

# Cherry Tree Nursery

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The video begins with children playing outside and in the classroom. There is a song being sung by the staff and children.

## **Cath Linstrem the Nursery Manager talks to camera**

“Hello. My name is Cath Linstrem. I manage Cherry Tree Nursery along with Alison Clough. We are based in the Hollingdean Children’s Centre and based in the middle of Hollingdean. 10 minutes walk from 5 ways and 10 minutes walk from Moulsecoomb train station. Easily accessible from the A27 by car and from the Ditchling Road.

“We have two large spaces; one for our children from 2-5 years old and the other for our under 2 and a half year olds. We have a large shared garden as well as a smaller garden. We have a café in our children’s centre. They provide our food. All our food is freshly prepared on the day and on the premises with locally sourced food where available.

“Cherry Tree nursery is a very friendly nursery with a family feel. The rooms join up regularly so across the age groups we can be together for various times across the day. All children have a key worker who look over the children and make sure planning is done to children’s interests. The activities are very child centred depending on what children are into at that time.

“I’ve been at Cherry Tree since 2004 when we first opened. I was a nursery practitioner at the time and helped to set the nursery up. There are three of us that are still here from 2004. Myself and Alison. Also, Kelly who is senior staff and based in the turtle room. We also have another member of staff, Leslie who has been here since 2005. Other members of staff started in 2008 and 2009 and onwards. Our staff stay here for a long time.

“We have really large spaces inside Cherry Tree Nursery with easy access to the outdoor environment. The garden doors are open through the day and children can be outside in all weather. The children are able to climb trees, play in the mud kitchen and we take part once a week in outdoor nature sessions.

“All of our staff are qualified. We have three qualified teachers. Myself and the other manager have degrees in Early Years and we have two Early Years professionals within the nursery. “

End of Cath talking to camera.

### **Alison Thomas, Teacher, talks to camera**

“My role at Cherry Tree Nursery is a lovely one and I very much enjoy it. I work with a team of people who are well qualified and well-motivated. We track the sort of things the children are interested in. Our primary thing is to find out what they are good at first and then take them forward from there. We always also look for the gaps to see where we can help them a little bit more.

“We are very lucky to be right on the side of the South Downs national park. We make good use of that by going out and up to the woods nearby to the Downs. Short walks for us, but great fun. We are very lucky to get a lot of parental support for these trips. “

End of Alison talking to camera.

### **Morgan Richardson, Father of Ida, talks to camera**

“We choose Cherry Tree nursery primarily because of all the space they have here. They have an enormous amount of indoor and outdoor space. The kids can play in the sandpit, they can play in the water, they can have stories on the beanbag or play in the kitchen indoors.

“A lot of the places we looked at were a converted house with a small garden just didn’t offer that. The decision was quite easy really. “

End of Morgan talking to camera.

### **Corinna Wander, Mother of Grace, Hannah and Edith talks to camera**

“All three of my children have developed brilliantly at Cherry Tree. They have all learnt so much from being here. Grace is now in secondary school and I think being at Cherry Tree gave her a brilliant foundation for school and gave her a solid base. She is doing really really well. Hannah is now going into the juniors and Edith is due to start reception in September. I have no worries about them starting school and moving on because I know they are doing so well because of what they learnt at Cherry Tree. “

End of Corinna talking to camera.

### **Morgan Richardson, Father of Ida, talks to camera**

“Since Ida has been at Cherry Tree she has grown enormously in confidence. When we first brought her here she was very shy. She would take a long time to let go of Mum or Dad when we dropped her off. Now as soon as we open the door she runs in. “

End of Morgan talking to camera.

### **Corinna Wander, Mother of Grace, Hannah and Edith talks to camera**

“I would recommend Cherry Tree nursery to everybody and anybody purely because it is a safe environment, the staff are amazing, they show all the child such love, care and attention. They make them happy. I have no worries about leaving my children here. I know they are going to be well

looked after and be completely safe and they are going to have an absolute ball while they are here. I would really recommend it and wouldn't think about putting my children anywhere else. "

End of Corinna talking to camera.

### **Cath Linstrem the Nursery Manager talks to camera**

"If you want your children to be cared for in a child centred nursery where we have outdoor spaces to climb trees, to run around, to go on walks on the Downs, take part in outdoor nature sessions every week, have home cooked food, and really caring quality staff then this is the nursery for you."

End of Cath talking to camera.

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