Credit with a monthly household earned income of £885 per month or below. Note: disability allowance is not included as income.

'Take-home pay' is how much money you get after these things are taken from your pay:

  - tax
  - National Insurance
  - pension contributions.
- income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-based Employment Support Allowance, Incapacity Benefit or Severe Disablement Allowance
- State Pension Credit
- support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
  or if your child is
- looked after or is considered to be at risk of becoming looked after
- under a kinship care order
- is living with a parent-appointed guardian
- care experienced or has a parent who is care experienced
- in temporary accommodation/homeless

or if the family has

- graduated from the Family Nurse Partnership (FNP).

NAMS

As you are aware, the NAMS system is used by our partner provider centres to calculate early learning and childcare funding for their children. **It is crucial that all NAMS records are kept up to date, especially in respect of hours attended within your setting**.

If you get the following message when processing an application – '*accepting this record will create a split placement*' - this will probably be because a child is already attending another nursery. You **MUST** check whether or not the child will remain at the other nursery or if they will be leaving **BEFORE** you accept the record - otherwise it will create an incorrect split placement. Please also remember that private nurseries should **NOT** be added as 2nd or 3rd choices – parents/carers should be advised to contact them directly.

SEEMIS Early Years System update

No further updates on the new SEEMIS Early Years System no 'Go Live' date set.

Admissions Policy

Please continue to follow Early Learning and childcare admissions policy – The City of Edinburgh Council until instructed otherwise.

SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT CENSUS – (SCOTxED)

It is a requirement that all centres accurately complete the annual census which will be emailed to centres by the Government. The information collected from the census is used to determine the levels of funding allocated to CEC for the provision of early learning and childcare.

Any enquiries about the census should be directed to Sanjeev Paul on 469 3200.

CARE INSPECTORATE CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

Please check that the details on your registration certificate are up to date with the correct manager's name and the maximum number of children at each session. If changes need to be made, The Care Inspectorate will need to be notified asap of any variations. If **ANY** variation is required**, please discuss first** with your Early Years Manager/QIEO.

CAPACITIES AUDIT

Information from the NAMS and Click and Go systems will be downloaded by the early years team at the end of September 2026, January 2027 and May 2027. This will be used to assess the demand for nursery places across the city as a whole and the staffing requirements specific to your nursery school or class for the academic year 2027/28. Please ensure that the data for your establishment is up to date at these times. **Please ask if you need assistance with this process.**