Helping you navigate education and childcare options for your 2, 3 or 4 year old at Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School and Nursery, New Malden



Feeling confused about your options?

Trying to balance work and affordable childcare?

Unsure about the benefits of moving your child to a school setting?

"A high-quality early years education is vitally important. Children attend early years provision at a crucial developmental point in their lives. The education and care that they receive affects not only future educational attainment but also their future health and happiness." (Ofsted, November 2022)

Sacred Heart offers a safe, nurturing, homely learning environment in our school nursery for 3 and 4 year olds. We also have Little Hearts Preschool onsite (for 2 and 3 year olds). Both providers have been graded 'Good' by Ofsted and offer a range of learning experiences covering all 7 areas of learning in the Early Years Foundation Stage. Both settings are open during school term-time (38 weeks per year) and qualified, friendly staff are dedicated to providing each child with the support and encouragement they need to learn and grow.





Did you know that by combining Little Hearts or nursery with our on-site breakfast and after-school club, Kidz Klub, we provide quality care for working parents between 7.30am and 6.00pm, 5 days a week, 38 weeks a year? We know this option can be especially helpful for working parents with older children already attending Sacred Heart.

Kidz Klub also offers their popular holiday clubs during most school holidays.

Using a combination of our wrap-around care and preschool or school nursery can offer excellent value when compared to alternatives such as a day nursery or childminder. See the case studies below for an idea of how much our flexible childcare offer costs.

We appreciate that covering the cost of childcare isn't always easy, especially in the current financial climate. The UK government offers a range of funded childcare schemes to help lighten the financial load.



More information about these schemes can be found here https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/

We recommend creating and account to see what funding you are eligible for, but here are some examples of the help that is available:



Tax free childcare. Open an online account on gov.uk and check your eligibility. For every 80p paid in the government will top up by 20p saving you 20% on childcare costs. Sacred Heart, Little Hearts and Kidz Klub are all approved providers.

15 hours funded. All 3 years olds get 15 hours per week funded childcare in a government approved setting for 38 weeks of the year. Sacred Heart Nursery and Little Hearts Preschool are approved childcare providers. Little Hearts accepts eligible 2 year olds and both settings accept all 3 and 4 year olds. Sacred Heart Nursery offers 15 hours in 3-hour sessions (either morning or afternoon) from Monday to Friday during school term time. If you need more flexibility in how your 15 hours are used, for example using your hours over 2 ½ days each week, Little Hearts may be able to help.

30 hours funded. 3 and 4 year olds with working parents may be entitled to 30 hours funded childcare for 38 weeks of the year (during term-time). Sacred Heart Nursery offers 30 hours as morning and afternoon sessions from Monday to Friday. This does not cover the lunch period but we offer the option of a paid lunch session (11.30am to 12.30pm) to link the free sessions. If you need more flexibility in how your 30 hours are used, Little Hearts may be able to help.

At Sacred Heart, we can put together a bespoke package of education and childcare by working together with Kidz Klub, Little Hearts and Sacred Heart Nursery. Here are some case studies:

Peter (3 years old) attends Sacred Heart Nursery (using 15 hours of free childcare) from 8.30am to 11.30am Monday to Friday during school term-time. His parents pay for an additional lunchtime session (£6 per day) from 11.30am to 12.30pm and he sometimes has a school lunch (an additional £2.50 per day) or brings a packed lunch from home. His parents pay for an afternoon session (£18 per day) from 12.30pm to 3.30pm Monday to Friday and he also attends Kidz Klub after-school club on-site from 3.30pm to 6.00pm where he has tea. (£20 per day). The total cost per day for his childcare and education from 8.30am to 6.00pm is £44.

Nazneen (3 years old) arrives at Kidz Klub breakfast club at 7.30am each day then she joins Little Hearts Pre-school at 8.30am and stays until 2.30pm (using 30 hours of free childcare). Her parents top-up the 30 hours until 3.30pm (£6 per day) then Nazneen joins Kidz Klub after school club until 6.00pm (£30 per day for breakfast and after-school club). The total cost of per day for her childcare and education from 7.30am to 6.00pm is £36.

Ji-woo (3 years old) is eligible for 30 hours funding. She starts Sacred Heart nursery at 8.30am each day and stays until 11.30am. Her parents pay £6 for the additional lunch session 11.30am to 12.30pm and she brings a packed lunch each day. She joins afternoon nursery from 12.30pm until 3.30pm. The total cost per day for her childcare and education from 8.30am to 3.30pm is £6.

Tamim (3 years old) arrives at Kidz Klub breakfast club at 7.30am each day then he goes to Sacred Heart nursery from 8.30am to 11.30am (using 15 hours of free childcare). His parents pay for the lunchtime session (£6 per day) and for a hot school lunch (£2.50 per day). They also pay for an afternoon nursery session (£18 per day) from 12.30pm to 3.30pm Monday to Friday and Tamim attends Kidz Klub after-school club on-site from 3.30pm to 6.00pm where he has tea. (£30 per day for breakfast and after-school club). The total cost per day for his childcare and education from 7.30am to 6.00pm is £56.50.

3 reasons to choose Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School and Nursery

Nurturing environment



Our 'Learning in Love' motto runs through everything we do and we have high expectations of good behaviour. 100% of children surveyed said that Sacred Heart adults care about them and they feel safe at school.

Fantastic community



We work closely with our parents and carers and 98% of our families would recommend Sacred Heart. We are an inclusive school, welcoming families of all faiths and none and we celebrate the fact that there are 30 different languages spoken by Sacred Heart children. 100% of our staff say they are proud to work at our school.

Strong teaching and learning



98% of our parents believe their children do well at Sacred Heart. In 2022, 55% of our year 6 pupils moved on to 'Top 50' London secondary schools according to the Sunday Times Parent Power list.

