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Welcome Lofland Christian Nature Pre-School, where children grow in faith, character, knowledge and wonder. Our Christ-centred, nature-inspired learning environment encourages every child to discover God's creation through meaningful play, exploration and joyful learning.

Our Mission is to partner with families in providing a safe, loving and Christ-centred environment where every child develops spiritually, emotionally, socially, physically and academically while discovering God's creation through nature-based learning.

Our Vision is to raise confident, compassionate and curious children who love God, respect others and develop a lifelong love of learning.

Our Educational Philosophy

At Lofland Christian Nature Pre-School we believe every child is uniquely created by God. Our programme combines structured early childhood education with outdoor exploration, creativity, practical learning and Christian values. Children learn through discovery, play, hands-on experiences, stories, music, movement and guided instruction.

Our nature of activities are presented from a Christian life perspective, with the Bible as a guideline. Toddlers learn that they are special and therefore all activities are offered to suit every child's level of development.
Although a structured program is offered, all activities are created that the toddler can print his own stamp on it. Creativity and originality are the starting points.

Learning Rotation Programme

Children rotate through specialised learning environments:

- Literacy & Language
- Mathematics & Discovery
- Nature & Science
- Creative Arts & Music
- Physical Development & Outdoor Adventure
- Bible & Character Development

Learners aged 2-3 / 3-4 and 4- 5 years rotate classes. This rotation is between 3 classes. Math and Science class, Literacy and processing class and Art and Music and Physical class. Each of these classes are equipped with all resources and equipment needed to effectively and efficiently lead learners to explore and develop in each focus area. Rotating classes help keep our little ones interested and focused for longer due to the change of scenery and lesson objective.

Curriculum

English and Afrikaans are used as the primary languages of instruction. Mandarin is included as an enrichment subject. Learning is theme-based and supported through books, practical activities, music, movement and carefully selected educational media.

Included in School Fees

• Daily Bible lessons and Christian character education
• Hip Hop Dance
• Afrikaans
• Mandarin
• Nature & Science activities
• Gardening
• Music and Movement
• Outdoor learning experiences

Nature-Based Learning

Our beautiful farm environment serves as an extended classroom. Learners explore gardens, observe wildlife, plant vegetables, conduct simple science investigations and develop an appreciation for God's creation.

OUR 6 AREAS OF DEVELOPMENT

Practical Life: Practical life enhances the development of coordination, self-sufficiency and manipulative skills. They learn to take care of themselves, to take care of the environment, exercises of Grace and Courtesy and coordination of movement.

Sensorial: The Sensorial area allows children to order, classify and describe sensory impressions in relation to length, width, temperature, size, colour and more.

Language: The Language area includes development of speaking skills, writing, reading and grammar. We cover English, Afrikaans & Mandarin as an Extra subject.

Mathematics: The Mathematics area helps the children to recognise and internalise the concepts of numbers, symbols, sequencing and operations.

Gross Motor Development: The Gross Motor Development area assists children in developing crucial motor skills.

Cultural: In the Cultural area we cover the following subjects:
Geography, Botany, Zoology, Art, Music, Science and Technology.

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Gr R LEARNERS ARE INCLUDED IN THE PRIMARY AND DOES RECEIVE AN ALTERNATIVE INFORMATION BOOKLET

Our Gr R learners do Caps Rainbow Books as Gr 1 preparation.

Learning to read and write course places an emphasis on listening, speaking and reading. Students beginning their schooling journey will learn to blend sounds, decode unfamiliar words by breaking them down into sounds, and read a simple story.

SCHOOL FEES

School fees are paid in advance. It will be paid for 12 months of the year.
School fees must be paid before the Third of each month.

An amount of R 1000,00 is required for registration.
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The registration fee is payable regardless of whether the toddler attends the nursery school part-time or full-time.

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CHILD PER MONTH: SCHOOL FEES R 2480,00

TIMES: School opens at 6:30 am
School starts at 8 am
collection time 12:30 to 13:00 pm
Includes breakfast and lunch daily.
1 snack needs to be sent from home daily

CHILD PER MONTH: SCHOOL FEES INCLUDING AFTERCARE R2880,00

TIMES: 06:30am -17:30 pm
Includes: Breakfast and lunch daily snack during aftercare
1 snack for school time does need to be sent by parents.

Day rate (Full) (Breakfast and lunch included)
06:30-17:30 at R150-00

If your child is absent due to sickness or leave of absence from the parents, the parent is still responsible for the full payment of the school fees for that month.

If you leave Lofland Private Nature School, you must give a month's notice in advance in writing. December requires full payment as stated for National schooling processes. DO NOTE PARENT CANNOT GIVE NOTICE IN NOVEMBER TO AVOID DECEMBER FEES. AS FINAL YEAR REPORT IS SENT ON THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL IN DECEMBER.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

School uniforms are compulsory on Mondays and Thursdays. The rest of the week pupils are allowed to wear either their uniforms or comfortable clothing. Uniforms are available to purchase at the school.

MEDICATION

Remember that a toddler who is ill does not benefit at school and should stay home.All medication must be given to the teacher. A note will be made against the fridge when the toddler must take the medication. Please write your toddler's name on the medication. Important: Medication may not be left in the toddler's bag.

COMMUNICATION

Good communication between the home and the school is very important for a good relationships and peace of mind among toddlers, parents and teachers.
In the morning, the following communication opportunities can be used:
Accompany your toddler and hand him / her to the teacher. In this way you can discuss any problems with your toddler's teacher in the interests of your toddler (such as illness, a dad who is away due to working conditions, a bad night). This will enable the teacher to understand abnormal behavior and give extra attention.
Books: When you can't talk for themselves, please write a letter and ask your toddler to show it to the teacher.
Phone: The best time to call the school is between 08:00 and 08:45 and then again 12:15 and 13:30.

CONTACT NUMBERS

Centre Manager – 078 239 2997 / Or relevant class teacher

PROGRESS REPORTS

Evaluation of toddlers is done on a continuous basis. Every child 2 years older receives a progress report at the end of each term. Parents can see what aspects of the toddler's development still need attention.

NOTICE PERIOD

Notice period – if for any reason your child will need to leave Lofland Montessori a notice period of 30 days (one month) will be required. Notice cannot be given in November.

HOLIDAYS

Lofland Montessori Private Nature School will be open during the April, July and September holidays. During December holidays, Lofland Montessori Private Nature School will be closed. Lofland will close in December 2025/ 2026

We wish to welcome your little one to fun filled, learning days with us!!!!