



Welcome to
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In Bracknell there is a big house, it is called Larchwood.
This is a place where you can have fun and enjoy yourself and
feel safe. You can learn new skills and meet new friends.



Some people come to play for the day...

The Playroom

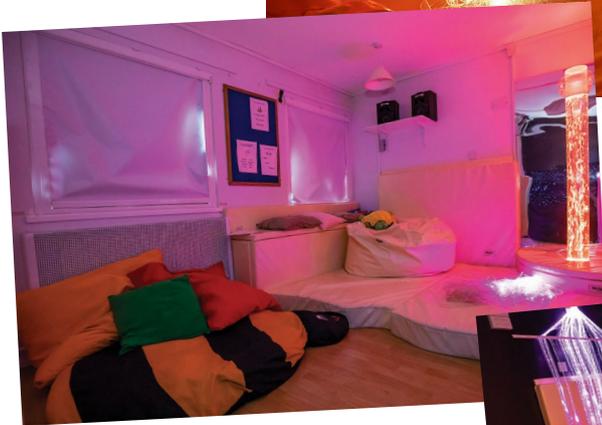


There is a playroom with a TV, DVD player and a games console. There is also a large interactive smart board where you can play games and use the internet.

You can enjoy toys and games, do puzzles, listen to music and relax with friends.

The Sensory room

You can use the sensory room and play with the sensory equipment.



The Garden

There are 2 big gardens for you to have fun in. You can ride a bike, play football, use the swing and lots more. We also have a huge trampoline for you to bounce on and musical instruments for you to use.

Larchwood also has use of a mini bus, which we use to go out on trips to parks, museums, restaurants and other fun places.





Linkworkers

One member of staff will be your linkworker.

They will visit you at home and school to introduce themselves to you and your family.

All staff will try very hard to help you to be happy at Larchwood and feel comfortable.

You and your family will be asked lots of questions to find out what you like and don't like, so that we can make your time at Larchwood enjoyable. This information will be written into your care plan so that everyone working with you can read it and know what to do.

Staff will be there to listen and help with any choices you wish to make.



Meal times

We like to eat our meals together in the dining room. You can choose to sit with friends and chat about your day.

You can enjoy good tasty food. We try to give you food you like and encourage you to try new foods.

You may have a special diet that we can help you follow.

If you have any special equipment we will have this for you to use.

Healthy snacks are always available too.



Some people come to sleep at Larchwood...

We have 5 bedrooms, painted in different colours.

You can bring toys, games, books and anything else that makes you feel settled. It is best you don't bring anything that might get broken or lost.

Don't forget to bring your clothes and wash bag.



Staff sleep at Larchwood too, in case you need any help in the night. There is a member of staff awake every night to make sure that you are safe.

There are 2 bathrooms and a separate toilet.

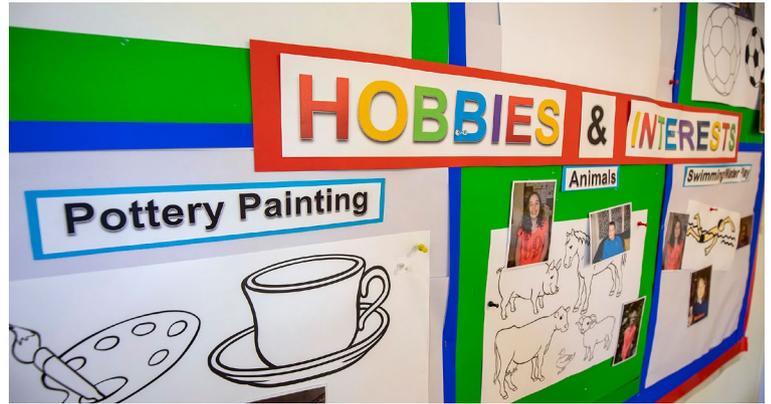
One of the bathrooms has special equipment if you find it difficult to get in and out of the bath.

You can also choose to have a shower.



Some people come for the Friday Night teenage group...

You can come to have fun and meet your friends. You can learn about different things to help you to become more independent. You can learn about different cultures, how to keep safe, and how to help your community.



You will learn how to make your own dinner and to buy the ingredients.

The Teenage group also enjoy doing lots of different activities in the community, like bowling, cinema, pottery painting and meals out together.

Daily routines

Mornings



Afternoon



WOW!

Well Done!

.....Linden.....
You have done really well in
achieving your SmartStar for
.....Drawing for 10 mins in a
.....Nap & listening to the cassette.



Date: 25th May 2018
Staff Signature:Paul.....

Well Done!

.....Anayah.....
You have done really well in
achieving your SmartStar for
.....doing an activity.....
.....from the box.



Date: 2nd July 2018
Staff Signature:Paul.....

Well Done!

.....EMMA.....
You have done really well in
achieving your SmartStar for
.....listening to the audio cassette.....
.....at school.....



Date: 21st Oct 2018
Staff Signature:Paul.....

Well Done!

.....Elisa.....
You have done really well in
achieving your SmartStar for
.....doing an activity.....
.....at home.....



Date: 10th June 2018
Staff Signature:Paul.....



Well done Elisa for doing
brilliant listening and walking
and having a lovely day at

Trilakes!

27th May 2018



Well Done! Congratulations!



31/05/2018
Jack having fun and
making good choices in
Wendon.



Some people come to Larchwood 'On the Move'...

You can come to Larchwood and then go out into the community with a member of staff to take part in different activities or clubs.

We can support you with activities like going to the gym, attending clubs or simply having fun with a friend.

These activities can be about building your confidence, meeting new people, keeping fit or learning new skills.



General Information

Before you come to stay you can visit with your family to see what we do and what Larchwood is like.

If you bring any medicines with you, staff will keep them safe and remind you when it is time to take your medicine.

If you are ill during your stay we will look after you and phone your family/carers if we need to.

There are some offices where the staff may need to do some work.

You can use a telephone to phone family whenever you wish. You can also call friends or your social worker.

We like to share and join in with everyone's special days throughout the year, these can be religious, cultural/spiritual celebrations as well as birthdays.



General Information

You are encouraged to give your views, your likes and dislikes.

If you are not happy about something during your stay it is quite alright to say so. You might like to talk this through with a staff member, manager or your linkworker, who will listen to you and help you sort it out.

If you or your family have a complaint you can contact:

1. The manager at Larchwood on 01344 452315
2. Your social worker
3. Ofsted on 0300 1231231
4. Children's Complaints Manager at Bracknell Forest Council on 01344 351737
5. Child Line 0800 1111

Alternatively, you can contact the office of the Children's Commissioner 'Help at Hand' on 0800 5280731. It is the job of the Children's Commissioner to promote and protect children's right to make life better for children and young people in England.

If you feel that you need some support to get your voice heard by the right people or need someone to help you to take action, you can contact an advocate. An independent advocate can be contacted via the Children and Young People Complaints Manager on 01344 351737.

Contact Information

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