



Checklist for your Kindergarden tour

It's hard to take in all the information you're given when you visit a childcare location, which is why we've produced a checklist to help you make your choice. This checklist tells you what to look out for, so you'll soon be able to drop your child off at the childcare center without any concerns!

A good feeling

- What is my first impression of the atmosphere: safe, familiar, loving?
- What do I think of the group rooms and the garden?
- How do the childcare staff treat me and my child?
- What is the adjustment period like?

Location & opening hours

- How long will it take me to get to the location?
- Is there enough space for my car or bicycle?
- Can I leave the buggy there?
- Between what times can I drop off and pick up my child?
- Is there a waiting list for the days I need childcare?
- Can I exchange days or take extra ones?

Quality

- How many childcare staff members are in a group? Are they permanent staff?
- Are there support staff?
- Will my child get their own mentor?
- What safety provisions are in place at the location?
- Can I see the inspection report?

Daily routine

- What is the location's daily routine?
- What are the arrangements for eating and drinking? Is there a hot meal, for instance?
- What are the arrangements for any dietary requirements or a different routine?
- Where and when will my child sleep?
- Will my child have enough time and space to play?
- How often do the children go outside?

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Groups

- How many groups are there at the location?
- How large are the groups?
- Are they peer groups (horizontal) or with all ages together (vertical)? Why was this type of group chosen?
- What is the idea behind the design of the group rooms and the garden?
- Is there enough for all ages to do and discover?

Policy & childcare

- Does the childcare policy appeal to me?
- What are the educational objectives? Is there an educational program?
- How is my child's development stimulated?
- Are the toys and games challenging enough for each age?
- Is there a dietary policy? What does this involve?
- What activities are organized both indoors and outdoors?

Fees

- How much does the childcare cost per hour?
- What is included in the rates and what isn't?
- What do I need to bring myself?

Communications

- How am I kept informed on the days my child is at the childcare location?
- What is the handover like when I bring and collect my child?
- Will you discuss my child's development with me?
- As parent, how am I involved with the childcare in a broader sense?
Is there a parent committee?

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