



Children Of Towan Kindergarten

- *For the Love of Play* -

Prospectus 2026-27

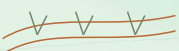
BY THE SEA. ROOTED IN RELATIONSHIP.

A small, soulful preschool where children are known deeply, held steadily and given room to grow.

16 MONTHS - 5 YEARS

TERM-TIME SETTING

PORTHTOWAN



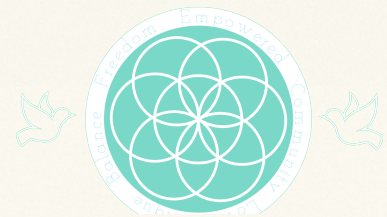
HOME OF THE ARCHETYPE APPROACH

A small preschool with a wide horizon



Nestled in the heart of Porthtowan, just a short walk from the beach, Children of Towan is a small, soulful preschool for children aged 16 months to 5 years.

We are community-based, relationship-led and gently structured. Our days are calm but full; playful but purposeful; predictable but responsive.



We believe early childhood should feel safe, meaningful and unhurried.

BELONGING OVER PERFORMANCE

CURIOSITY OVER PRESSURE

CONNECTION OVER CONTROL

● OUR ETHOS

The Archetype Approach

We follow the statutory Early Years Foundation Stage through our own lens - The Archetype Approach. That means looking at the whole child: not just milestones, behaviour or ability, but temperament, energy, imagination, sensitivity, courage, movement and social rhythm.

Rather than shaping children into one ideal, we help them grow into balanced, confident versions of who they already are.



EXPLORER

WATCHER

HELPER

REBEL

THINKER

BUILDER

Steady, spacious and never rigid

Our rhythm gives children enough predictability to feel secure - and enough freedom for curiosity, play and relationship to lead.

01

Morning

Warm welcome
Free-flow play and creative invitations
Outdoor time and flexible snack
Stories, music and movement



02

Midday

Packed lunch in a relaxed social space
Calm connection and reset time

03

Afternoon

Outdoor play, walks or beach visits
Imaginative projects and group experiences
A gentle close to the day

We get sandy. We get muddy. We sing. We build. We rest.

There is space here for big energy and quiet corners.



Held safely. Given room.

Outdoor play & safe risk

We spend time outside as often as we can. Some days that means beach adventures; some days it is boots on and exploring puddles.

Climbing, balancing, exploring tools and testing limits are supported within clear, thoughtful boundaries. Safe risk builds resilience, judgement and confidence when held by steady adults.



PLEASE SEND CLOTHING FOR THE WEATHER



● SETTLING IN

New trust, built gently

Starting preschool is a big transition - for children and parents. We begin gently, moving at the child's pace wherever possible.

1

Arrive together

A parent or carer usually joins their child for around an hour during the first session.

2

Notice readiness

As confidence grows, we look for a natural opportunity to trial a short separation.

3

Build the rhythm

Sessions expand gradually as new bonds form and drop-off becomes comfortable.

Your child will be supported by a key person who builds safety through consistency, warmth and attuned presence.

Communication, health and food

Communication

We value open, calm communication and aim to work in partnership - not simply to inform, but to collaborate.

- Observations and updates through Tapestry
- Memos and reminders via Tapestry
- Email for important information
- Telephone contact when needed
- Daily handovers at drop-off and collection

Health & wellbeing

We follow current UK guidance on illness, infection control and exclusion periods. Children who are unwell or infectious need to remain at home for the recommended period, helping to protect the wider community.

If you are unsure, please ask - we are always happy to clarify.

Food & packed lunches

We provide a healthy daily snack and encourage regular water. Children staying for lunch should bring a balanced packed lunch.

- Wholegrain sandwiches, wraps or pasta
- Chicken, tuna, egg, hummus or beans
- Fresh fruit and vegetables
- Yogurt or dairy alternatives
- Water - no fizzy drinks or juice cartons

We gently discourage sweets, chocolate and high-sugar snacks. The aim is steady energy and positive lifelong habits - not strict policing.

What to bring

- ☐ Labelled water bottle
- ☐ Spare clothes
- ☐ Nappies and wipes, if needed
- ☐ Healthy packed lunch for full days
- ☐ Weather-appropriate clothing

Simple, transparent session fees

Fees are based on your child's age at the start of term. These are the rates shown for the 2026-27 prospectus.

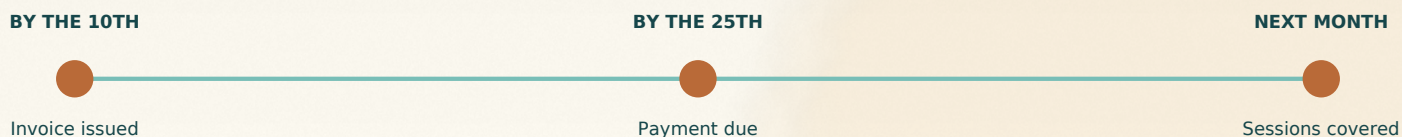


Funded hours

We accept eligible Government-funded entitlements, including 15 and 30 hours. Working-parent entitlement codes must be applied for and reconfirmed in time for the relevant funding deadline. Parents are responsible for keeping codes valid; we are happy to guide you through the process.

Payments & invoices

Privately paid sessions, including non-funded and additional hours, are payable in advance.



Example: an invoice issued by 10 May covers June's sessions and is due by 25 May. If you experience difficulty, speak to us early - communication matters.



Four steps to secure a place

Places are confirmed when the required paperwork has been received and the registration fee has been paid.

01 Registration form

Tell us the practical details we need to care for your child.

02 All About Me

Complete the Archetype Approach form so we can begin by knowing your child.

03 Funding form

Provide entitlement codes and parent details where funding will be used.

04 Registration fee

Pay the £25 fee, covering administration and initial set-up.

● THE ADULTS SHAPE THE ATMOSPHERE

Our team

Children of Towan is led by Olli and Katharine, supported by a small team of reflective practitioners.

- DBS checked
- Paediatric First Aid trained
- Safeguarding trained
- Committed to ongoing professional development

We work on our own regulation. We use calm voices. We hold clear, respectful boundaries. Children thrive when the adults around them are steady.





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● COME AND FEEL THE SPACE

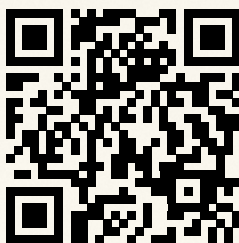
Visiting us

The best way to know if we are right for your family is to visit. See the rhythm, meet the team and imagine your child here.

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