

NMPAT Wellingborough Little Stars Centre timetable 2025-26



9.15-10.00am	10.00-10.40am	10.40am	10.55-11.35am	11.35am-12.15pm
Little Musicians A5 EA	Little Musicians A5 EA	B R E A K	Chirpy Cellos / Fiddling Frogs A15 EA	Little Artists B3 TK
	String Beans A15 EM		Little Recorders A13 SR	

EA	Mrs Aspinall
SR	Mrs Reid
TK	Mrs Kowcun
EM	Mrs Meads

Nursery-age children are welcome but should only attend Little Musicians, unless invited to join Fiddling Frogs. Please read the parental guidance, particularly regarding staying at Centre and supervising your child.

Little Musicians	String Beans	Chirpy Cellos / Fiddling Frogs	Little Recorders	Little Artists
Developing musical skills through stories, movement, and games Ages 3-7	First steps in string orchestra playing, fun warm ups and tunes Some Experience	Beginner mini violins and cellos, instruments provided Aged 4-7	First steps in playing the recorder, instruments provided Ages 4-7	Varied artistic activities Ages 4-7

NMPAT Little Stars in Saturday Centres – general guidance for families

The aim is to provide a safe, positive, musical and educational experience for all children. All are viewed as unique individuals with stage not age, an important principal. Every Saturday Centre organises Little Stars classes to take full advantage of the skill set of their Early Years practitioners. To provide this experience, Centre Heads will consider the following when advertising and allocating classes:

Age range: The core age range for Little Stars at Centres is Reception to Year 2 (4-7 years), but Centre Heads may choose to open classes to 3-year-olds if, for example, they are a sibling, or if their practitioner is particularly keen on 3-year-olds! Where numbers are high, priority will be given to school aged children.

Parents / carers: As an education provider and not childcare, **it is expected that a named parent/carers will be on site for the whole time** to take their child to the toilet and help with any other issues. After a period of settling in, parents/carers are encouraged to wait outside the room – if accommodation allows a social space for parents may be made available, but the reality may well be standing or sitting in a corridor – bring a cushion and a thermos!

Class size: The overwhelming criteria is keeping children safe. Centre Heads will consider the space, type of lesson and resources they have available. For example, a mini strings lesson is likely to have fewer children than a choir. A class with a student helper may have more children than a class with a lone practitioner. Families are asked to respect the professional advice of the Centre Head and the Early Years practitioners.