

# Kita Familycare Westfeld

The Familycare Westfeld daycare center is located in the heart of the newly developed Westfeld area in the so-called "Schiff" building of the former Felix Platter Hospital. The new, child-friendly and lovingly furnished rooms with their floor-to-ceiling windows and access to the garden from all group rooms encourage children to discover, play and move. The wonderful garden with its large sand area and water feature fascinates young and old alike. Like all Familycare Basel Kita, the Familycare Westfeld Kita and its entire staff stand for high quality pedagogical values and look after the children according to recognized educational principles (refer to pedagogical concept in German).

## Location & how to get there



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By public transport: Trams 3 and 14, bus 36, 64 and N21 (Felix Platter-Spital) and buses 31, 36, 38 and 64

(Thomaskirche)

By car: Approx. 800m to the A3 motorway exit (St. Johann)

### **Childcare places**

48 places in 4 mixed-age groups

## Age

Under 18 months 18 months to 2 years 2 to 4 years Kindergarten children

#### **Opening hours**

Monday to Friday from 06:30 a.m. to 06:30 p.m., except around Christmas and New Year and on public holidays (refer to information <u>leaflet regarding days off and holidays</u>).

In the morning, the children must be brought to the daycare center by 09:00 a.m. at the latest. As a rule, the children can be picked up from 04:30 p.m., or earlier by arrangement with the pedagogical staff. In case of absence of the child, the care team must be informed by telephone by 08:30 a.m. Pick-up must be no later than ten minutes before the end of booked care.



#### Acclimatization

The Familycare Basel daycare centers comply with the Berlin "Infans" familiarization model for the settling- in of new children. The child, as well as the parents, slowly get accustomed to the pedagogical caregivers, the structures and the initially unfamiliar environment. The child builds a secure bond with the new caregiver and can thus feel safe and at ease in the daycare center. Familiarization is important in order to build trust between the parents and the caregiver; it promotes good cooperation, creates transparency and openness.

### Daily schedule

The day in the Familycare Basel daycare centers begins with the arrival of the children and the morning exchange with their parents.

Important components of everyday life in the daycare centers are:

- Recurring rituals
- Active participation of the children in shaping everyday life
- A wide range of experiences through educational offers in the development areas of language, thinking and social competence
- Free exploration seasons
- Experiences in nature and in the Kita's own garden/yard
- Need-oriented and age-appropriate care and support in hygiene
- Varied, healthy and balanced nutrition, regular eating situations with various possibilities for selfdetermined learning and participation
- Rest periods that are oriented to the individual sleep rhythm and the needs of the individual child

In the evening pick-up time the parents are informed about their child's personal experiences and the course of the day and the families are bid farewell.

### Cooperation with the parents

The Familycare Basel daycare centers live the partnership with parents and children in a variety of ways. In order to strengthen the child in the best possible way, parents and educational staff are in close contact. Regular exchanges, daily conversations between door and window, status reviews and various events contribute to a trusting relationship and create transparent cooperation for the benefit of the child.

### Costs 2024 - Valid as of 01.08.2024 (Parental contribution model Familycare Basel - Canton Basel-Stadt)

CHF 3'034.-/month for children above 18 months for 5 days/week

CHF 3'984.-/month for children up to and including 18 months for 5 days/week

The settling-in usually takes about two weeks and takes place at the same time as effective entry.

The minimum occupancy level at Familycare Basel is 40% (or 30% for childcare with kindergarten).

## Registration & place allocation process

For the daycare center management to be able to concretely check availability, <u>online registration</u> is required. This is free of charge and non-binding, cancellation is possible at any time.

## Viewing appointment

By advance arrangement

Basel, April 2024