

## The Caterpillar Club

The Caterpillar Club is a not for profit charity which aims to provide good quality childcare that is affordable. We are situated in the grounds of Ferndown First School in a purpose built unit. There is an excellent outside play area which promotes healthy active and safe play. We have an excellent team of fully trained friendly staff to help the children to develop, thrive and enjoy their learning.

### Contact

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### Venue

**Venue address** Ferndown First School Mountbatten Drive  
Ferndown  
Dorset  
**Postcode** BH22 9FB  
**Locality** East Dorset

### Date/Time

**Opening times** Mon: 07:45-16:30  
Tue: 07:45-16:30  
Wed: 07:45-16:30  
Thu: 07:45-16:30  
Fri: 07:45-16:30

### Service Details

**Vacancy information** Please call for details.  
**Cost(s)** £5.50 per Hour  
**Cost variations** Breakfast Club is 7:45am till 8:30am this is £4.50. Late session from 3:30pm till 4:30pm this is £6.50  
**Additional Information** Provision has an inclusion / equal opportunities policy. Parents can use their entitlement for the Early Years and Childcare Funding in the following sessions - 8.30am to 11.30am, 11.30am to 12.30pm and 12.30pm to 3.30pm. We offer a breakfast Club from 7.45am which is £4.50 and a late session which is 3.30pm till 4.30pm which is £6.50. Please note that a place in a school nursery does not guarantee admission to the school on site. Parents/carers must apply for a place at the school if you want your child to transfer to the school's reception class. See [www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/school-admissions](http://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/school-admissions) for more information and to apply.  
**Age Range** 2 years 0 months to 4 years 11 months

### Ofsted Registered Details

Ofsted inspection result	Date of last inspection	Inspection result	Ofsted report
	18/07/2019	Good	<a href="#">View here</a>

**Ofsted Report notes** If a childcare provision is run by a school they may not be separately registered with Ofsted, therefore the link to their report will be for the school.

**Registration details**

Registration number	Ofsted registration date
144322	17/01/1997

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## Early Education

**Free early education places**

15 Hours For 2 year olds	15 Hours For 3 & 4 year olds	30 Hours For 3 & 4 year olds
Yes <a href="#">What is this?</a>	Yes <a href="#">What is this?</a>	Yes <a href="#">What is this?</a>

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## Accessibility

**Wheelchair accessible**

Ramp to access building.

**Parking availability information**

On site parking, drop off facilities and a disability bay.

**Toilet facility information**

Ground floor toilet, although it is not wide enough for a wheelchair to go inside. Child would have to be carried into toilet cubical.

**Other Facilities**

One staff member is designated special educational needs and disability co-ordinator and will seek additional funding for children as necessary. We have a wonderful outside area for all learning activities to be carried out outdoors if required.

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## Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Local Offer

**Support for children and young people with SEN and disabilities**

All children are individuals and will develop at different rates. We plan our activities to make sure each child's needs are met. If we find a child is not developing in any area we will discuss their needs with the parents. We work closely with parents to build a good relationship. Each child is allocated a Key Person who is responsible for their learning and development. The Key Person will collate a file that has written observations and photographs of the child's achievements. This is shared regularly with the parents we encourage them to be involved with their child's file. If a child needs support with their learning and strategies we have tried have not worked we may seek advice from outside agencies such as Health Visitors or Speech and Language therapists or other professionals. This would only be done with parental consent. A Special Educational Needs and Disability coordinator works within the setting, Susan Crow. She will work with the child's Key Person, Parents and Professionals to make sure all the child's needs are met. She will fill out all relevant paperwork discussing with the parents what the next steps will be and how we will work together to achieve the best possible outcomes for the child. She will also claim any additional funding available to buy resources and additional training for staff. We have close links with the Primary Schools in the area and work with them to make sure transitions are smooth and happy for all children.

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**Record Last Updated**

02/08/2021

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Most childcare providers listed in our directory are open and operating, however on occasions there may be a need to close for short periods on the advice of Public Health Dorset or due to staffing illness. Please contact providers with enquiries.