



DROXFORD MONTESSORI SCHOOL

SPRING TERM 2025

JANUARY 2025

A Warm Welcome Back!

A very big welcome back to all our families! We hope you had a wonderful festive break. Please do take a moment to share any special memories or updates on your child's development with us by creating an observation on Tapestry - we'd love to hear all about it!

This Term's Topic: Space

This term, we're diving into the fascinating theme of Space, following the Montessori ethos of investigation and discovery. We can't wait to see where the children's curiosity leads us!

Gardening Club Update

We're excited to welcome Mr. Berry back for Gardening Club in March. In the meantime, we'll be maintaining the allotment and exploring for signs of spring.

2-Year-Old Spaces

Our 2-year-old spaces on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday are now fully booked. A waiting list is in place for those interested.

Holiday Club Dates

Our Holiday Clubs will be running in February and April - be sure to save the dates!

Parents' Evening

Join us for Parents' Evening on 18th March, 4-6 PM. Booking will open closer to the date.

Meet Miss Flora

Most of you have already met the lovely Miss Flora, who will be with us until the end of the summer term. Miss Flora has lived in France, Singapore, and Bali, is fluent in French, and is a former student of Bedales School, Hampshire.

Simplified Payments for Extra Hours

We're now able to take payments for extra hours on an ad hoc basis at the time of request. This means no more additional invoices, making things simpler for everyone! **(Requests for additional hours can only be made by telephone).**

Love Miss Scarlett, Miss Jen & Miss Lucie, Miss Cassia & Miss Caroline, Miss Flora x

Funding

All parents can check their funding eligibility at: www.childcarechoices.gov.uk



Spring Term Dates

First day of Term Monday 6th January

Half Term 17th - 21st February

Last Day of Term Friday 4th April

Our day starts at 9am if you require an earlier start please book onto our Breakfast Club.

Activities start from 9.30am except Forest School; Friday which is at 9.15am.

Monday; Cookery

Tuesday; Music & Movement

Wednesday; Gardening club with Mr Berry

Thursday; Yoga

Friday; Forest School Session **We leave promptly & children should arrive dressed and ready for a morning outdoors no later than 9.15am. Please ensure you bring your child dressed and ready for their outdoor session. This should include labelled waterproof trousers and jacket and sun hat. Please apply your child's suncream before drop off, this saves us time and ensures we get to enjoy a whole morning of Woodland adventures.**



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SPRING HALF TERM & EASTER HOLIDAY CLUBS

17th & 19th February

7th to 11th April

9.00am to 4.00pm

Early drop off
sessions available

**BOOK
NOW**

Download your booking form at
www.droxfordmontessori.co.uk
bookings@droxfordmontessorischool.co.uk



Barefoot policy

This term we would like to introduce a 'barefoot policy' in our setting.

At Droxford Montessori we are extremely passionate about keeping up to date with the very latest research regarding every aspect of a child's development.

New research has shown that children who are able to participate in educational activities whilst barefoot experience many additional benefits.

From better concentration, to stronger feet and ankles improving balance and stimulation through the feet and soothing the nervous system.

If you wish to opt out, let us know.

In winter we recommend crocs or well fitting slippers.

Sound Box

To support individual literacy work, we have a sound box for group work. This covers one phonetic sound a week, starting with "a" in our second week back. We will follow the alphabet sequence each week, please see the board informing you of the letter/sound of that week.

We encourage the children to bring one object to their first session of the week and take it home at the last session of the week. We play games with the objects whilst learning the sound. If items can be named please do so. If an object can be eaten, we would all like to eat it!

We start the term with the letter O

Operating hours

Monday - Friday
9.00am to 3.00pm

Breakfast club

**Everyday
from 8.30am.**
**Please pre-book
this with a teacher.**

Telephone
communication
to 3.30pm
Email communication to 5.30pm



If you have opted to pay by a voucher scheme, the first payment is due on the first day of term and subsequent payments are then due the first of the month. This also applies to instalment arrangements.

All accounts must be cleared within the term.

Fee Structure

Breakfast club from 8.30am; £5.00

Private Rate for children aged two - five years:

Morning 9.00am to 12.00pm: £21.00

Lunch: £6.90

All Day 9.00am - 3.00pm: £42.00

Funded Rate for children aged three - five years:

Please note; funded hours can be accessed a term after your child is three and until the term after your child's 5th birthday

Consumable fee for children receiving 15 universal hours funding;

Morning 9.00am to 12.00pm: £7.00

Lunch: £2.50

All day 9.00am to 3.00pm: £14.00

Consumable fee for funded two year olds:

Morning 9.00am to 12.00pm: £3.00

Lunch: £2.50

All day 9.00am to 3.00pm: £7.00

Funding cut off dates:

Autumn Term 1st September- 31st December

Spring Term 1st January- 31st March

Summer Term 1st April- 31st August

Extended 15 hours can be claimed with an eligibility code provided to the team at Droxford each term and are not subject to additional consumable fees.

No deductions will be made due to absences for holidays or illness during term times. A terms written notice is required to terminate a place once the child has started.