



CANOPY
children's nursery
ST ALBANS

**Nurturing
Better Beginnings**



Welcome to Canopy

At Canopy we are on a mission to disrupt the landscape of childcare provision, giving children the power to change the world in their own unique ways.

Nothing about your child is average, they are unique, special and individual and we will support and encourage them to be the best version of themselves.

Every moment is an opportunity for your child to experience or encounter something magical which we encourage by creating environments and opportunities that will inspire their awe and wonder.

We are passionate about giving your child the best possible beginnings and helping to bring more harmony into your busy lives by offering a supportive, nurturing day care service that's tailored to your needs.



Our Habitat

Canopy St Albans is a beautifully designed children's nursery located in the former United Reform Church in the heart of Bricket Wood, a village community to the South of St Albans which is highly accessible from the M1 and M25.



This L shaped, single storey building has large windows on both sides, filling the 3 large rooms with light, as well as bifold doors to the rear, giving each room its own access to the extensive gardens.



The Canopy Children's Nursery

We welcome children from birth until they start school.

In the nursery we have three distinct environments to enable age-appropriate development, together with free-flow access to the gardens:

- Hazel: Babies from birth to two years old
- Beech: Toddlers from two to three years old
- Oak: Preschool children from three to four years old

Curriculum

At Canopy we look at the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage through the eyes of children to develop a truly engaging curriculum called The Canopy Code. It is a blended approach based on aspects of the Reggio Emilia ethos which views young children as individuals who are curious about their world and have the powerful potential to learn from all that surrounds them. Curious explorers, confident communicators, independent learners and inquisitive thinkers are the life skills, attitudes and behaviours we nurture in our children. Your child's specific interests and needs will influence how our curriculum is delivered, enabling them to follow their passions and discover their powers.

Partnership

We will involve you, listen to you and communicate openly and honestly with you so that we become your trusted partners in ensuring your child reaches their full potential.

Healthy Routines

During their day at Canopy, your child will sit down with other children for freshly prepared organic meals and snacks, relax in a quiet, comfortable environment to rest/sleep and will learn new ways to challenge their physical development.

Fees

Fees are fully inclusive of meals, drinks and snacks. We ask parents to supply nappies and formula/breast milk only.

Security

The safety and security of your child is always our number one priority and is a rigorously enforced via state-of-the security systems.

Inclusivity

At Canopy we pride ourselves on being fully inclusive and actively celebrate diversity. We are experienced at providing personalised routines for children with specialist needs. We always start with the child, get to know them and help them feel settled and comfortable and then we work with parents/carers and external advisors to create an individual plan to help your child thrive.



'Play is the highest expression of human development in childhood for it alone is the free expression of what is in a child's soul'



Why Canopy St Albans?

Our Community:

Bricket Wood is a village community, within which Karishma is developing Canopy St Albans as a vibrant and supportive community hub for young families that you can be part of.

Our People:

Canopy St Albans is not a chain but is owned and managed by Karishma, a talented and dedicated childcare professional who is committed to her team, her customers and her community.

Our Habitat:

The refurbished premises and extensive gardens have been designed to create a unique child-orientated environment which invites curiosity and exploration. Indoor and outdoor areas flow, encouraging discovery and play outside.

Security:

State-of-the art facial recognition software throughout the nursery provides an extra layer of protection and reassurance.

Fresh, organic meals and snacks:

Canopy St Albans is partnering with chefs and nutritionists at Nursery Kitchen to develop menus which will best suit your children to enjoy healthy and diverse foods and flavours. To find out more go to: <https://nurserykitchen.co.uk/>

Health & Wellbeing:

Time spent in nature is so beneficial for young children that we promote outdoor learning and encourage children to be active and engaged with their friends outside. At the same time, quiet, comfortable areas are available so children can take time out if they wish.

Natural Environment:

The natural environment extends inside the nursery as plants and natural resources abound to maintain the fresh, calm atmosphere of a wooded glade.

Canopy Code:

Whilst nurturing care is the foundation of your Canopy experience, Canopy St Albans will focus on supporting your child's progress across all areas of early childhood development via the delivery of the The Canopy Code, elevating the Early Years Foundation Stage to another level.

Flexibility:

We understand the many challenges facing today's parents as they juggle many demands on their time and build a partnership which is flexible according to each family's needs.

Communication & Technology:

Whether you wish to know what your child has eaten, see what they have achieved, ask us a question or find out about the next nursery event, our nursery app enables us to communicate easily and effectively with each other.





Thank you for your interest in Canopy St Albans.

Choosing the right nursery for your child is a big decision and I am delighted that you have chosen to find out more about us. I hope that this prospectus gives you a flavour of what you can expect from my nursery but it is really only the tip of the iceberg in terms of how we operate and what we can provide for your child. We are committed to building a thriving 'home from home' nursery which becomes part of the heart and soul of the Bricket Wood community. I would now like to invite you to come and meet me at the nursery so that we can get to know each other a bit better.

We can discuss your childcare needs in more detail whilst I show you and your child around and answer any questions that you may have. It is never too early to start this process as well-respected nurseries tend to develop waiting lists and I want to be in a position to accept your child's registration if you choose us. I look forward to meeting you and your child soon if you choose us as your trusted childcare partners.

Karishma Dhamecha

Nursery Director of Canopy St Albans







Contact




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