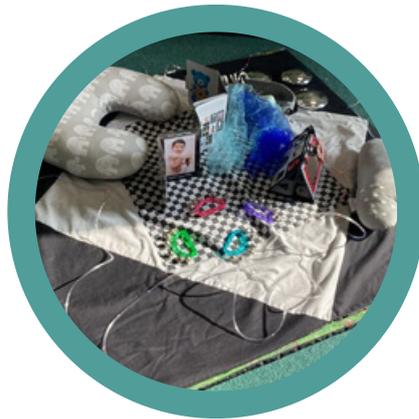




North  
**Halifax**  
Partnership



**Family Hubs**  
Calderdale



# Welcome to the Baby and Toddler Group!

Find out what we offer,  
how you can benefit and further  
information

# North Halifax Baby and Toddler Groups

Tuesday 9:15-10:45am

Creation's Family Hub and Nursery  
Albert Road, Pellon, Halifax, HX2 0QD  
**01422 434006**

Wednesday 9:30-11:00am

Illingworth Family Hub and Nursery  
Occupation Lane, Illingworth, HX2 9RL  
**01422 243633**

Thursday 9:30-11:00am

Holy Nativity Church (Partnered with Ash Green Family Hub and Nursery)  
Sunny Bank Road, Mixenden, Halifax, HX2 8RX  
**01422 243941**

Thursday 1:30-3:00pm

Northowram Family Hub  
Lydgate, Northowram, HX3 7EJ  
**01422 434006**

Friday 9:15-10:45am

Innovations Family Hub and Nursery  
Cousin Lane, Ovenden, Halifax, HX2 8DQ  
**01422 248222**

Friday 1:20-2:40pm

Kevin Pearce Family Hub Annexe, Ovenden Road, HX3 5RQ  
**01422 358876**

## Children's learning is based around play at our Baby Groups

Staff plan exciting play opportunities for your children to explore and investigate, these include the following:

- Treasure baskets, material, mirrors, musical instruments, sensory messy play including: paint, foam, dough, books, sand and water.
- Staff plan play opportunities based around individual children's needs, with plenty of opportunities to stimulate the senses and encourage interaction.
- We plan for children's learning using the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum. We have an information pack for parents/carers, explaining the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS). You can ask the group lead for a copy of this.

## What will you as parents/carers learn at the session?

- You will understand how children learn through play and how your child's learning is linked to the early year's foundation stage curriculum (EYFS).
- You will have opportunities to experience many activities with your child as well as the opportunity to meet other parents and carers.
- These activities can be tried out at home.

Research suggests that the more engagement a child receives from their parent/carer the more successful is their development.

All the fun activities and play you do with your child during the session are very important to your child's learning and development. We would like to support you in capturing these special moments by providing opportunities for you to :

- Plan and fun, stimulating activities for your children
- Share with your child's School or Early years setting

The room where the play group is held will have a planning board for your ideas.

We encourage you to take photos weekly with the centre's ipad. We now use the Famly app so speak to a member of staff if you would like a profile setting up for your child!



# Things you may need to know

## Celebrations

Any birthday cakes provided by parents must be shop bought and remain in the packaging to enable the allergen information to be available. It will be the parent's choice to allow their child to eat this.

## Breastfeeding

All our Family Hubs are breastfeeding friendly, we are happy for parents to breastfeed during the session.

## Snacks

We do provide a healthy snack for little fingers. Please make practitioners aware of any allergies.

## Messy Play

There will be activities such as painting, sticking and gluing so please don't dress your child in clothes that you wouldn't want to get dirty.

## Volunteers

From time to time we may have parent volunteers helping to run our session; we will introduce volunteers to you during the session.

## Supervision

Please note that it is your responsibility to supervise the children in your care and to ensure their health, safety and welfare at all times whilst at these sessions.

## If your child is unwell

Infections are common in childhood and some can spread rapidly amongst children. Keep your child at home if they don't seem well enough to take part in the group activities, or if you suspect they have an infection that can be spread to others.

It is best to keep your child at home especially if they have:

- A fever
- A serious respiratory illness such as flu
- Diarrhoea and/or vomiting
- A contagious skin disease such as impetigo

If you are unsure speak to a member of staff.



We thank you for not using your phone!

## Taking photos of children in session

Following feedback from parents it has been agreed that parents should not use their phones or cameras to take photographs of any children, including their own, when attending activities at our Family Hubs.

Staff running these activities will challenge any parents seen to be doing this.

Each Family Hub has an iPad and parents are encouraged to use this to take photos as appropriate.

The Family Hub will then arrange for the parent to have a copy.

It is not acceptable for any photos taken during a Family Hub activity to be placed on any social media site like Facebook or Twitter.

## Using mobile phones in sessions

We appreciate that sometimes you may need to answer your phone or send a message. We ask that if you need to do this you be as discreet as possible and if you need to speak on the phone you go out of the room whilst you take the call and ask someone to watch your child if necessary.

Find out what else we have going on across our organisation:

[www.northhalifaxpartnership.org](http://www.northhalifaxpartnership.org)

Search for your local Family Hub on Facebook

For any enquiries regarding our Baby Groups or anything else about our Family Hubs, please feel free to contact us.

If you are interested in becoming a sessional worker or a volunteer for North Halifax Partnership Family Hubs please ring 01422 251090 for more information ask your group lead.