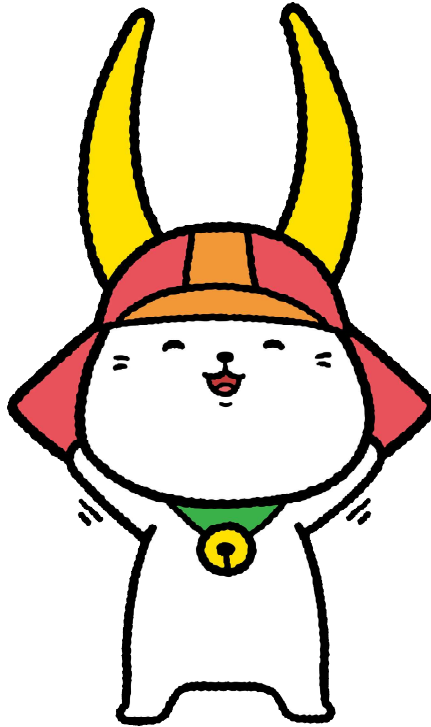


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Nursery School Information Guidebook



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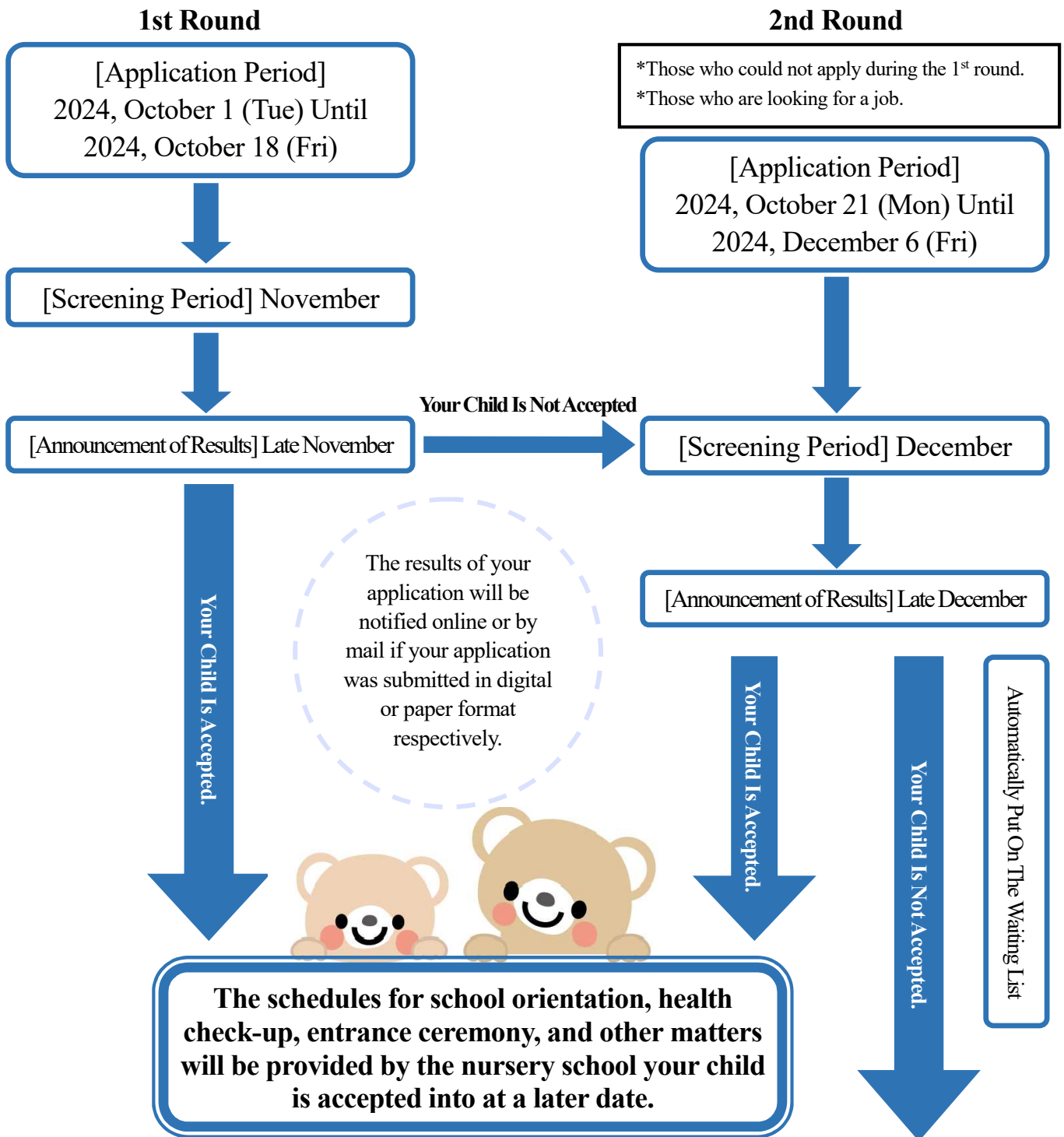
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Flowchart Outlining Steps From Application To Acceptance For Nursery School (2025, April)



[About Applying For Nursery School Mid-Year]

- The application deadline in this case is the last day of the month that is two months prior to your desired start month. (e.g.) If your desired start month is June, 2024, you need to apply by the end of April, 2024.
- In case of applying for nursery school mid-year, each applicant is allowed to choose only one desired nursery school.
*If your application was turned down during the 1st and 2nd round application periods, you will be put on waiting list.
- If your child is accepted into the desired nursery school, you will be notified as early as possible by phone. If not, the results of your application will be notified by post.
- Once your child is put on waiting list, you will receive a child care center waiting list notice. If necessary, you can request the Hikone Early Childhood Division to issue you with the same notice.

1. Types of Nursery Schools

Nursery schools are categorized into three types: regular nursery schools, Kodomo-en (which functions as both a kindergarten and a nursery school), and regional daycare centers (which are further divided into small-scale daycare, on-site daycare, and other categories).

As a general rule, all nursery school services are provided to parents or guardians who cannot care for their children at home due to work or other valid reasons.

Types	Key Features	Target Age Groups
Nursery School (<i>Hoikuen</i>)	A nursery school offers childcare to parents and guardians who cannot watch their young children due to work or other valid reasons.	0 to 5 years old
Certified Kodomo-en	A certified Kodomo-en school functions as both a kindergarten and a nursery school.	0 to 5 years old
Regional Daycare (Small-scale daycare, etc.)	A regional daycare is smaller than a regular nursery school, and its capacity to care for children is no more than 19 children. This regional daycare is designed to look after only very young children aged up to 2 years old.	0 to 2 years old
Kindergarten (<i>Youchien</i>)	A kindergarten is a school for children between 3 and 5 years old.	3 to 5 years old

*Hikone Infant Nursery School and Asahinomori Infant School are available for children aged from 0 to 3 only.

*ABC ENGLISH Preschool is available for children aged from 2 to 5 only.

2. Level of Childcare Needs

The level of childcare needs is categorized into three different levels. Please refer to the table below to determine which category you are most likely to fall into when applying for a nursery school.

Category	Target Age	Available Childcare Type			
		Kindergarten	Kodomo-en	Nursery School	Regional Daycare
Group 2	Over 3 years old		○	○	○ (*1)
Group 3	Under 3 years old		○	○	○
Group 1	Over 3 years old and request pre-school education	○	○		

*1: Regional daycare facilities can take care of children aged up to two years old.

Children who have just turned 3 years old will be categorized into Group 2.

Childcare fees are waived for children aged 3 years and older.

3. Eligibility Criteria

All applicants must be listed on Hikone City's basic resident registration as of April 1, 2025, in order to apply. This includes individuals who are certain to move to Hikone from another city by April 1, 2025

4. Childcare Age Structures

Age	Date of Birth
0 year old	Children born on April 2, 2024 and later
1 year old	Children born between April 2, 2023 and April 1, 2024
2 years old	Children born between April 2, 2022 and April 1, 2023
3 years old	Children born between April 2, 2021 and April 1, 2022
4 years old	Children born between April 2, 2020 and April 1, 2021
5 years old	Children born between April 2, 2019 and April 1, 2020

5. Childcare Services After Childcare Leave

If you wish to use childcare after your childcare leave ends, the city has implemented a system that allows you and others in the same situation to apply for a nursery school in advance. With this in mind, if your first choice of nursery school has no vacancies when your childcare leave ends, you will be notified and referred to other nursery schools based on your preferences. Please note that if no nursery school has a vacancy for your child when your childcare leave ends, your child will be placed on a waiting list.

Please contact the Hikone Early Childhood Division for more details.

- If your childcare leave ends between May and November, you are required to submit your application during the 1st round of the application period. In your application please do specify that you want to use childcare after your childcare leave ends.
- If your childcare leave ends in December and later, you are required to submit your application after the 1st round of the application period.

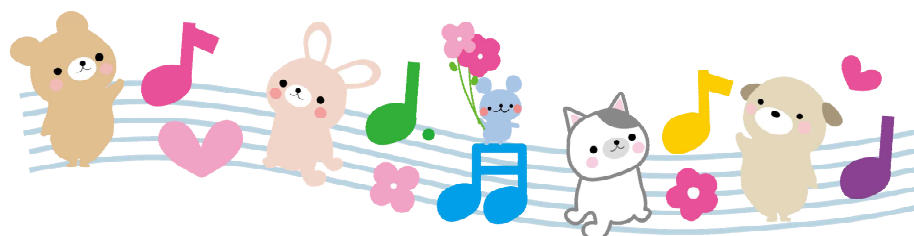


[Important Notes]

- Each nursery school has a trial period for both parents and children. Be sure to keep this in mind when applying for childcare services after your leave ends. For example, if your leave ends in September, you should aim to start the childcare in August to accommodate the trial period.
- If you miss the application period for the May-to-November admission, your child may be put on waiting list.
- This system is applicable to those who are on childcare leave and will return to work after the end of leave.
- Your application needs proof of employment including the date your childcare leave ends as well as the date you will return to work. Please do not forget to check the box “育児休業明けで保育所を新規利用する” upon applying online.

6. Fair Screening Process

To ensure that the application screening process is conducted fairly, the city of Hikone carefully reviews all information provided by each applicant. Please be aware that there is no guarantee that your child will be enrolled in your first-choice or even second-choice nursery school.



7. Application Forms and Requirements

The following table outlines the forms and requirements needed for your nursery school application based on your childcare needs. Be sure to prepare all required documents for both parents and any grandparents under 60 living in the same household.

Reason for Needing Childcare		Required Documents
Work	Neither Business Owner or Farmer	○Proof of Employment *A city-designated form is available.
	Individual Business Owner	○Proof of Employment *A city-designated form is available. ○Business Registration Certificate or Business License
	Farmer	○Proof of Employment *A city-designated form is available. ○Farming Certificated Certified by the Agricultural Committee
Pregnancy and Childbirth	Not On Childcare Leave	○A Photocopy of Boshi Techo *The cover and a page showing the due date.
	On Childcare Leave	○A Photocopy of Boshi Techo *The cover and a page showing the due date. ○Proof of Employment Certificate Showing When Childcare Leave Ends and The Scheduled Date of Returning To Work
Illness, Disability		○Doctor’s Note *A city-designated form is available, and include details of treatment. ○A Photocopy of a Physical Disability Certificate, Special Education Certificate or Self-Reliance Support Certificate
Caregiving		○Written Statement Form Regarding Caregiving *A city-designated form is available. ○A Photocopy of a Long-term Care Requirement Notice, Doctor’s Note Detailing Conditions Of a Person Who Needs Care or Disability Certificate.
Disaster Recovery		○A Disaster Victim Certificate
Job Hunting		○A Current Status of Job Hunting Report Form *A city-designated form is available. <u>*If you have additional evidence of your job search efforts, please submit it along with the report form.</u>
Education		○A Photocopy of Student ID, Certificate of School Enrollment ○A Class Schedule

[Cautions]

- If you want to apply to use a nursery school just for the reasons such as “Just to watch his/her younger sibling(s) at home”, “to have my child acquire social skills”, “to make my child more accustomed to a social life”, “to make friends”, “give my child a place to play”, and the like, your application will not be accepted or processed.
- If your application lacks required documents, your application will not be processed.
- If your application contains misleading and/or fraudulent information, your application will not be processed.

8. Amount of Childcare Services, Childcare Hours, etc.

The childcare services at a nursery school in Hikone are divided into two types: 11-hour full time childcare and 8-hour short time childcare. All applicants will be categorized into either full time childcare or short time childcare depending on the reason for the use of childcare.

Extended Childcare	Full Time (11 Hours)	Extended Childcare
Extended Childcare	Short Time (8 Hours)	Extended Childcare

If you wish to use the extended childcare service, be sure to speak with the nursery school where your child is enrolled. For detailed information on the nursery school's hours of operation and the cost of the extended childcare service, please refer to each school's information page.

*All children who are about to start attending a nursery school are required to go through a childcare trial period.

The length of this trial period can vary, depending on factors such as the child's age and whether this is their first time in nursery care. During the trial period, children will leave the nursery earlier than usual, and as a result, parents or guardians will need to pick them up before the school's regular closing time.

Reason for Needing Childcare	Amount of Childcare Services		Criteria
	Full Time	Short Time	
Employment	○ 120 hours or more monthly	○ 120 hours or less monthly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Applicants who chose employment as their reasons for needing childcare must work for more than 60 hours each month.</u> <p>*Please choose employment as your reason for needing childcare if your plan is to start using the childcare service after your childcare leave ends.</p>
Pregnancy and Childbirth	Two months before/after childbirth		<p>The childcare service can be provided up to six months after giving birth at the request of the applicant.</p> <p>*Those on childcare leave can extend the available period up to 12 months.</p>
	○	○	
	*Choose either full or short time.		
	Three months after childbirth		
Illness or Disability			The reason "Illness or Disability" can be selected only if parents are ill or have disabilities.
Caregiving	○	○	The reason "Caregiving" can be selected only if parents are continuously caring for a family member who is living with them or is hospitalized.
Disaster Recovery			The reason "Disaster Recovery" can be selected only if parents are a victim of a disaster and need to engage in disaster recovery efforts.
	*Choose either full or short time.		
Job Hunting		○	The childcare service can be provided up to three months.
Education	○ 120 hours or more monthly	○ 120 hours or less monthly	The reason "Education" can be selected only if parents are in education or training (school, vocational school, etc.)
Other Reasons	Depending on the reason.		Any other reason will be reviewed.

9. Application Periods and Methods

Application Periods		Eligibility
1 st Round	From 8:30 on October 1 (Tue) until 11:59 on October 18 (Fri)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicants whose reasons for needing the childcare service are other than “Job Hunting.” (*1)
2 nd Round	From 8:30 on October 21 (Mon) until 11:59 on December 6 (Fri)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicants who are unable to find vacancies at their preferred nursery schools. Applicants whose reason for needing the childcare service is “Job Hunting.” Applicants who missed the 1st around of the application period.

(*1) Applicants whose reason for needing the childcare service is “Job Hunting” can file their applications during the period of the 1st round. However, their applications can only be processed during the 2nd round.

- **Those who have withdrawn their child from childcare but wish to re-enroll them in a nursery school at any point during the fiscal year 2025 are required to submit their application during the first round of the application period.**
- Priority will be given to applicants who submit their applications during the specified application periods. Please keep in mind that submitting your application on time does not guarantee that your child will be enrolled in any of your desired nursery schools.
- **Filing applications for both a nursery school (Group 2 and 3) and kindergarten (Group 1) at the same time are prohibited, excluding Midori Kindergarten.**
- Information on applications for Midori Kindergarten and St. Joseph *Kodomoen* will be provided through the 2024 September issue of Hikone Community Newsletter, and information on applications for Kinjo *Kodomoen* will be provided through the 2024 October issue of Hikone Community Newsletter.
In terms of applications for public kindergartens, all the related information will be published through the 2024 November issue of Hikone Community Newsletter.

[How to Apply]

As a general rule, all childcare-related applications must be submitted online. For important information about the online application process, please refer to the online application platform. If you are planning to apply for the childcare service for more than one child (siblings) at the same time, make sure to submit one application per child.

1. Please scan the QR code or hit the link to visit the online application platform.
2. Next, select “彦根市電子申請サービス (Hikone Online Application Service).”
3. Select “令和 7 年度 (2025 度) 保育所等利用申込 [一斉申請] 2025 Application for Nursery Schools, etc.” and then, start filling out the online application form.



URL : https://s-kantan.jp/city-hikone-u/offer/offerList_initDisplay.action

If you do not have any internet access, or it is difficult for you to apply online due to the language barrier, you can submit your application in person at the Hikone Early Childhood Division (2F, Hikone Welfare Center). The said division is open from 9:00 AM to 4:45 PM on the weekday except holidays.

[What to Submit If in Person]

- Childcare Service Application Form (One form per child)
- Required Documents
- Identification

10. Important Points After Accepted

The following are the important points after your application for the childcare service is accepted.

Please notify the Hikone Early Childhood Division immediately if you wish to decline acceptance of the childcare service. Be careful that if you fail to notify the said division on time to decline acceptance of the childcare service you may have to bear the initial cost of the service.

1. If there are any changes to the information you provided when applying for childcare services, please notify either the childcare facility where your child has been accepted or the Hikone Early Childhood Division.
2. If the reason for needing childcare, the amount of childcare required, or the period of childcare has changed, please notify either the childcare facility where your child has been accepted or the Hikone Early Childhood Division immediately.
3. If you decide to remove your child from the childcare services, it is required to do paperwork in advance at either the childcare facility or Hikone Early Childhood Division.
4. If your child can be supervised at home, you are required to remove him/her from the childcare facility.
5. Be sure to consult with the childcare facility where your child has been accepted to if he or she has food allergies.

11. Childcare Costs, Payment Methods, etc.

- How Childcare Costs Are Determined And Information About A System of Free Childcare

0 – 2 yrs. old	Childcare costs are determined based on the total amount of resident tax that parents or guardians are liable for. For further details, please refer to page 13, “Table of Childcare Costs.” In general, families receiving Livelihood Protection Program benefits and those not subject to resident tax are eligible for free childcare services.	
	Costs from April to August	Costs from September to March
	Calculated Based On FY 2024 Resident Tax.	Calculated Based On FY 2025 Resident Tax.
3 – 5 yrs. old	Free Childcare *Costs of school meals, field trips, extended childcare services, etc. are excluded.	

- Payment Methods (Children aged from 0 to 2 years old)

	Childcare Facility Type		Collected By	Payment Method
In Hikone	Nursery School	Public	Hikone City	By Direct Debit or Bill
		Private		
	Certified Kodomo-en	Public	Hikone City	By Direct Debit or Bill
		Private	Each Facility	Please inquire the childcare facility.
	Small-Scale Nursery School	Private	Each Facility	Please inquire the childcare facility.
On-Site Childcare Center				
Outside Hikone	Nursery School	Public	Each Facility	Please inquire the childcare facility.
		Private	Hikone City	By Direct Debit or Bill
	Certified Kodomo-en	Public Private	Each Facility	Please inquire the childcare facility.
	Small-Scale Nursery School			
	On-Site Childcare Center			

*How much you will have to pay for the childcare costs will be calculated by the Hikone City.

• By Direct Debit

→ Childcare related payments are automatically deducted from your bank account on a scheduled date.

*If the scheduled payment date falls on a holiday, the payment will be deducted on the next business day.

• By Bill

→ A bill for your childcare costs will be mailed by the middle of each month, with the payment due by the end of that month.

*If the due date (the end of the month) falls on a holiday, the payment deadline will be extended to the end of the first week of the following month.

Please note that childcare costs will be charged at the beginning of each month for the entire period your child is enrolled in the facility. If you have outstanding bills for childcare services, your asset will be legally seized to satisfy the debt, your application will be placed at the bottom of the priority list.

• The Cost of Dishes Served with School Lunches

1. Parents/guardians of 3-year, 4-year and 5-year olds who are enrolled in a nursery school or Kodomo-en will be charged for dishes served with school lunches. Details of the cost of dishes vary from childcare facility to childcare facility.

2. Please refer to the details of each nursery school from page 16 to page 55.

3. The cost of dishes is not charged for families classified in income categories A to D1 or for a third or subsequent child from the same family.

[Direct Debit Request Form]

Parents or guardians of children aged 0 to 2 years old must submit a direct debit request form at a bank of their choosing after being accepted for childcare services by 2025 March 7 (Fri).

Form Name (in Japanese)	Financial Institution	What to Bring
Hikoneshi Shizei Tou Kouza Furikae Iraisho	○Bank ○Japan Post	○Bankbook ○Name seal registered with a bank or Japan Post

*The form named above is available at a bank office or Japan post office located in Hikone.

[Applicants Who Lived Outside Japan]

Parents, guardians, or others financially responsible for children are required to submit the following document if they have lived abroad prior to applying for the city's childcare services.

	Required Document (*Submit Either A or B)	Where to Submit
Those who lived abroad as of January 1, 2024.	A: A document showing your income from when you lived abroad. B: A city-designated form for income from fiscal year 2023	The childcare facility where your child got accepted to or Hikone Early Childhood Division
Those who lived abroad as of January 1, 2025.	A: A document showing your income from when you lived abroad. B: A city-designated form for income from fiscal year 2023	

*If those who lived abroad and applied for childcare services fail to submit required documents on time or fail to do their taxes properly, the maximum amount of childcare costs may be levied and no cost reduction system can be applied.

12. In Case of Emergency

Given the increasing frequency of disasters in recent years across Japan, it is essential for the city to establish an effective disaster prevention network to protect children during such events.

To this end, please be aware that all public daycares will be closed if an evacuation advisory level 3 or higher, a storm warning, or a special warning is issued in Hikone City, or if a seismic intensity level above 5 is recorded. For more details, please refer to the page “In Case of Severe Weather.”

*Additional measures to protect school children may vary from school to school.

13. Childcare Services Outside Hikone

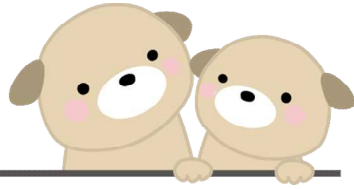
A nursery school outside the city of Hikone is accessible only to parents/guardians who have valid reasons for leaving their child in the care of a nursery school outside Hikone. To keep your child enrolled in a nursery school outside Hikone for more than one year, parents/guardians must complete the renewal process annually.

※Whether your child can be placed in a nursery school outside Hikone will be determined through discussions between Hikone and the city where the nursery school is located.

※Even if you complete the renewal process for a nursery school outside Hikone, there is no guarantee that your child will be permitted to continue attending the same nursery school.

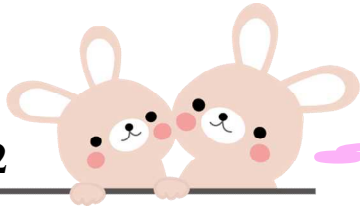


FAQ Part 1



Application-Related Questions

- Q. What documents are required to submit for my childcare service application if a grandfather and/or grandmother are living under the same household?
- A. Only if the grandfather and/or grandmother are under 60 years old, certain documents for them are required to submit. Be sure to check exactly what documents you need in this guidebook or contact the Hikone Early Childhood Division. If you fail to submit the required documents on time in this regard, two points will be deducted from your total score.
- Q. Do I need to prepare all the required documents for each of my children when applying for the city's childcare services?
- A. One copy of each required document is sufficient. However, please upload each required document with the online application for each of your children. For paper applications, ensure you provide a photocopy of each required document.
- Q. How can I make corrections to my online application?
- A. Log into the online application platform “彦根市電子申請サービス.”
Click on “申込内容照会” on the menu page.
Scroll down the next page to locate the application form you submitted.
Select the form and click the “修正する” button to make corrections.
- Q. Is it possible to enroll two or more of my children in the same nursery school?
- A. Yes. However, please keep in mind that if there are not enough vacancies at your first-choice nursery school to accommodate all your children, your second or even third-choice nursery schools will be your only options.
- Q. How soon will I be notified about the results of my application for childcare services if I apply in the middle of the current school year?
- A. When your application is accepted, you will be notified early in the month before your child starts attending the nursery school. If your application is not accepted, the city will mail you a notice indicating that your child has been placed on the waiting list, typically around the middle of the month in which you submitted your application.
Please be aware that the said notice is mailed only once. If you want to ask questions about your application process, please inquire of the Hikone Early Childhood Division.
- Q. Can I change the nursery school I applied for to another nursery school?
- A. Yes, but please notify the Hikone Early Childhood Division two months in advance.
- Q. Can I apply for the nursery school even if there are currently no vacancies?
- A. Yes, you can apply, but your child will be placed on a waiting list. Once a vacancy becomes available at the nursery school and your score is at the top of the list, you will be notified.
- Q. Is there a way to check the current vacancies at each nursery school?
- A. Please visit the Hikone City's official website or contact the Hikone Early Childhood Division in person or by phone.



FAQ Part 2

Q. Are single-parent households eligible for free access to childcare services?

A. Single-parent households subject to resident tax may bear the cost of childcares services.

[In case you live with a grandfather and/or grandmother]

- If a single mother or single father is already subject to resident tax, the resident tax amount for the grandparents will not be considered.
- If a single mother or single father is exempt from resident tax, but either a grandfather or grandmother is subject to resident tax, the amount of resident tax will be taken into consideration. Additionally, if recent pay slips or other forms of proof of income for grandparents are submitted, they will be used to determine whether childcare costs can be waived.

Q. My child has turned three years old during the current school year.

Am I eligible for the free childcare system?

A. No. Children who are two years old at the beginning of the current school year (April 1st) will remain as two-year-old children even if they turn three during the school year. Therefore, the free childcare system is not applicable.













Q. Where can I pay my bill for childcare?

A. You can pay your bill at any bank or JP Bank office across Hikone, as well as at the childcare facility where your child is enrolled. Additionally, payments can be made at the Hikone Early Childhood Division, Hikone City Hall, and its branch offices.

*We suggest that you should pay your childcare expenses via direct debit.

Q. How are the childcare costs calculated if there are siblings in elementary school?

A. Please refer to the table below. If your family is classified as A or B, the city's childcare services can be provided free of charge.

Category	1 st Child	2 nd Child	3 rd Child	4 th Child	
C1 to D1	 Elementary Schooler	 Half	 Free	 Free	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50% Reduction for the 2nd Child • Full Exemption for the 3rd, 4th Child and Subsequent Children
D1 to D3	 Elementary Schooler	 Full	 Free	 Free	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full Exemption for the 3rd and Subsequent Children
Category	Not Counted	1 st Child	2 nd Child	3 rd Child	
D4 and Above	 Elementary Schooler	 Full	 Half	 Free	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Your child in elementary school will not counted if your household is categorized as D4 or above. • 50% Reduction for the 2nd Child • Full Exemption for the 3rd Child

Score Table for Level of Day-Care Needs (FY 2025)

[Calculation Method] Scores for each applicant's level of day-care needs are calculated based on the table below.

㊤ Basic Points						
No.	Conditions (Either a Father's or Mother's)			Father	Mother	
1	Full-Time Employee (self-employed included)	Working more than 8 hours a day and more than 20 days per month.		10	10	
		Working more than 6 hours a day and more than 20 days per month.		9	9	
		Working more than 6 hours a day and more than 16 days per month.		8	8	
		Working more than 6 hours a day and more than 12 days per month.		7	7	
		Other working conditions and working more than 60 hours per month.		6	6	
	Part-Time Employee	Working more than 8 hours a day and more than 20 days per month.		8	8	
2	Pregnancy or After childbirth		Fall between 2 months before the due date and 6 months after child birth		/	8
3	Diseases Disabilities	Diseases	In-Patient	10	10	
			In-home Patient	Bed-ridden, having contracted infectious disease	10	10
				General convalescence (long term)	8	8
		Disabilities	Medical conditions other than the above		6	6
			Disability Grade 1 and 2, Special Education A1 and A2, Mental Disability Grade 1		10	10
4	Nursing	In Hospital	Caring for a family member who needs constant care and accompanying that person to hospital regularly.		10	10
			In-home Care	Disability Grade 1 and 2, Special Education A1 and A2, Long-Term Care Recognition 3 - 5		10
		Disability Grade 3, Special Education B1, Long-Term Care Recognition 1 - 2		8	8	
		Cases other than the above		6	6	
5	Disaster Recovery	Recovering from a fire (e.g. a home has been destroyed by fire), or having severely affected by other disasters.		10	10	
6	Job Seeker	Looking for a job (preparing for one's own business is included). Unemployed ※One additional point will be granted if you show an official document proving that you are looking for a job.		4	4	
7	In Education	Points are given to an applicant in the same way as the category No.1 above.		6 to 10	6 to 10	

㊥ Adjustment Points			
No.	Conditions		Points
1	Single Parent	Being a single father or single mother.	13
2	1st -Choice Facility	An extra point will be given to your most desired childcare facility. (See Note 3 below)	5
3	Graduate of Infant Daycare	Wishing to continue to use day-care services after the end of infant care.	4
4	Working as a Childcare Worker	Working as a childcare worker at a childcare facility certified by the City of Hikone, or working as a kindergarten teacher at one of the kindergartens within Hikone. (See Note 4 below)	3
5	Living on the Livelihood Protection Program or under the Poverty Line	Only those who are expected to increase their income and to get out of poverty.	3
6	Child with Disabilities	A child who requires special care due to disability.	2
7	Conditions of Grandparents	Having grandparents who are younger than 60 years and can take care of your child.	-2

Priorities	※If applicants who get the same points, a priority will be given by taking the following into consideration	
1	A first-choice daycare facility	
2	Higher adjustment points	
3	Longer working hours and days	
4	Having no one who can help watch a child/children.	

Notes

- 1: If you fail to submit your employment certificate by the deadline, you will be classified as a job seeker.
- 2: Women who are within 2 months before their due date or up to 6 months after childbirth can place their child (or children) in the care of a nursery school.
- 3: Depending on the number of children and the capacity of the daycare center, your application may be declined.
- 4: Certified childcare facilities include nursery schools, Kodomo-en, regional daycares, and kindergartens.
- 5: If you wish to continue your child's enrollment in a nursery school after childcare leave, this request will need to be reviewed.
- 6: If there are any special circumstances about your household that you want us to consider, please inform us when submitting your application.

(Reference) Table of Childcare Costs In Fiscal Year 2024

As of April 1 2024, Unit:JPY/Month

Classification	National Classification	Detail	Regular Time Childcare		Short-time Childcare	
			Under 3 Years Old	Over 3 Years Old	Under 3 Years Old	Over 3 Years Old
A	1	Households Living under the Livelihood Protection Law	0		0	
B	2	Households Exempt from Resident Tax	0		0	
C 1	3	Households Exempt from Resident Tax on Income Basis (In other words, households being taxed only on per-capita basis)	16,000		15,000	
C 2		Households with Resident Tax of under 48,600 JPY	16,000		15,000	
D 1	4	Households with Resident Tax of under 64,800 JPY	22,000		21,000	
D 2		Households with Resident Tax of under 80,900 JPY	27,000		26,000	
D 3		Households with Resident Tax of under 97,000 JPY	30,000		29,000	
D 4	5	Households with Resident Tax of under 169,000 JPY	40,000		39,000	
D 5	6	Households with Resident Tax of under 246,500 JPY	55,000		54,000	
D 6		Households with Resident Tax of under 301,000 JPY	61,000		59,000	
D 7	7	Households with Resident Tax of under 397,000 JPY	65,000		63,000	
D 8	8	Households with Resident Tax of over 397,000 JPY	76,000		74,000	

Remark 1 The cost of nursery school is based on the total amount of resident tax each household is subject to.

Remark 2 The cost varies between regular-time and short-time childcare services:

- Regular-time: You can leave your child at the day-care center for up to 11 hours a day.
- Short-time: You can leave your child at the day-care center for up to 8 hours a day (between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.).

Remark 3 Please indicate your child's age as of April 1st of the current year.

Remark 4 The cost of nursery school from April to August is based on fiscal year 2024 resident tax, and from September to March of the following year, it is also based on fiscal year 2025 resident tax.

Remark 5 There are no deductions available for resident tax.

Remark 6 The cost of nursery school may be reduced for single-parent households and households with children with disabilities, except for those categorized as D2 to D8.

Remark 7 If more than one child attends nursery school in Hikone during the same period, the cost for the second child will be half, and any additional children after the second child will attend for free. Note that some terms and conditions apply. For more information, please contact the Hikone Early Childhood Division.

Remark 8 Siblings in elementary school can be included when determining the costs for households classified as A to D3. However, for households classified as D4 to D8, siblings who are in elementary school or older will not be included.

In Case of Severe Weather

For Nursery Schools, Certified Kodomo-en, and Regional Daycare Centers

(Effective December 1, 2022)

Evacuation Warning: Alert Level 3 or Higher

Before arriving at or on the way to the school.	Please refrain from going to a daycare facility, and take shelter to ensure safety.
After arriving at the school.	As a general rule, all daycare services will be canceled. A daycare facility will contact and ask you to pick up your child.
If a warning is lifted by 7:00 a.m.	A daycare facility will be opened from 8:30 a.m. on the same day. (Lunch will be served as usual)
If a warning is lifted between 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.	A daycare facility will be opened from 1:00 p.m. on the same day. (No lunch)
If a warning is lifted after 11:00 a.m.	All daycare facilities will be closed.

※ Depending on the extent of damage, even after the level-3 alert or higher is lifted, the school may remain closed.

Storm Warning, Storm and Thunder Warning, Special Warning (Blizzard, Downpour, Heavy Snow)

Before arriving at or on the way to the school.	Please refrain from going to a daycare facility and take shelter to ensure safety.
After arriving at the school.	As a general rule, all daycare services will be canceled. A daycare facility will contact and ask you to pick up your child.
If a warning is lifted by 7:00 a.m.	A daycare facility will be opened from 8:30 a.m. on the same day. (Lunch will be served as usual)
If a warning is lifted between 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.	All daycare facilities will be opened from 1:00 p.m. on the same day. (No lunch)
If a warning is lifted after 11:00 a.m.	All daycare facilities will be closed.

※ When weather advisories, such as for torrential rain, flooding, heavy snow, etc., are issued, all childcare facilities will remain open as usual. However, depending on the extent of the damage or the anticipated risk, the daycare facility your child is enrolled in may be temporarily closed. In such cases, you will be notified via email or other contact methods.

※ When a blizzard warning is issued, it indicates that a winter storm of a once-in-50-years scale is expected and will last for more than a day.

If an Earthquake Greater than the Seismic Intensity Level 5 Hits Hikone

Before arriving at or on the way to the school.	All kindergartens will be closed.
After arriving at the school.	As a general rule, all daycare services will be canceled. The school will contact and ask you to pick up your child.

※ Whether the childcare facility your child attends will be open the day after an earthquake will be determined by assessing the extent of damage and the risk of further damage. If the facility decides to remain closed or implement other risk mitigation measures, you will be notified via email or other contact methods.

Daycare Services for Children with Health Conditions

■ What is “Daycare Services for Children with Health Conditions?”

When children are sick, in recovery, or in remission from an illness and cannot be cared for in a group setting, there is a specialized childcare facility designed to accommodate children with health conditions. This facility is organized and managed through cooperation between doctors and nurses to provide temporary care for sick children.

[Details of the Childcare Facility for Children with Health Conditions]

- Facility Name: Koala
- Address: Hikone Toga-cho 36-6 (Inside the Fujino Kodomo Clinic)
- Tel/Fax: 0749-47-5366 *Make an appointment first by phone.
- Capacity: Up To 6 Children Per Day



[Criteria]

Children under 10 years old who reside in Hikone City, Aisho Town, Toyosato Town, Kora Town and Taga Town who are in recover or remission from an illness and cannot be taken care of in a group setting, and parents cannot watch him/her at home for legitimate reasons. Please note that a doctor may determine that the facility is not adequately equipped to care for your child due to certain conditions, or you may be unable to place your child there due to a lack of vacancies.

[Opening Schedule]

Weekdays from 8:30 AM to 6:00 PM

*For further details, please contact the facility directly.



[Fees]

Hours	Fee Per Service
More than 4 hours	2,000 Yen
Less than 4 hours	1,000 Yen



*Households receiving benefits under the Livelihood Protection Law are fully exempt from the fees listed above.

*The fees will be halved for tax-exempt households.

*The fees are a fixed rate per child, regardless of the number of hours the service is used.

*You will be charged separately for diapers and other miscellaneous expenses incurred during the service hours.

*If your child shows any signs of changes in their medical condition, they may need to be examined by a doctor.

Guardians will be responsible for any medical expenses incurred in this situation.

[Meals and Snacks]

The facility does not have equipment to serve meals or prepare snacks. Therefore, please ensure you bring a meal and snacks for your child, tailored to their needs.

[What to Bring]

Name Seal, Health Insurance Card, Mather and Child Health Handbook (Boshi Techo), Prescription Handbook, Changes of Clothes, Towels, Diapers, and Other Necessary Items for Your Child.

*Please contact the facility in advance to ask exactly what you should bring in for your child.

[Important Notes]

As a general rule, make sure to call the facility at least one day before you want to leave your child in their care.

On the day you use the facility, your child will first be examined by a doctor. If the doctor approves, you will then be permitted to leave your child in their care.

*If you want to know more about this service, please inquire of the Hikone Early Childhood Division by phone or in person.

Tel: 0749-23-9597

Hikone City

Details of Each Nursery School

FY 2025 Ver.

**Please Contact Each Nursery School If You
Want To Have A Facility Tour.**



①Nishi Nursery School

◎ Admin: Hikone City

◎ Address: Hikone Sone-cho 8-21

◎ TEL: 0749-22-1194

◎ Capacity: 110

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
19	23	17	13	11	3	94

***The Diaper Subscription System Has Been Implemented!**

◎ Policy and Features

- ☆We commit ourselves to offering a welcoming and home-like atmosphere.
- ☆We recognize that a nursery school can be a second home for children.
- ☆For infants, we provide childcare in close cooperation with their parents. For pre-school aged children, we provide childcare that helps them boost their self-esteem and independence.
- ☆The school is located near Lake Biwa with rich nature, which enables children to experience seasonal changes.
- ☆The school has its own yard where children can have exposure to nature.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Summer Break (Obon Season), New Year Holiday (Dec / 29 to Jan / 3) School Clean-up, School Sanitization
Closing Days	Sundays, Holidays, Dec 29 to Jan 3 ※The school may be closed on some Saturdays due to some school events.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8: 30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m.
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	After 6: 30 p.m. 200 JPY per child each time
Parking Space	Approx. 15 cars
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	The diaper subscription system is in place. Used diapers are disposed of at the school.
Blankets	A blanket needs to be washed at least once a week or whenever it needs to be washed.
Features of Snacks	Homemade snacks: three times week. Organic snacks for infants.
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,500 JPY for side dishes and 1,000 JPY for main dishes /monthly (3 years old and older)
Necessary School Items	Color Cap (1,050 JPY)
Miscellaneous Expenses	New School Year Items, Graduation Album (5 years old) Bus Trip, Bus Field Trip, Parents/Guardians' Association Membership (350 JPY per month)

② Higashi Nursery School

◎ Admin: Hikone City

◎ Address: Hikone Yasukiyo-cho 8-4

◎ TEL: 0749-22-1394

◎ Capacity: 120

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
26	27	20	15	11	4	103

The Diaper Subscription System Has Been Implemented!

◎ Policy and Features

- ☆ The school is located in a quiet neighborhood, 15 minutes southwest from JR Hikone Station.
- ☆ Children from 0 to 5 years old spend their days at our nursery school, having fun and caring about each other regardless of age.
- ☆ For infants and toddlers, we appoint our childcare workers to take care of a certain group of infants or toddlers to ensure the maximum safety for them. We offer warm-hearted childcare to help children to grow to their full potentials.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturday, New Year Holiday, Summer Vacation Before and After the Obon Season, Around the End of Fiscal Year
Closing Days	Sunday • Holiday, Dec 29 to Jan 3 (Saturday Afternoon) School Clean-up • School Sanitization the 4 th , Day After Sports Day, Recital *Due to reasons other than the above, the school may be closed.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	Between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	200 JPY per child each time after 6:30 p.m. (collected at the end of each month)
Parking Space	Approx., 7 cars in front of the school Approx. 8 cars in the parking space 80 meters away from the school. *During peak times for dropping off and picking up children, the road in front of the school becomes one-way.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	Diapers provided under the Diaper Subscription System will be disposed of at the school after use. *The cost of the subscription system is collected separately.
Blankets	A blanket needs to be washed at least once a week or whenever it needs to be washed.
Features of Snacks	Homemade snacks (roughly 3 times a week) For infants, organic snacks.
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,500 JPY per month Plus 1,000 JPY for children aged 3 years and older
Necessary School Items *As of 2023	Color Cap (940 JPY)
Miscellaneous Expenses	Graduation Album (5-year olds only), Bus Trips, School Items for Each New School Year , Parents' Association Membership (4,000 yen annually for infants, 5,000 yen annually for 3 and 4 years old, 6,000 yen annually for 5 years old)

③ Futada Nursery School

⊙ Admin: Hikone City

⊙ Address: Hikone Kongoji-cho 101

⊙ TEL: 0749-28-2405

⊙ Capacity: 140

⊙ A Number of Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
30	27	24	18	15	4	118

*Our nursery school also cares for children who require special attention due to their health conditions.

*The diaper subscription system has been implemented!

⊙ Policy and Features

☆ Our nursery school is surrounded by beautiful natural scenery and rice paddy fields. We offer childcare that supports children's growth with the assistance of local residents. Additionally, since an adult daycare facility is located next to our school, our children have the opportunity to interact with its users, helping them develop social skills.

☆ Our school motto is: 'Listen to Others, Speak to Others, Focus, Understand and Follow Rules, Use the Five Senses, and Form Positive Relationships with Others.' We tailor our classroom and learning environments to each child's development, interests, and learning needs. Additionally, we assign dedicated childcare providers to care for specific groups of infants and toddlers with great affection.

⊙ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturday, Summer Vacation (around the Obon season), Dec 29 to Jan 3, End and Start of the New Fiscal Year
Closing Days	New Year Holidays Season (Dec 29 to Jan 3) *It is subject to change due to nursery school events.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	After 6:30 p.m. *200 JPY per child each time
Parking Space	Approx. 10 cars *In front of the nursery school.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	Preparation for a Sports Day, School Yard Maintenance (Once a year)
Diapers	Used diapers are disposed of at the school. Diapers are provided by the school under the diaper subscription system. *The additional cost will be charged accordingly.
Blankets	A blanket needs to be washed at least once a week or whenever it needs to be washed.
Features of Snacks	Homemade snacks (roughly 3 times a week), organic snacks for infants
The Cost of School Meals	4,500 JPY (side dishes) Per Month, 1,000 JPY (3 yrs. olds) Per Month
Necessary School Items	Color Cap: 850 Yen, Gym Clothes (Children aged 3 years and above): 4290 Yen
Miscellaneous Expenses	Text Books: 2,000 JPY (3 yrs. and older), 1,000 JPY (Under 3 yrs. olds)
Others	Parents' Association Membership (500 yen per month), New School Items, Bus Trips, Graduation Album (only for 5 years old)
Temporary Childcare	Available Time: 8:30 AM until 4:30 PM 1,500 JPY for 4 hours, 3,000 JPY for 8 hours

④Jonan Nursery School

⊙ Admin: Hikone Fukushi Kai

⊙ Address: Hikone Nishiima-cho 285-1

⊙ TEL: 0749-22-2582

⊙ Capacity: 170

⊙ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
30	45	27	22	21	4	149

⊙ Policy and Features

- ☆ Our school has a large number of children, providing ample opportunities for them to interact and develop their social skills.
- ☆ Surrounded by peers, children's compassion grows. We assign our childcare workers to specific groups of infants and young children to ensure personalized attention. Additionally, we are committed to creating a welcoming environment that feels like home through our childcare services.
- ☆ The school is dedicated to fostering a sense of responsibility, creativity, and vitality.
- ☆ To safeguard children from potential dangers, the school has established its own crime prevention network and measures in collaboration with the local community.
- ☆ The school's location is convenient, with easy access to JR Minami Hikone Station, an elementary school, a hospital, major stores, Hikone Athletic Park, and other government offices.
- ☆ The school is flexible in accommodating food allergies, dietary restrictions, and weaning needs. Our school meals consist of one soup and three dishes, and we provide homemade snacks daily.
- ☆ In the schoolyard, there are wooden playground structures and hills of various sizes, which the children enjoy playing on.

⊙ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, January 4, New Year Holiday (Core Time) *Please let the school know in advance if you want to use this service.
Closing Days	Sundays, Holidays, Dec 29 until Jan 3, Alert Level 3 and Higher * Due to some other activities or events, the school will be closed.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular-time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 mins (6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.) 500 JPY per 30 mins (After 7:00 p.m.) • Part-time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 mins
Parking Space	Available on the school premises • parking lot shared with the Jonan Kindergarten
Volunteer Activities by Parents	June • September • March
Diapers	Prepare diapers for your child.
Blankets	Washed at home at least once a week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade snacks everyday
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,800 JPY per month (3 yrs. and older)
Necessary School Items	6,000 JPY for a Smock, Gym Uniform (Top and Bottom) and Color Cap
Miscellaneous Expenses	Graduation Album (for 5-year olds only): 1,000 yen per month Parents' Association Membership Fee: 300 yen per month Main Dishes: 1,000 yen per month (3 yrs. old and above) Disaster Prevention Cushion, Name Seal, New School Items: Approx. 3,000 yen (3 yrs. and above) Approx. 2,000 yen (3 yrs. and younger)

⑤Hinatsu Nursery School

◎ Admin: Hikone Fukushi Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Hinatsu 2634-1

◎ TEL: 0749-28-0614

◎ Capacity: 80

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
15	18	13	11	9	2	68

◎ Policy and Features

- ☆ Our nursery school is dedicated to creating a homelike atmosphere and provides individual attention to each child, emphasizing the importance of human relationships and emotional development.
- ☆ The school organizes special activities to encourage interactions between our children and senior residents, as well as elementary and junior-high school students, fostering their compassion and kindness.
- ☆ To support parents and guardians, the school offers childrearing consultations and telephone support.
- ☆ For the safety of our children, CCTV cameras and security alarms have been installed to ensure maximum security.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, January 4, New Fiscal Year Period ※Please let the school know in advance if you want to use this service.
Closing Days	Sundays, Holidays, Dec 29 – Jan 3, Alert Level 3 and Higher ※ Due to some other activities or events, the school will be closed.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8: 30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	300 JPY per 30 mins (6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.) 500 JPY per 30 mins (After 7:00 p.m.)
Parking Space	Please use the Chomin Ground Parking Lot.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	School Clean-up (September and March)
Diapers	Prepare diapers for your child.
Blankets	Washed at home at least once a week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade snacks (everyday)
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,800 JPY (3 yrs. and older) Monthly
Necessary School Items	Smock, Color Cap, Gym Uniform (Top and Bottom) *Approx. 6,000 JPY (No restriction for a school bag)
Miscellaneous Expenses	Picture Book: 400 - 500 JPY/Monthly Album and Graduation Trip 2,000 JPY/Monthly (5 yrs. only) Main Dishes: 1,000 JPY/Monthly (3 yrs. and older) Parents' Association Membership 300 JPY/Monthly and Registration Fee 200 JPY

⑦Take Nursery School

◎ Admin: Hikone Fukushi Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Sugoshi-cho 1154-5

◎ TEL: 0749-28-0681

◎ Capacity: 60

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
12	13	10	10	7	3	55

◎ Policy and Features

- ☆ Our childcare provides flexible care tailored to each child's age and developmental stage within a home-like atmosphere.
- ☆ The school focuses on developing children's basic life skills, thinking abilities, creativity, and more.
- ☆ The expansive schoolyard and proximity to Lake Biwa allow our children to stay active and relaxed.
- ☆ We organize activities that enable children to interact with senior residents, elementary, and junior-high school students, fostering their compassion and kindness.
- ☆ To support parents and guardians, the school offers consultations on childrearing, both in-person and by phone.
- ☆ For the safety of the children, security cameras have been installed.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, January 4, New Year Holidays *Please let the school know in advance if you want to use the optional childcare service.
Closing Days	Sundays, Holidays, Dec 29 – Jan 3, Alert Level 3 and Higher *Due to some other activities or events, the school will be closed.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular-time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 mins (6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.) 500 JPY per 30 mins (After 7:00 p.m.) • Part-time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 mins
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activity by Parents	School Clean-up (June, September, March)
Diapers	Please prepare diapers for your child.
Blankets	Washed at home at least once a week or whenever it needs to be cleaned.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (Everyday)
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,800 JPY monthly (3 yrs. and older)
Necessary School Items	Color Cap, Smock, Gym Uniform (Top and Bottom) Approx. 7,200 JPY (3 yrs. olds) Color Cap 960 yen.
Miscellaneous Expenses	Picture Book Approx. 450 JPY/Monthly, Graduation Tip 1,000 JPY/Monthly (5 yrs. olds only), Parents/Guardians' Association Membership 500 JPY/Monthly *For any subsequent children (siblings), it is 250 yen. (Name Seal • Scissors • Crayon • Play Dough • Head Protection Cushion for a Disaster, etc.) 3 yrs. and older: approx. 2,800 JPY, 3 yrs. and younger: approx. 1,400 JPY The Cost of Main Dishes: 1,000 yen (3 yrs. and above)

⑧Asahinomori Nursery School

◎ Admin: Hikone Fukushi Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Higashinonami-cho 498-2

◎ TEL: 0749-22-2658

◎ Capacity: 150

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
38	45	32	17	12	3	147

◎ Policy and Features

- ☆ Taking advantage of the surrounding nature, the school provides a space where children can enjoy outdoor activities.
- ☆ The school emphasizes physical development through its physical education and health promotion programs.
- ☆ We offer childcare tailored to each child's age and developmental stage.
- ☆ We help children develop their thinking skills and creativity through their daily experiences at school.
- ☆ The school organizes activities that allow children to interact with senior residents, elementary, and junior-high school students, nurturing their compassion and kindness.
- ☆ The schoolyard will be open to all children eight times a year.
- ☆ For the safety of the children, security cameras have been installed.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, January 4, New Year Holidays *Please let the school know in advance if you want to use the optional childcare service.
Closing Days	Sundays, Holidays, Dec 29 – Jan 3, Alert Level 3 and Higher *Due to some other activities or events, the school will be closed.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular-time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 mins (6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.) 500 JPY per 30 mins (After 7:00 p.m.) • Part-time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 mins
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	School Clean-up (July, September, March)
Diapers	Please prepare diapers for your child. Paper diapers only are disposed of at the school
Blankets	Washed at home at least once a week or whenever it gets unclean.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (4 Times a Week)
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,800 JPY monthly (3 yrs. old and older)
Necessary School Items	Smock, Gym Uniform Top and Bottom, Color Cap, School Bag: Approx. 9,300 JPY (3 yrs. and older), Color Cap: 960 JPY (2 yrs. old and younger)
Miscellaneous Expenses	Picture Book 410 - 470 JPY/Monthly, Main Dishes 1,000 JPY/Monthly (3 yrs. and older), Parents/Guardians' Association Membership 300 JPY/Monthly Album • Graduation Trip Approx. 1,000 JPY/Monthly (5 yrs. olds) Scissors • Crayon • Play Dough • Head Protection Cushion for a Disaster, etc. (3 yrs. and older) : Approx. 3,300 JPY

⑨ Toriimoto Nursery School

◎ Admin: Hikone Fukushi Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Toriimoto-cho 1445

◎ TEL: 0749-23-6091

◎ Capacity: 50

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
15	12	10	6	3	3	49

◎ Policy and Features

☆ The school is surrounded by rice paddies and beautiful mountains, allowing our students to enjoy all four seasons. Toriimoto Nursery School maintains strong ties with our neighboring elementary school, junior high school, the school for special needs children (Sazanami Gakuen), and other organizations.

☆ We offer a variety of activities—including cooking, exchange events with children of different ages, soccer, gymnastics, and English classes—to nurture compassion and kindness while expanding students' horizons.

☆ The school provides extended childcare and infant care services.

☆ The schoolyard will be open to children five times a year.

☆ For the safety of our students, security cameras have been installed.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, January 4, New Year Holidays (Core Time) ※Please let the school know in advance if you want to use this service.
Closing Days	Sundays, Holidays, Dec 29 – Jan 3, Alert Level 3 and Higher ※Due to some other activities or events, the school will be closed.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular-time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 mins (6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.) 500 JPY per 30 mins (After 7:00 p.m.) Part-time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 mins (6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.)
Parking Space	Parking Space in Front of the School
Volunteer Activities by Parents	Clean-up (June, September, March)
Diapers	Please prepare diapers for your child.
Blankets	Washed at home at least once a week or every time a blanket got stained
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (Everyday)
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,800 JPY (for children older than three years olds)
Necessary School Items	Smock, Gym Uniform (Top and Bottom), Color Cap Approx. 7,000 JPY
Miscellaneous Expenses	Picture Book Approx. 400 - 470 JPY/Monthly, Parents' Association Membership 300 JPY/Monthly, Album and Graduation Trip 1,500 JPY/Monthly (5 yrs. olds) Main Dishes 1,000 JPY (3 yrs. and older) Name Seal, Scissors • Crayon • Play Dough • Head Protection Cushion for a Disaster, etc. (3 yrs. and older): 3 yrs. and older: Approx. 3,500 JPY, 2 yrs. and younger Approx. 2,100 JPY

⑩ Kameyama Nursery School

◎ Admin: Hikone Fukushi kai

◎ Address: Hikone Katayama-cho 272 - 2

◎ TEL: 0749-25-1209

◎ Capacity: 60

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
14	15	10	8	9	3	59

◎ Policy and Features

- ☆ Our school is surrounded by rice paddies and is close to Mt. Kojin, showcasing the beauty of seasonal changes. All children can enjoy each day in this relaxing atmosphere.
- ☆ We value every child and emphasize creating a homelike environment to help them thrive spontaneously.
- ☆ The school offers special activities that enable our children to interact with senior residents, as well as elementary and junior high school students, fostering their compassion and kindness.
- ☆ For the safety of our children, security cameras have been installed.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, January 4, New Year Holidays *Please let the school know in advance if you want to use the optional childcare service.
Closing Days	Sundays, Holidays, Dec 29 – Jan 3, Alert Level 3 and Higher *Due to some other activities or events, the school will be closed on a Saturday.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular-time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 mins (6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.) 500 JPY per 30 mins (After 7:00 p.m.) • Part-time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 mins (After 4:30 PM)
Parking Space	Please use the parking lot of the Kameyama branch office of Hikone City Hall.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	School Clean-up (June, September, March)
Diaper	Please prepare diapers for your child. Used diapers will be disposed at the school.
Blankets	Washed at home at least once a week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (four times a week)
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,800 JPY per month (3 yrs. and older)
Necessary School Items	Color Cap, Clothes for Playing, Gym Uniform (Top and Bottom) Approx. 7,000 JPY
Miscellaneous Expenses	Picture Book Approx. 450 JPY/Monthly, Main Dishes 800 JPY/Monthly (3 yrs. and older), Album • Graduation Trip 1,500 JPY/Monthly (5 yrs. olds), Parents/Guardians' Association Membership 300 JPY/Monthly Name Seal, Scissors, Crayon, Play Dough, Head Protection Cushion for a Disaster, etc. (3,400 JPY for 3 yrs. old and older, 2,100 JPY for 2,100 JPY) The Cost of Main Dishes: 1,000 yen per month (for 3-year olds and older)
Other Notes	About the Cost of a Temporary Childcare Service 【3 yrs. and older】 1,500 JPY for a 4-hour service, 3,000 JPY for an 8-hour service 【2 yrs. and younger】 2,000 JPY for a 4-hour service, 4,000 JPY for an 8-hour service Extra Time Cost: 500 JPY per 30 minutes *The additional cost for school meals will be charged.

⑪Shiawase Nursery School

◎ Admin: Zenkou Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Minami Kawase-cho 1195-1

◎ TEL: 0749-28-0581

◎ Capacity: 90

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
24	23	18	18	12	6	101

◎ Policy and Features

☆ Makotono Hoiku

Makotono Hoiku aims to help children become resilient and diligent.

☆ The school features a playroom designed with children's health in mind.

☆ There is a spacious lunch area for the children.

☆ The school values and closely monitors every single child in a nurturing, at-home atmosphere.

☆ Various classes, including gymnastics, soccer, music, and painting, are organized for the children.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, New Year Holidays (April / 1 - 4) • End of Fiscal Year (March / 26 - 31) *Please let the school know in advance if you want to use the optional childcare service.
Closing Days	Sundays, Holidays, Obon Season, New Year Holidays ※Due to some other activities or events, the school will be closed.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	500 JPY per 30 minutes (7:00 - 7:30, 18:30 - 19:00)
Parking Space	The school has its own parking lot for 23 cars.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	Please prepare diapers for your child.
Blankets	Washed at home at least once a week *Additional two blankets during a summer (3 yrs. and older)
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (Twice a Week), Kami Day (Once a Week)
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,500 JPY (3 yrs. olds and older)
Necessary School Items	School Uniform, Gym Uniform, Crayon, Scissors *Only 3 yrs. olds and older
Miscellaneous Expenses	Picture Book (by age) 480 JPY/Monthly, Parents' Association Membership 300 JPY/Monthly, New School Year Items (April only), Main Dishes 1,000 JPY/Monthly, Activity Class Fee 100 JPYper Lesson. Graduation Album (5 yrs. olds) 1,000 JPY/Monthly
If a Child Develops a Fever or Becomes Unwell	If your child develops a fever higher than 37.5 °C (99.5 °F), severe vomiting, or severe diarrhea, we will contact his/her parent.
Open House	Hana Matsuri → 4 th Saturday of April, Sports Day → 1 st Saturday of October Recital → 1 st Friday of December, Parent Meeting → 4 th Friday of February
Other Notes	The school's e-mail address is "info@shiwase-ns.com"

⑫ Inae Futaba Nursery School

◎ Admin: Futaba Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Hon-machi 2647

◎ TEL: 0749-43-2053

◎ Capacity: 80

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
22	12	16	13	10	2	75

◎ Policy and Features

☆ The school helps children become:

- Physically Healthy
- Resilient
- Considerate

☆ The school is surrounded by nature, allowing our children to enjoy playing in the spacious schoolyard.

☆ The school is equipped with a heating and cooling system.

☆ The school offers special activities that enable our children to interact with senior residents, as well as elementary and junior-high school students, to nurture their compassion and kindness.

◎ School Information

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, New Year Holidays, New Fiscal Year Period ※Please let the school know in advance if you want to use this service.
Closing Days	Sundays, Holidays, New Year Holiday Season ※Due to some other activities or events, the school will be closed on a Saturday.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	300 JPY per 30 mins. (16:30 • 18:30 – 19:00) 500 JPY per 30 mins. (19:00)
Parking Space	The school has its own parking lot.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	School Clean-up (June, August, March)
Diapers	Any diapers are accepted. (Used diapers are disposed of at the school.)
Blankets	Washed at home at least once a week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (2 – 3 times a week)
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,500 JPY/Monthly (3-year olds and older) Main Dishes: 1,000 JPY Monthly (3-year olds and older)
Necessary School Items	3 years and older: Smock, Trousers, School Bag, Color Cap, Glue, Paint Book, Crayon, Sciroccos, Name Seal, Message Notebook, Attendance Stickers, Attendance Card 0, 1, 2, years olds : Color Cap and Otsukai Bag, Message Notebook, Attendance Sticker, Attendance Card, Name Seal
Miscellaneous Expenses	Parents' Association Membership 2,600 JPY/Yearly *For any additional subsequent children, 1,300 JPY yearly.
Other Notes	4 yrs. and 5 yrs. olds. : ECC English Class, Soccer Class, Tea Ceremony, Farming Experience

⑬ Kotobuki Nursey School

◎ Admin: Kotobuki Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Kamiokabe-cho 503

◎ TEL: 0749-43-2057

◎ Capacity: 50

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
14	11	5	7	12	2	51

◎ Policy and Features

- ☆ The school is located in the middle of agricultural lands, surrounded by nature. We also provide opportunities for all children to interact with one another, regardless of their age differences.
- ☆ The school offers activities that enable our children to interact with senior residents, as well as elementary and junior-high school students.
- ☆ Our school policy aims to help our children develop their own personalities by cherishing and respecting their individuality.
- ☆ We strive to make the school safe and welcoming for every child.
- ☆ We emphasize the importance of dietary education by organizing cooking classes and planting and harvesting vegetables in our school garden.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, New Fiscal Year Season ※Please let the school know in advance if you want to use this service.
Closing Days	Sundays, Holidays, New Year Holidays ※Due to some other activities or events, the school will be closed on a Saturday.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	300 JPY per 30 mins. (18:30 –19:00) 500 JPY per 30 mins. (19:00)
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	School Clean-up (September, March)
Diapers	Any diapers are accepted. *Used diapers are disposed of by the school.
Blankets	Washed at home at least once a week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (twice a week)
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,500 JPY/Monthly (3 yrs. and older)
Necessary School Items	School Uniform, Short Pants, Color Cap, etc. Approx. 7,000 JPY Bag Pack (no restrictions for colors)
Miscellaneous Expenses	Picture Book 400 JPY/Monthly, Parents and Children Bus Trip Parents/Guardians' Association Membership 3,000 JPY/Yearly
Other Notes	Flour Arrangement (4 Times a Year), ECC English Class (Twice a Month), Soccer Class (3 Times a Year), Sports Activities (4 Times a Year)

⑭ Mizuho Nursery School

◎ Admin: Mizuho Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Inabe-cho 400-1

◎ TEL: 0749-43-4394

◎ Capacity: 110

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
27	21	15	17	11	3	94

◎ Policy and Features

- ☆ The school is located close to JR Inae Station, and there are an elementary school and kindergarten nearby. We also have many opportunities for exchange activities, as we value a healthy relationship with local residents.
- ☆ The school organizes soccer classes, flower arrangement classes, tea ceremony classes, and more to expose children to Japanese culture.
- ☆ With the school policy “Be Friendly, Be Considerate, Be Creative,” we strive to support each child’s healthy growth.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, January 4, New Fiscal Year Season *Please let the school know in advance if you want to use the optional childcare service.
Closing Days	Sundays, Holidays, New Year Holiday Season ※Due to some other activities or events, the school will be closed on a Saturday.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	300 JPY per 30 mins (18:30 – 19:00) 500 JPY per 30 mins (19: 00)
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	School Clean-up (Twice a year)
Diapers	No restrictions *Please prepare diapers for your child. Used diapers are disposed of at the school.
Blankets	Washed at home at least at the end of each week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (two – three times a week)
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,500 JPY/Monthly (3 yrs. and older)
Necessary School Items	School Uniform 4,300 JPY • Gym Uniform Top and Bottom 5,850 JPY (3 yrs. and older), Apron 2,600 JPY, 1,200 JPY (2 yrs. and older), Color Cap 960 JPY (1 yr. and older)
Miscellaneous Expenses	Picture Book 450 JPY/Monthly, New School Year Items 900 – 5,200 JPY Parents and Children Bus Trip (Senior Children), Parents/Guardians’ Association Membership 200 JPY/Monthly
Other Notes	Gymnastics Class (All Children), Soccer Classes (4, 5 yrs. old), Flower Arrangement (4, 5 yrs. olds), Tea Ceremony (5 yrs. olds), Arukou Kai (All Children), Oyakode Asobou (0,1,2 yrs. olds)

15 **Nozomi Nursery School**

◎ Admin: Nozomi Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Honmachi Ichome 8-20

◎ TEL: 0749-22-6011

◎ Capacity: 90

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
25	25	15	13	4	2	84

◎ Policy and Features

- ☆ Our nursery school was opened in 1946 and is located in the Yonban-cho Square area. Because the school is close to Hikone Castle, our children regularly walk to the castle and stroll around it. In the summertime, the school children play in the rooftop swimming pool. The church on the premises of our school also organizes annual main events.
- ☆ Our school policy values and respects every child and aims to enrich their feelings.
- ☆ Our school goals are to help children embrace God's love, value friendship, be thoughtful, be expressive, and be responsible.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, New Fiscal Year Season *Please let the school know in advance if you want to use the optional childcare service.
Closing Days	Sundays, National Holidays, New Year Holiday Season
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	18:30 – 19:00 200 JPY per service. After 19:00 400 JPY per service
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space (up to 7 cars)
Volunteer Activities by Parents	School Clean-up (Once a Year), Sports Day, Oyako Festival
Diapers	No Restrictions
Blankets	Washed at Least Once a Week
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (Twice a Week)
The Cost of Side Dishes	Main Meals 1,000 JPY/Monthly, Side Dishes 4,500 JPY/Monthly (3 – 5 years olds)
Necessary School Items	【3 years and Older】 Akashiro Cap, Name Tag, Tool Box, Scissors, Crayon, Pen, Glue, Message Notebook 【2 Years and Younger】 Akashiro Cap, Name Tag, Message Notebook
Miscellaneous Expenses	Picture Book 440 JPY/Monthly (4 – 5 years olds) *You will be charged accordingly for spring and autumn field trips. Graduation Album (for 5-year olds only): 5,500 JPY
Other Notes	Parents' Association Membership 500 JPY/Monthly

⑩Megumi Nursery School

◎ Admin: Jisui Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Takamiya-cho 1755

◎ TEL: 0749-26-5791

◎ Capacity: 90

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
19	18	20	17	13	5	92

◎ Policy & Features

- ☆ The school is committed to nurturing children's sense of gratitude based on "Makotono Hoiku."
- ☆ The school ensures that all children respect all forms of life and can show appreciation for the food we eat by saying "Itadakimasu" and "Gochisousama."
- ☆ We are dedicated to building a close relationship with all school children so that they feel safe and comfortable, just like they are at home with their families. We also actively communicate with parents by providing necessary help and advice.
- ☆ Soccer classes and eurhythmics are offered.
- ☆ The school issues a monthly child-rearing newsletter called "Inai Inai Ba."
- ☆ The school offers temporary childcare services.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, New Year Holiday Season, New FY Season, Obon Season *Please let the school know in advance if you want to use the optional childcare service.
Closing Days	Sundays, National Holidays, New Year Holiday Season *The school may be closed due to other events or severe weather. In this case, you will be notified in advance.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:00 – 16:00
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	300 JPY per 30 minutes Before 7:30 a.m. and after 6:30 p.m.
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	School Clean-up (March)
Diapers	Paper Diapers *Prepare diapers for your child.
Blankets	Washed at home at least once a week
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (1 - 2 times a week *no additives)
The Cost of Side Dishes	3 yrs. olds – 5 yrs. olds 4,500/Monthly
Necessary School Items	School Uniform (Summer • Winter), School Cap (Summer • Winter), School Bag (2 years and older), Indoor Shoes Gym Uniform (Two years and older), Smock All Total: Approx. 23,000 JPY
Miscellaneous Expenses	• Main Meals: 1,000 JPY/Monthly • Picture book: 450 JPY/ Monthly • New School Year Items: 600 JPY – 7,000 JPY • Parents/Guardians' Association Membership 500 JPY/Monthly • "Tanoshii Yube": 3,000 JPY • Office Administration Fee: 100 JPY/Monthly • Graduation Trip: 10,000 JPY
Other Notes	• Guardians will be invited for a monthly birthday party. • The school will be closed at 5:30 p.m. on the day of a monthly staff meeting.

⑰ Runbini Nursery School

◎ Admin: Aïku Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Kawara-cho Ichome 1-4

◎ TEL: 0749-26-1230

◎ Capacity: 90

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
23	23	16	12	14	3	91

◎ Policy & Features

- ☆ Our school principles are based on the teachings of Buddhism to shape amicable personalities.
- ☆ Our school goals are to be resilient, pure, and thankful.
- ☆ Aikido and Zazen classes are held once a week.
- ☆ An English class is offered for children aged three and older to provide casual exposure to the language.
- ☆ With children's safety and health in mind, air conditioning, accessible washrooms, and ramps are installed to make the school friendly for everyone.
- ☆ The schoolyard is open to the public on a regular basis.
- ☆ For children's health, the school provides homemade snacks and meals that can be adjusted for food allergies and other dietary needs.
- ☆ Security cameras have been installed to enhance school security.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, January 4, New Fiscal Year Period ※Please let the school know if you want to use this optional childcare service.
Closing Days	Sundays • National Holidays • New Year Holiday Season (Dec 29 – Jan 3) ※The school may be closed on a Saturday due to some reasons.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	N/A
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	No Restrictions
Blankets	Washed at home at the end of every week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (twice a week)
The Cost of Side Dishes	4500 JPY/Monthly (3 years and older)
Necessary School Items	School Uniform (Summer 4,000 JPY, Winter 5,900 JPY) • Play Clothes 2,400 JPY School Cap (Summer 2,800 JPY • Winter 3,500 JPY), Gym Uniform 4,500 JPY, School Bag 5,000 JPY • Cushion for Disasters 2,300 JPY • Indoor Shoes 2,050 JPY
Miscellaneous Expenses	Picture Book 400 JPY/Monthly • Main Dishes (3 years and older) 1,000 JPY/Monthly, Parents/Guardians' Association Membership 200 JPY/Monthly
Main Events	Entrance Ceremony, Observation Day (Twice a year), Buddhism Events, Sports Day, Recital, Graduation Ceremony
Temporary Childcare Services	8:30 AM – 4:30 PM, 300 JPY for a Meal 4 hours at a time: 1,500 JPY 8 hours at a time: 3,000 JPY
Other	School Website: http://www.runbinihoikuen.jp

⑱ Hikone Infant Nursery School

◎ Admin: Hakuro Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Nakayabu Ni-Chome 2-6

◎ TEL: 0749-22-5768

◎ Capacity: 70

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
—	—	18	21	13	5	57

◎ Policy and Features

☆ Under our school policy “Cherish Every Child Just Like Your Own,” we care for children from 8 weeks old to 3 years old.

The school has a relaxing atmosphere to ensure that all infants and young children can spend their time smiling.

☆ The school is built of wood, and a variety of seasonal flowers bloom in its garden. There are many toys made from a wide range of materials, including fabrics and wood. Each toy is designed for children in different age groups and at various developmental stages.

• **Kosodate Soudan (Childrearing Consultation):** Monday – Friday, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

• **School Yard Opening:** Saturdays, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM (Monday – Friday)

*Please let the school know in advance if you are interested.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	1 st Saturday Afternoon, Obon Season ※A whole Saturday may become an optional childcare service due to some school events or other reasons. ※Please let the school know in advance if you want to use this service.
Closing Day	Sundays, National Holidays, New Year Holiday Season ※※The school may be closed due to some events or emergencies on a Saturday.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	N/A
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
If a Child Develops a Fever or Becomes Unwell	The school will contact his/her guardian according to a symptom.
Diapers	No Restrictions
Blankets/Sheets	Sheets are washed at the school regularly. Blankets are washed at home at the end of each week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks
The Cost of Side Dishes	Side Dishes 4,500 JPY/Monthly, Main Dishes 1,000 JPY/Monthly (3 yrs. olds and older)
Necessary School Items	Color Cap
Miscellaneous Expenses	Parents/Guardians' Association Membership 500 JPY/Monthly Dougubako Set 2,000 JPY (3 yrs. olds only)
Other Notes	Frozen breast milk is accepted. What kind of baby food to feed your infant can be arranged? As for food allergies, please submit a doctor's note to the school.

①9 Donguri Nursery School

◎ Admin: Donguri Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Kawasebaba-Cho 1149-1

◎ TEL: 0749-25-5110

◎ Capacity: 90

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
15	17	17	14	12	4	79

◎ Policy and Features

"Our school emphasizes the importance of providing a reassuring and heartwarming environment for all children, especially those who may feel anxious about spending time away from their parents. Additionally, to ensure that every enrolled child grows in a healthy way, we appoint a specific number of childcare providers to care for infants. Preschool-aged children of different ages are given opportunities to play together, fostering social skills and cooperation. Our primary childcare goal is to help all enrolled children develop the skills they need to actively engage in activities."

Play: The school features well-regarded picture books and toys from Europe to help children develop their concentration and imagination. We also value Japanese culture and tradition, which is why we incorporate traditional Japanese songs, dances, and drums into our programs. Additionally, we host various outdoor physical activities surrounded by nature, ensuring that all enrolled children can be physically fit and creative.

Meal: Our school meals primarily consist of lightly flavored Japanese dishes. We use seasonal ingredients, and all snacks are handmade. We can accommodate baby solids, and we take food allergies very seriously, adjusting meals whenever possible to ensure the safety and well-being of all children.

Birthday Party: We celebrate each child's birthday, recognizing that it is a very special day.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, New Year Holidays, New Fiscal Year Period ※Please let the school know in advance if you want to use this service.
Closing Day	Sundays, National Holidays, New Year Holiday
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	500 JPY per service
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	Annual School Clean-up (Saturday • Sunday)
Diapers	Cloth Diapers
Blankets	Washed at home at the end of each week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,500 JPY Monthly (3 years and older)
Necessary School Items	Graduation Album: 2893 JPY, Summer Cot Sheet: 2,900 JPY, Winter Cot Sheet: 3,100 JPY, Color Cap: 1,330 JPY, Apron (Infants only): 2,000 JPY, Message Notebook: 120 JPY for Preschool-aged Children, 385 JPY for Infants, Reusable Eco-Bag: 293 JPY
Miscellaneous Expenses	Preschool-Aged Children - Main Dishes: 1,000 JPY Monthly, Pictures: 200 JPY Monthly, Educational Materials: 200 JPY Monthly, Picture book as a Birthday Present: 420 JPY per Year, Paint Tubes: 968 JPY, Infants - Diapers/Covers: 1,650 JPY up to 3,300 JPY Monthly, Pictures: 200 JPY Monthly
Other Notes	Parents' Association Membership 800 JPY/Monthly, Insurance Fees 210 JPY/Yearly Bus Trip: 500 JPY

20 Morinoko Nursery School

◎ Admin: Morinoko Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Nose-cho 106

◎ TEL: 0749-23-4918

◎ Capacity: 110

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
19	24	25	24	22	7	121

◎ Policy and Features

☆ Our school bases its policy on “Respect Every Life and Live Strong.”

☆ We foster kindness by forming close relationships with each child.

☆ Various vegetables are harvested from our school garden and incorporated into our meals.

☆ The school features a library and organizes classes in soccer, English, ballet, and more.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	New Year Holiday Season, Obon Season, New Fiscal Year Season, the Day after an Event on Saturday or Sunday (Irregular)
Closing Day	Sundays, National Holidays, New Year Holidays
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:00 – 16:00
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	N/A
Parking Space	There are three parking lots available. (Approx. 30 cars)
Volunteer Activities by Parents	Annual Clean-up, Morning Greeting Campaign
Diapers	Please prepare diapers for your child. Used diapers are disposed of at the school.
Blankets	Washed at home regularly
Features of Snacks	Everyday *Homemade snacks 4 days a week
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,800 JPY/Monthly (3, 4, and 5 years olds)
Necessary School Items	Clothes for Playing, Color Cap, New School Year Items
Miscellaneous Expenses	Picture Book 400 JPY, Parents/Guardians' Association Membership 500 JPY
Other Notes	Email address: info@morinoko.jp

21Asahinomori Infant Nursery School

◎ Admin: Taiju Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Nodayama-cho 1099-1

◎ TEL: 0749-30-9321

◎ Capacity: 45

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yrs.	0 yr.	Total
—	—	7	13	14	7	41

◎ Policy and Features

- ☆ The school aims to help children adopt a healthy lifestyle and develop social skills.
- ☆ We cherish local culture and nature, incorporating them into our childcare program.
- ☆ The school is dedicated to creating a relaxing and reassuring environment for children.
- ☆ We care for children aged 4 months to 3 years.
- ☆ The school features an accessible terrace and lawn, surrounded by nature.
- ☆ We organize exchange activities for children to interact with adult daycare users.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Obon Season (14, 15, 16), New Year Holiday Seasons, New FY Season
Closing Day	May 5 (Children's Day)
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	300 JPY per service (after 6:30 PM)
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	Twice a year (October and March)
Diapers	Any Types of Diapers Are Accepted
Blankets	Washed at home at the end of the week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (Twice a week) Organic snacks, etc.
The Cost of Side Dishes	Main Dishes 500 JPY/Monthly, Side Dishes 4,500JPY/Monthly (3 years olds only) Charged By Direct Debit (the 27 th of Each Month)
Necessary School Items	Name Seal, Color Cap, Picture Book, etc.
Miscellaneous Expenses	Parents/Guardians' Association Membership 2,000 JPY/Annually, Bus Trip Fee (2 years olds)

22 Raymond Oyabu Nursery School

◎ Admin: Remon Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Ohyabu-cho 2655

◎ TEL: 0749-47-5945

◎ Capacity: 90

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.,	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
18	17	17	16	14	8	90

***The Diaper Subscription System Has Been Implemented!**

◎ Policy and Features

Through our childcare, we help children to:

Love Others Coexist with Nature Be Creative

- ☆ We cherish and respect every single child.
- ☆ We nurture children's' emotional wealth through a variety of experiences.
- ☆ We believe in the importance of human connection and social connection.
- ◆ The school hosts gymnastics classes, tea ceremonies (for 4- and 5-year-olds), English classes, etc.
- ◆ Security cameras are installed to enhance the safety for our school children.
- ☞ All school staff work together to ensure that every single child can have fun and feel loved at school.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services,etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturday • Obon Season • New Year Holiday Season *Please let us know in advance if you are interested to use the optional childcare service.
Closing Day	Sundays, National Holidays, new Year Holiday Season *The school may be closed on a Saturday due to some school events or emergencies.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	• Part-time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 minutes (7:30 – 8:30, 16:30 – 19:00) • Regular-time Childcare 300 JPY (18:30 – 19:00) 500 JPY per 30 minutes (After 19:00)
Parking Space	The school has its parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	School Clean-up (twice a year)
Diapers	For children aged 3 and above, the school requires their parents to prepare diapers for them. *No diapers need to be prepared by parents if their children are 0, 1, or 2 years old.
Blankets	Washed at home at the end of the week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade snacks
The Cost of Side Dishes	Side Dishes 4,500 – 4,700 JPY/Monthly (3 years old and older)
Necessary School Items	Young Children: School T-Shirts (Green • White), School Bag Glue, Scissors, Pens, Crayon, etc. All Children: Color Cap, Letter File, Name Seal
Miscellaneous Expenses	Graduation Album (5 yrs. olds), Japan Sport Council Membership (0 – 5 yrs. olds) Main Dishes / Monthly 1500 JPY (3 yrs. and older)
Other Notes	The School's Facebook Page And Instagram Page Are Available

23 Momonoie Daichi

◎ Admin: Aiyu Momono Kia

◎ Address: Hikone Koizumi-cho 395-7

◎ TEL: 0749-47-5500

◎ Capacity: 85

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
19	22	13	17	14	3	88

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◎ Policy and Features

~ Love • Will • Nature • Art ~

☆ **Steiner Education:** Based on an understanding of the relevance of the different phases of child development.

☆ **Pyramid Education:** Based on two types of learning elements: structural and instructional.

☆ **Dietary Education:** Additive-free, seasonal, and fresh ingredients are used in our school meals. We also incorporate a variety of grains to create a rich staple diet that supports children's health.

☆ **Art & Music Activities:** We introduce a wide range of activities related to art and music to enrich children's creativity.

♡ The school looks after children in a small-group and age-mixed setting. ♡

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Obon Season, New Year Holiday Season (Dec/29 - Jan/3), New Fiscal Year Season, Certain Saturdays for Staff Seminars (about four times a year)
Closing Day	Sundays, Holidays, New Year Holiday Season (Dec/29 - Jan/3)
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	Short-Time: 7:15 - 8:30, 16:30 - 18:15, 18:15 - 19:15 100 JPY per service Regular-Time: 18:15 - 19:15 100 JPY per service ※Until 18:15 on Saturdays
Parking Space	In front of the facility (around 9 cars)
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	For 0 and 1 year olds, the school provides diapers for a monthly fee of 3,278 JPY. For 2 year olds and above, parents can choose if they want to prepare diapers for their children. Any types of diapers are accepted.
Blankets	Futon mattress for a nap (please get one for your child): Washed at home once a week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Vegetable-Based Snacks, Fruit-Based Protein Snacks
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,500 JPY (3 years and older)
Necessary School Items *As of 2023. Details are subject to change.	【3,4,5 years olds】 Smock 3,750 JPY, Summer T Shirt 1,800 JPY, Color Cap 1,000 JPY, Cushion for a Disaster Prevention 3,550 JPY, Art Items (Crayon · Drawing Paper) 7,200 JPY/Yearly, Parents/Guardians' Association Membership 500 JPY/Monthly, Main Dishes 900 JPY/ Monthly (3 years olds) · 1,000 JPY/Monthly (4 and 5 years olds), Class Fees 500 JPY/Monthly (Kids Soccer · Painting · Tea Ceremony · Wadaiko, etc.), Tooth Brush 100 JPY/Monthly, Graduation Ceremonial Event and Gift 1,000 JPY/Monthly (5 years olds) 【0, 1, 2 years olds】 Summer T Shirt 1,800 JPY, Color Cap 1,000 JPY, Cushion for a Natural Disaster: 3,550 JPY (2 years olds), Parents/Guardians' Association Membership 500 JPY/Monthly, Tooth Brush 100 JPY/Monthly (1, 2 Years Olds), ※All Children: Insurance 960 JPY/Yearly
Other Notes	○ Fun Festa September 28 (Sat) at 9:00 ○ Open House · Childcare Trial ※Only reserved via phone

24 Kodama Soyokaze Nursery School

◎ Admin: Koshin Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Shoboji-cho 26 - 4

◎ TEL: 0749-22-0415

◎ Capacity: 90

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
15	21	15	15	8	8	82

◎ Policy and Features

- Our Goals: To help children respect every life, become resilient, and be considerate.
- ☆ Play: Children develop a sense of cooperation by actively playing with one another.
- ☆ English: Three times a month, a native English speaker visits the school to help children become more globally aware.
- ☆ Lunch: No additives are used in our school meals, and each menu is created by our nutritionists and prepared by our kitchen staff.
- ☆ Security: The school is equipped with security cameras and an emergency alert system.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Obon Season, New Year Holiday Season, New FY Season ※The school may be closed due to an unexpended schedule. ※Please let us know if you want to use this service especially for Saturdays and/or Sundays.
Closing Day	1 st , 3 rd , 4 th and 5 th Sunday, Holidays, New Year Holidays
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	18:00 – 18:30 2,000 JPY/Monthly 18:00 – 19:00 2,500 JPY/Monthly (Refreshment Fee: 500 JPY) After 18:00 Without Application to Use the Service 18:00 – 19:00 200 JPY per 30 minutes (Refreshment Fee: 50 JPY) Short-Time Childcare Service Users: 500 JPY per 30 minutes
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	Details will be decided later.
Diapers	Please prepare diapers for your child. *Used diapers are disposed of at the school.
Blankets	Futon Mattress for a Nap (Please get one for your child) Washed at home at least once a month.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks, Fruit (3 times a week)
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,500 JPY/Monthly (3 – 5 years olds)
Necessary School Items	School Bag (3 - 5 years olds), Gymnastics Class (4 and 5 years olds), Color Cap, etc.
Miscellaneous Expenses	Main Dishes 1,000 JPY / Monthly (3-5 years olds), Picture Book 450 JPY/Monthly (4, 5 yrs. olds), Event fee, etc.
Other Notes	Parents/Guardians' Association Membership 1,200 JPY/Annually

25 Donguri Kendaimae Nursery School

◎ Admin: Donguri Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Hassaka-cho 3248

◎ TEL: 0749-28-7040

◎ Capacity: 46

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
10	11	10	9	9	2	51

◎ Policy and Features

☆ We recognize that some children will leave their homes and spend a day at our school for the very first time. To ease their anxiety, we are committed to caring for them with lots of love. The school assigns childcare workers to look after specific groups of infants (under 2 years old). Children aged 3 and older are cared for in an age-mixed group setting.

Play: The school emphasizes Japanese culture and traditions, offering activities such as Wadaiko, Minbu, and rhythm classes.

Meals: The school uses fresh, seasonal ingredients with light seasoning and minimal additives. We can also adjust ingredients according to food allergies.

Birthday: The school celebrates children's birthdays with a special birthday party.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, New Year Holiday Period, New Fiscal Year Period *Please let us know in advance if you want to use this service.
Closing Day	Sundays, National Holidays, New Year Holiday Season *The school may be closed due to other school events, etc.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16: 30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	*Regular-Time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 minutes (18:30 – 19:00) 300 JPY per 15 minutes (19:00 – 19:15) *Short-Time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 minutes
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	Annual School Clean-up
Diapers	Cloth Diapers
Blankets	Washed at home at the end of each week
Features of Snacks	Home-made Snacks
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,500 JPY/Monthly (3 years olds or older)
Necessary School Items	Album: 1,890 JPY, Cotton Sheet for Summer: 2,900, for Winter: 3,100 JPY, Color Cap: 1330 JPY, Cooking Apron: 2,000 JPY, Message Notebook: 120 JPY – 385 JPY, Reusable Bag: 380 JPY
Miscellaneous Expenses	Young Children (Main Dishes 1,000 JPY/Monthly, Picture book 420 JPY/Monthly, Educational Materials 200 JPY/Monthly, Paint Tubes: 968JPY) Infants (Diapers: 500 JPY – 3,300 JPY/Monthly, Photo: 200 JPY)
Other Notes	Parents/Guardians' Association Membership 800 JPY/Monthly Insurance 210 JPY/Yearly, Graduation Trip (Senior Children Only) 1,500 JPY/Monthly (Six months) 1,000 JPY Monthly for Bus Field Trips

26 Hikone Sakura Nursery School

◎ Admin: Matsukaze Gakuen

◎ Address: Hikone Serikawa-cho 586

◎ TEL: 0749-26-3800

◎ Capacity: 90

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
20	24	23	18	13	6	104

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◎ Policy and Features

☆ **Kindness:** The school puts maximum effort into providing all children with the utmost benefits for their growth.

☆ **Safety:** All guardians can rest assured that their children will be well cared for in our safe school environment.

☆ **Independence:** We respect and support each child's unique personality to help them develop their own identity.

We believe that curiosity and a sense of challenge are important sources of vitality. We hope that children can discover their favorite activities through play and learning at our school.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, New FY Season ※Please let us know in advance if you want to use this service. ※If you want to use this service, you are required to submit an employment certificate.
Closing Day	Sundays, National Holidays, New Year Holiday Season (Dec 29 - Jan 3), Staff Seminar (July 24, Saturday), School Maintenance and Cleaning (Three Times a Year) ※ Due to some other school events, the school may be closed on a Saturday.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16: 30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	[Short Time] 8:00 AM – 8:30 AM: 300 JPY Per Child 4:30 PM – 5:00 PM: 300 JPY Per Child After 5:00 PM: 500 JPY Per 30 Minutes Per Child
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	If you choose not to use the diaper subscription system, please prepare diapers.
Blankets	Washed at home once a week or anytime gets unclean.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks twice or three times a week
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,500 JPY Monthly (3 years old and older)
Necessary School Items	Color Cap, etc.
Miscellaneous Expenses	Miscellaneous Expenses 0, 1, 2 yrs.: 2,500 JPY/Yearly, 3, 4 yrs.: 3,000 JPY/Yearly, 5 yrs.: 3,500 JPY/Yearly Main Meal 1,000 yen /Monthly (3 yrs. old and older) Graduation Album 1,000 JPY/Monthly (5 yrs. olds) ※There may be some changes to those miscellaneous expenses.
Other Notes	*If your child develops a fever or becomes unwell: We ask the guardian to pick up him/her immediately.

27 Hikone Kangaroo Nursery School

⊙ Admin: Fujino Kodmo Clinic

⊙ Address: Hikone Toga-cho 53-3

⊙ TEL: 0749-49-2022

⊙ Capacity: 50

⊙ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
14	12	10	10	9	3	58

⊙ Policy and Features

We are committed to providing warm childcare to every child in our small-scale, home-like environment.

☆ We value the connection with each child.

☆ We value emotional connections.

☆ We aim to create a safe and nurturing atmosphere.

☆ We respect each child's unique characteristics and independence.

○ We strive to work closely with all guardians to support their children's development.

○ Our nursery school emphasizes the importance of building a close and friendly community.

⊙ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Services	Saturdays • Obon Season • New Year Holidays • New Fiscal Year Period *Please let the school know in advance if you wish to use this service.
Closing Day	Sundays • National Holidays • New Year Holidays
Core Time (Short-Time)	8:30 - 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	300 JPY per 30 minutes (18:30 – 19:00) 500 JPY per 30 minutes (after 19:00)
Parking Space	Parking Space of Ayaha Dio, Parking Space in Front of the Schoolyard
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	Any diapers are accepted
Blankets	Bath Towel (Washed at home once a week)
Snacks of Features	Homemade Snacks 3 times a week
The Cost of Side Dishes	Side Dishes: 4,500 JPY/Monthly, Main Dishes: 1000 JPY/Monthly (3 yrs. and older)
Necessary School Items	Smock, Play Clothes, Color Cap, etc.
Miscellaneous Expense	Picture books: 400 JPY/Monthly, Album New School Year Items (only in April), Graduation Album: 1200 JPY (5 yrs. olds)
Other Notes	No parents/guardians' association.

28 Wellness Nursery School Hikone

◎Admin: Taiken Fukushi-kai

◎Address: Hikone Furusawa-cho 255-1, AEON TOWN Hikone

◎TEL: 0749-49-3731

◎Capacity: 44

◎A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024 July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
5	5	2	5	2	4	23

◎Policy and Features

Our nursery school is located on the premises of AEON TOWN Hikone. The location is very convenient, and the large parking area at AEON TOWN can be used when dropping off and picking up your child.

The main school policy is to help children become healthy, resilient, and humane.

☆ **Goal:** To foster the mental and physical health of children.

☆ **Principles:** To value and respect each child and create an environment where guardians can leave their children in our care without anxiety.

☆ **Policy:** To commit to nurturing children's humanity.

◎Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Period, New Year Holiday Period (Dec 29 – Jan 3), Beginning and End of Fiscal Year *Please apply for the optional childcare service in advance.
Closing Days	National Holidays, Dec 29 to Jan 3, Sundays
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short-time Childcare 500 JPY per 30 minutes: 7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. 500 JPY per 30 minutes: after 4:30 p.m. • Regular-time Childcare 500 JPY per 30 minutes: 7:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. 500 JPY per 30 minutes: after 6:00 p.m.
Parking Space	Please use the parking space of AEON TOWN.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	Prepare diapers for your child. *Used diapers will be disposed of by the school.
Blankets	A blanket needs to be washed at least once a week
Features of Snacks	In the Morning: Commercially Available Snacks In the Afternoon: Home-made Snacks (Twice a week)
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,500 JPY per month
Nursery School Items	Cap: Approx. 1,000 JPY (One Year and Older), Name Seal (170 JPY)
Miscellaneous Expenses	Main Dishes: 500 JPY/Monthly (3 Years and Older)

29 AIGRAN Nursery School Minami Hikone

◎Admin: AIGRAN Corporation

◎Address: Hikone Takegahana-cho 17-1

◎TEL:0749-30-9876

◎Capacity: 60

◎A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
6	14	13	11	11	6	61

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○ School Policy

• We strive to create a safe environment where children feel at home, allowing parents and guardians to leave their children in our care with confidence.

• We build close relationships with the parents and guardians of all children by offering child-rearing support, making the experience rewarding and enjoyable.

○ **Principles:** We hope that school children will become individuals who can dream, work hard towards their goals, and achieve their aspirations in the future.

○ Goals:

☆ Fostering a sense of self

☆ Emphasizing the importance of personality

☆ Encouraging children to be considerate

☆ Highlighting the significance of exposure to nature

○ Features

☆ A special fun event is organized each month!

☆ The school incorporates rhythmic activities into our childcare.

☆ Weekly online English lessons.

☆ Safe, nutritious school meals:

• Safety • Weaning foods tailored to each infant • Homemade snacks

☆ You can check on your child through a webcam.

☆ Nap time is implemented.

◎Childcare Services , etc.

Services	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays
Closing Days	Sundays, National Holidays, Dec 29 to Jan 3
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short-time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 minutes (18:30 – 19: 00) 500JPY per 30 minutes (After 19:00) • Regular-time Childcare 300 JPY per 30 minutes
Parking Space	Please use the parking space across the school.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	3,278 JPY/Monthly *If you wish to bring diapers from home, let the school know.
Blankets	A blanket needs to be washed at least once a week.
Features of Snacks	School meals and snacks are in house made.
The Cost of Side Dishes	5,000 JPY per month (for 3 yrs. and older)
Nursery School Items	Message Note, Cap, Attendance Note, Message Holder, Head Cushion, etc.
Miscellaneous Expenses	Playdough, Playdough Case, Playdough Board, Colored Pencils, Sketchbook, Glue, Crayon, Scissors, Smock

29 **Hirata Kodomo-en**

◎ Admin: Hikone City

◎ Address: Hikone Hirata-cho 303-1

◎ TEL: 0749-23-7120

◎ Capacity: Nursery Section – 60, Kindergarten Section – 140

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
27	23	19	16	12	5	102

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◎ Policy and Features

☆ Hirata Kodomoen opened in April 2017 and serves as both a nursery school and a kindergarten. The school is constructed of wood, adding warmth and comfort to its welcoming structure. Children aged 0 to 5 years old enjoy their time in this wooden environment.

Our aim is to help our children become "Emotionally Rich and Resilient" through various experiences and interactions with others. Additionally, the school emphasizes close cooperation with children's guardians and the local community to serve as a center for child-rearing.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, New Year Holidays (Dec 29 – Jan 3), New Fiscal Year Period
Closing Day	Sundays, National Holidays, Dec 29 – Jan 3 *Due to some other school events, the school may be closed on a Saturday.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	200 JPY per service (After 6: 30 PM)
Parking Space	The school has its parking space (approx.. 40 cars)
Volunteer Activities by Parents	Once a year or so
Diapers	Diapers are provided under the subscription system, and used diapers are disposed of by the school too. The cost of the subscription has to be borne by parents.
Blankets	Washed at home at least once a week, or whenever it needs to be washed.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (3 times a week) For infants, snacks are additive-free.
The Cost of School Meals	4,500 JPY Plus 1,000 JPY (3 and a half years old)
Necessary School Items	Color Cap: 1,050 JPY Smock: 1,430 JPY (M, L), 1540 JPY (LL) *Only for children aged 3 and above Gym Clothes: 3,500 JPY, Socks: 1,670 JPY
Miscellaneous Expenses	PTA Membership Fee: 350 JPY Monthly New School Items, Bus Trips, Graduation Album (only for 5-year olds)
Temporary Childcare Service	Available Hours: 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM 1,500 JPY for 4 Hours, 3,000 JPY for 8 Hours

30 St. Joseph Kodomo-en (Group 2 and 3)

◎ Admin: Shiga Catholic Gakuen

◎ Address: Hikone Tachibana-cho 2-24

◎ TEL: 0749-22-5376

◎ Capacity: 70

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
21	21	14	12	7	2	77

***The Diaper Subscription System Has Been Implemented!**

◎ Policy and Features

The school focuses on fostering resilience and compassion in children by respecting each child's individuality and employing the Montessori method. We care for 3-, 4-, and 5-year-olds together to support social skill development.

Starting in FY 2021, the school transitioned to Kodomo-en, expanding our care to include children aged zero and one year old.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturdays, New Fiscal Year Period, Obon Season (August 13 – 15) ※ You are required to apply for this service in advance and to submit an employment certificate along with the application form.
Closing Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sundays, National Holidays • New Year Holiday Season (Dec 29 – Jan 3) • The school may be closed due to other reasons.
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8 : 30 - 16 : 30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	150 JPY per 30 minutes (16:30 – 19:00)
Parking Space	Please use the church's parking lot (free) ※ The parking space can be crowded, so please be patient and nice to each other.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School Clean-up Twice a Year (In May and August) ※ Due to Covid-19, volunteer activities by parents were all canceled.
Blankets	School Yard Clean-up (not mandatory)
Diapers	Parents of children aged 0 to 2 years old can use the diaper subscription services (2980 JPY per month). You can bring diapers from your home, but you need to write your child's name on each diaper. Used diapers are disposed of by the school.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (80 JPY per snack)
The Cost of Side Dishes	Nigonintei: Main Dishes 3,000 JPY/Monthly, Side Dishes: 4,500 JPY/Monthly
Necessary School Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 – 5 years olds: School Uniform and Cap, Smock, Gym Uniform Top and Bottom, Indoor Shoes and Color Cap, School Bag, etc. Approx. 40.000 JPY • 2 years olds: Smock, Gym Uniform Top and Bottom, Indoor Shoes, Color Cap, etc. Approx. 10.000 JPY • 0 and 1 year olds: Color Cap
Miscellaneous Expenses	Educational Materials: 2.000 JPY/Monthly, Rakurakuen Kanri System 100 JPY/Monthly Kodomon: 200 Yen Monthly Bank Transfer Handling Fee 110 JPY/Monthly 3 – 5 years olds: Picture Book Approx. 400 JPY/Monthly, Parents/Guardians' Association Membership 200 JPY/Monthly Field Trip Fees *Charged accordingly.
Other Notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One guardian from each class will be chosen to be a board member. (No board member form parents of children aged 0 to 2 years old)

31 ABC English Pre-School

◎ Admin: ABC ENGLISH

◎ Address: Hikone Oyabu-cho 2496-1

◎ TEL: 0749-23-2000

◎ Capacity: 45

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yrs.	0 yrs.	Total
14	15	9	6	—	—	44

◎ Policy and Features

Principles “Have Dreams” “Have Self-Confidence”
 “Be Independent” “Respect Others”

We teach children about the importance of the above to help them gain a sense of responsibility and morality.

- Policy**
- The school has its concepts of education - “Learn In English”, “Think In English”, “Communicate In English”, and “Like the English Language” in the multicultural school environment.
 - With interactions with people from various countries, the school nurtures children’s understanding and kindness toward one another.
 - The school helps and encourages children to play and learn on their own initiative through a variety of cultural activities.

◎ School Information

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, January 4, New Year Holiday Season, Holiday in Lieu ※Please let the school know in advance if you want to use this service.
Closing Day	Sundays, Holidays, Dec 29 – Jan 3, Alert Level 3 and Higher *The school may be closed due to some other reasons.
Core Time	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	Short-Time : 8 : 00 - 8 : 30, 16 : 30 - 19 : 00 350 JPY/ per 30 minutes
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	Please prepare diapers for your child.
Blankets/Sheets	Washed at home at the end of each week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (70 JPY per snack)
The Cost of Side Dishes	Main Dishes 3, 000 JPY/Monthly, Side Dishes 5,000 JPY/Monthly *Including the costs of lunches and snacks served at events.
Necessary School Items	• School Uniform, Gym Uniform (Top and Bottom), Color Cap, School Bag Approx. 21,000 JPY
Miscellaneous Expenses	• English Education Material: 25, 000 JPY/Monthly • Accident Insurance Coverage: 360 JPY/Monthly • International Activities Fee: 2, 000 JPY/Monthly • Graduating Album (5 years olds only) 18, 000 JPY • Bank Transfer Handling Fee :165 JPY/Monthly • Picture Book: 450 JPY/Monthly New School Year Items • English Textbooks, Work Books: Approx. 5,000 JPY for 2 years olds, Approx. 6,000 – 9,000 JPY for 3 to 5 years olds • Approx. 8, 000 JPY for Crayons, Glue, Scissors, Play Dough, Color Pencils, etc.
Others	• Club Activities (Optimal) 3,080 JPY/Monthly, Insurance Coverage 800 JPY/Yearly Soccer, Piano, Rhythmic (FY 2023) • Field Trip, etc.: Charged Accordingly. • Other Events { Easter, Summer Festival, Halloween, Christmas Funny Friday, etc. }

32 Kodomo-en Hikarino-mori

◎Admin: Kokoro Atatamaru Kai

◎Address: Hikone Mitsuya-cho Nishigawara 462-1

◎TEL: 0749-47-3237

◎Capacity: 60 (Group 2 and 3), 15 (Group 1)

◎A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024 July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
15	16	16	12	10	1	70

◎Policy and Features

“Be Active”, “Be Pensive”, “Be Emotional”

Hikarino-mori aims to create an educational environment that fosters resilience and adaptability in children.

- Hikarino-mori is a Kodomo-en set to open in FY 2022. It will feature a variety of engaging spaces and offer environments that encourage diverse experiences for children.
- We will provide carefully selected European toys appropriate for different developmental stages, all within a calming atmosphere.

◎Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Period, New Year Holidays, New Fiscal Year Period
Closing Days	Sundays, National Holidays, New Year Holidays (Dec 29 – Jan 3)
Core Time (Short-Time Childcare)	8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	Short Time: 7:15 AM - 8:30 AM, After 4:30 PM Regular Time: 7:15 AM - 7:30 AM, After 6:30 PM Early Morning: 100 JPY Per 15 Minutes Evening: 200 JPY Per 30 Minutes *Please ask us directly about the monthly fee.
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	No restrictions
Blankets	A blanket needs to be washed at the end of each week.
Features of Snacks	Home-made Snacks (as much as possible)
The Cost of Side Dishes	For 3 years and older: 4,700 JPY (Group 2), 4,200 (Group 1)
Nursery School Items	Color Cap, Basket to Keep Changes of Clothes
Miscellaneous Expenses	New School Year Items, Educational Material and Photos: 500 JPY/Monthly, Insurance, Main Dishes: 1,000 JPY (3 years and older) Monthly, Graduation Album (5 years olds only) *Other expenses will be charged according to activities and events.
Other Notes	If children become ill, a nurse is stationed at our facility. With that said, if your child develops a high fever or other medical conditions, the school will ask you to pick your child immediately.

③④ Kinjo Kodmo-en

◎Admin: Aigran Corp. ◎Address: Hikone City Kaidema-cho 1492-1

◎Tel: 0749-47-3615

◎Capacity: 109 (Group 2 and 3), 75 (Group 1)

◎A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024 July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
8	16	16	16	20	9	85

◎Policy and Features

○School Policy

- The school is dedicated to creating a safe environment where parents and guardians can leave their children with peace of mind.
- We emphasize the importance of building mutual trust with parents and guardians by providing ongoing support.

○Aims and Objectives

- ☆Development of Independence ☆Emphasis on Individuality
- ☆Development of Compassion ☆Interaction with Nature

○Features

- ☆Monthly fun events ☆Eurhythmics classes.
- ☆Weekly online English classes. ☆Healthy meals provided:
 - Health and safe meals • Baby foods fine-tuned to each young child • Home-made snacks
- ☆Webcams installed for parents/guardians to monitor their children at school
- ☆Nap time checker for added peace of mind

◎Childcare Services, etc. Offered by the School

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays
Closing Days	Sundays, National Holidays, New Year Holidays (Dec 29 until Jan 3)
Core Time (Short-time Childcare)	8:30 AM – 4:30 PM
The Cost of an Extra-time Childcare Service	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular-time Childcare: 150 JPY per 30 minutes (6:30 PM – 7:00 PM) • Short-time Childcare: 150 JPY per 30 minutes
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	The school provides diapers for a fee (3,278JPY monthly) ※Parents can choose to bring diapers for their children.
Blankets	A blanket needs to be washed at least once a week.
Features of Snacks	All snacks are home-made
The Cost of Side Dishes	4,000 – 4,500 JPY Monthly for 3 years old and above
Nursery School Items	Message Notebook, Cap, Attendance Notebook, Folder, Disaster Prevention Head Cushion
Miscellaneous Expenses	Playdough, Playdough Case, Playdough Board, Item Case Color Pencils, Sketchbook, Glue, Crayons, Scissors, Smock
Other	Necessary expenses must be paid using the cashless service called EN PAY.

③⑤ Small-Scale Nursery: Hohoemi-en

◎ Admin: Ohmi Railway

◎ Address: Hikone Ekihigashi-cho 15-1

◎ TEL: 0749-22-3332

◎ Capacity: 19

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
—	—	—	7	5	4	16

◎ Policy and Features

- ☆ Our school is a small-scale childcare facility that creates a homely atmosphere, allowing us to focus closely on each child and provide personalized care.
- ☆ Children have the unique opportunity to ride a train, bus, and taxi during field trips, an experience not typically offered at other nursery schools.
- ☆ The school is conveniently located near Hikone Station!
- ☆ We host Hohoemi Hiroba once a month on a Saturday.
- ☆ We open the school to the public once a month for children who are not enrolled in any childcare facilities.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, New Year Holidays, Obon Season, Long Back-to-back Holidays (Golden Week, etc.) *You are required to apply to use this service in advance.
Closing Day	Sundays, National Holidays, New Year Holidays
Core Time	8 : 00 - 16 : 00
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	6:00 PM – 6:29 PM: 150 JPY, 6:30 PM – 6:59 PM: 350 JPY 7:00 PM – 7:30 PM: 550 JPY *Including 50 JPY for snacks provided to children after 6:00 PM.
Parking Space	Please use the coin parking behind the building in which our nursery is located (For the first 15 minutes, it is free. Some spaces are made available for our visitors.)
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	Please prepare diapers for your child. *Used diapers are disposed of at the school.
Blankets/Sheets	Washed at home at least once a week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (Every afternoon)
The Cost of Side Dishes	N/A
Necessary School Items	Color Cap (1,100 JPY), Bag for a Message Notebook (300 JPY)
Miscellaneous Expenses	Photos (100 JPY per photo), Snacks provided during the optional childcare and Saturday childcare services (50JPY each time), Educational materials and supplies (1,300 JPY per month)
Others	No school uniform or school bag. Website link: http://www.ohmitetudo.co.jp

③⑥ Small-Scale Nursery: Pallet

◎ Admin: NPO Home Sweet Home

◎ Address: Hikone Shingai-cho 2240

◎ TEL: 0749-29-9073

◎ Capacity: 19

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
—	—	—	5	8	4	17

◎ Policy and Features

- ☆ We respect each child's individuality and personality.
- ☆ We consider each child's lifestyle to provide the best childcare in a home-like atmosphere.
- ☆ We frequently read picture books to infants to foster their imagination.
- ☆ We incorporate music into our childcare to enrich children's emotional development.
- ☆ Through outdoor activities and exposure to nature, we teach children the importance of life.
- ☆ By providing opportunities for children to interact with users of an adult daycare facility next to our nursery, we promote social skills, cooperation, and compassion.

We aim to support parents and guardians by implementing policies that eliminate volunteer work and parent associations, allowing them to spend more quality time with their children.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays • Sundays • National Holidays • Obon Season • New Fiscal Year Period ※This service is available for only parents/guardians who cannot watch their children at home due to work. ※Please avoid using this service every day.
Closing Day	New Year Holiday Season
Core Time	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	Regular Hour: 300 JPY per 30 minutes (after 18:30) Shor-Time Hour: 300 JPY per 30 minutes (7:30 – 8:30 • after 16:30) After 19:00 500 JPY per 30 minutes
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	Diapers can be brought in or purchased from us.
Blanket/Sheet	Children use blankets, sheets, etc. for a nap time at the school. ※No need for a guardian to wash them at home.
Features of Snacks	Homemade Snacks (two or three times a week)
Miscellaneous Expenses	Attendance Book, Album, Photos, etc. Payments for other expenses will be collected accordingly.
Parents/Guardians' Association	N/A

37 **Small-Scale Nursery: Niko Niko Ohisama-en**

◎ Admin: Kawamura

◎ Address: Hikone: Hikone Higashi Nonami-cho 1235-5

◎ TEL: 0749-20-2961

◎ Capacity: 19

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
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◎ Policy and Features

☆ This school has been founded to support parents/guardians and their children.

☆ The school offers an environment where everyone can feel at home.

☆ Our childcare workers take excellent care of each child.

☆ The school provides childcare services to help children grow physically and psychologically healthy.

☆ The school is committed to education that ensures all children can play and learn together.

☆ The school encourages children to play together to enhance their cognitive development.

Our education programs are tailored to children of different ages and provided in a home-like atmosphere. We also value the importance of caring for children in close cooperation with their parents and guardians.

◎ Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays, Obon Season, New Fiscal Year Period ※Please let us know in advance if you want to use this service. There is a need to prepare a boxed lunch and a water bottle for your child.
Closing Day	Saturday, National Holidays, New Year Holidays, Staff Seminars, When a higher-than-level-3 warning is issued ※The school will be closed due to some other reasons.
Core Time	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	300 JPY per service (18:30 – 19:00) 500 JPY per service (After 19:00) Shor-time Childcare: 300 JPY per 30 minutes * A snack will be provided after 18:00 p.m. (100 JPY per each time)
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
Volunteer Activities by Parents	June • March
Diapers	Please prepare diapers for your baby. Used diapers are disposed of at the school.
Blankets/Sheets	Washed at home at least once a week.
Features of Snacks	Organic • Homemade Snacks
The Cost of Side Dishes	N/A
Necessary School Items	Smocks, Color Cap, Message Notebook, etc.
Miscellaneous Expenses	Picture Book, Insurance, Educational Materials., etc.
Others	The school asks guardians/parents to pick up their kids earlier than usual because of a staff seminar or a trial childcare period.

③⑧ Small-Scale Nursery: Tsubomi

◎ Admin: Kawatei Innovation Corp.

◎ Address: Hikone Takamiya-cho 2327

◎ TEL: 0749-49-2572

◎ Capacity: 19

◎ A Number of Enrolled Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
—	—	—	8	4	3	15

***The Diaper Subscription System Has Been Implemented!**

◎Policy and Features

- The school has a welcoming vibe in which every child can express him/herself freely.
- Through a variety of experiences, we help children to develop their five senses and curiosity.
- Children will be encouraged to communicate with others to become social and compassionate.
- The school helps children to have a healthy life style.

At the Tsubomi nursery school, children spend their days in our school's at-home environment. Thanks to close cooperation with the nearby pharmacy, the school has a around-the-clock support to meet children's basic medical needs, such as UV prevention, sanitization, heyfever prevention, etc. In addition, for children who have food allergies, we provide them with allergy-free meals.

◎Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Service, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Saturdays • Obon Season
Closing Day	Sundays • National Holidays • New Year Holiday Season (Dec 29 – Jan 3)
Core Time	8:30 – 16:30
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	Regular Hour: 18:30 300 JPY per 30 minutes Short-Time Hour: Until 8:30 a.m. • After 4:30 p.m. 100 JPY per 10 minutes
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space. (To see more details, click the link: https://tsubomi-hoiku.jp/)
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	Diapers are provided by the school for a monthly fee of 2,780 JPY. For two-year olds, it is optional.
Blanket/Sheet	Washed at home once a week.
Features of Snacks	Homemade snacks three times a week
The Cost of Side Dishes	N/A
Necessary School Items	A color cap *A color cap will be used until graduation. Message Notebook (190 JPY per notebook)
Miscellaneous Expense	Disposal of Diapers (250 JPY/Monthly) Tissues, Paper Towels, Disinfectant Liquid, Wet Wipe Photos, Field Trip Fees (Charged Accordingly)
Others	The school has adopted ICT Nursery.

39 On-Site Nursery: Karugamo

◎ Admin: Yujin Kai

◎ Address: Hikone Takegahana-cho 80 Banchi

◎ TEL: 0749-23-1804

◎ Capacity: 35

◎ A Number of Children by Age (As of 2024, July 1)

5 yrs.	4 yrs.	3 yrs.	2 yrs.	1 yr.	0 yr.	Total
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◎Policy and Features

☆ “Be Relaxed, Active, and Positive”

☆ We value every child’s unique personality and care for them in a relaxing and vibrant environment.

☆ We help all children grow both physically and psychologically in a group setting where everyone can smile.

School Aims and Objectives

☆ Helping children follow a schedule and daily routine.

☆ Providing children with opportunities to experience various things using their five senses.

☆ Encouraging children to be considerate of others.

◎Childcare Services, etc. Offered by This Facility

Services, etc.	Details
Optional Childcare Service	Obon Season (August 13 – August 16)
Closing Day	New Year Holiday Season (Dec 30 – Jan 3)
Core Time	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (8 hours)
The Cost of an Extra-Time Childcare Service	6:45 PM – 8:00 PM 250 JPY per 15 minutes Meal: 600 JPY (tax included)
Temporary Childcare Service	500 JPY Per Hour, Meal: 600 JPY (tax included)
Parking Space	The school has its own parking space.
The Cost of a Temporary Childcare Service	2,000 JPY per day (including a meal), 1,700 JPY per day (excluding a meal)
Volunteer Activities by Parents	N/A
Diapers	Any types of diapers are available
Blanket/Sheet	Washed at home at least once a week
Features of Snacks	Healthy snacks like fruits
The Cost of Side Dishes	N/A
Necessary School Items	Picture books, Caps, Crayons, Playdough, Album, Playdough Board, Sketchbook, Sticker Note, Message Note, Message Bag
Miscellaneous Expense	N/A
Other Notes	Childcare on holidays: 2,000 JPY Per Day

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★ A List of Nursery Schools ★

★Please contact each nursery school in person to obtain further details.

【Nursery Schools】

	Name	Address	Capacity	TEL	FAX	Opening Hours (Weekdays)★	Opening Hours (Saturdays)	Target Age	Availability of Childcare Services				
									Extra-Time Childcare	Temporary Childcare	Childcare on Holidays	School Yard Opening	Diaper Subscription
①	Nishi Nursery School	〒522-0067 Nagasone-cho 8-21	110	22-1194	22-1194	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○			○	○
②	Higashi Nursery School	〒522-0082 Yasukiyo-cho 8-4	120	22-1394	22-1394	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○			○	○
③	Futaba Nursery School	〒522-0235 Kongoji-cho 101	140	28-2405	28-2601	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○		○	○	○
④	Jonan Nursery School	〒522-0054 Nishima-cho 285-1	170	22-2582	22-2583	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○			○	
⑤	Hinatsu Nursery School	〒522-0047 Hinatsu-cho 2634-1	80	28-0614	28-0614	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		○	
⑥	Hanada Nursery School	〒522-0046 Kanro-cho 473-2	60	28-0580	28-0580	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		○	
⑦	Take Nursery School	〒522-0058 Sugoshi-cho 1154-5	60	28-0681	28-0681	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		○	
⑧	Asahinomori Nursery School	〒522-0027 Higashinonami-cho 498-2	150	22-2658	22-2658	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○			○	
⑨	Toriimoto Nursery School	〒522-0004 Toriimoto-cho 1445	50	23-6091	23-6091	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		○	
⑩	Kameyama Nursery School	〒529-1155 katayama-cho 272-2	60	25-1209	25-1209	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		○	
⑪	Shiawase Nursery School	〒522-0222 Minami Kawase-cho 1195-1	90	28-0581	28-0200	7:00 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○			×	
⑫	Inae Futaba Nursery School	〒521-1133 Honjo-cho 2647	80	43-2053	43-2238	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		×	
⑬	Kotobuki Nursery School	〒521-1103 Kamiokabe-cho 503	50	43-2057	43-2190	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		×	
⑭	Mizuho Nursery School	〒521-1113 Inabe-cho 400-1	110	43-4394	43-6562	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		○	
⑮	Nozomi Nursery School	〒522-0064 Honmachi 1- Chome 8-20	90	22-6011	22-6013	7:30 ~ 19:30	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○			×	
⑯	Megumi Nursery School	〒522-0201 Takamiya-cho 1755	90	26-5791	26-5793	7:00 ~ 19:00	8:00 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		×	
⑰	Rumbini Nursery School	〒522-0083 Kawara 1-Chome 1-4	90	26-1230	21-1180	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		○	
⑱	Hikone Infant Nursery School	〒522-0051 Nakayabu Ni-Chome2-6	70	22-5768	26-6807	7:00 ~ 19:00	7:00 ~ 18:00	2 months ~ 3 years	○	○		○	
⑲	Donguri Nursery School	〒522-0223 Kawasebaba-Cho 1149-1	90	25-5110	25-5112	7:15 ~ 19:15	7:15 ~ 18:15	2 months ~ 5 years	○	○		○	
⑳	Morinoko Nursery School	〒522-0055 Nose-Cho 106	110	23-4918	23-4928	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		×	
㉑	Asahinomori Nursery School	〒522-0025 Nodayama-Cho 1099-1	45	30-9321	30-3386	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	4 months ~ 3 years	○		○	○	
㉒	Raymond Oyabu Nursery School	〒522-0053 Ohyabu-Cho 2655	90	47-5945	47-5946	7:30 ~ 19:30	7:30 ~ 19:00	6 months ~ 5 years	○			×	○
㉓	Hoikuen Mononoie Daichi	〒522-0043 Koizumi-Cho 395-7	85	47-5500	26-2150	7:15 ~ 19:15	7:15 ~ 19:15	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		×	○
㉔	Kodama Soyokaze Nursery School	〒522-0024 Shoboji-Cho 26-4	90	22-0415	22-0418	7:00 ~ 20:00	7:00 ~ 19:00	6 months ~ 5 years	○		△	×	
㉕	Donguri Kendaimae Nursery School	〒522-0057 Hassaka-Cho 3248	46	28-7040	28-7041	7:15 ~ 19:15	7:15 ~ 18:15	2 months ~ 5 years	○	○		×	
㉖	Hikone Sakura Nursery School	〒522-0033 Serikawa-Cho 586	90	26-3800	26-3805	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○			○	○
㉗	Hikone Kangaroo Nursery School	〒522-0042 Toga-cho 53-3	50	49-2022	49-2030	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	3 months ~ 5 years	○	○		×	
㉘	Welness Nursery School Hikone	〒522-0007 Furusawa-cho 255-1 Aeon Tow	44	49-3731	49-3732	7:00 ~ 19:00	7:00 ~ 18:00	6 months ~ 5 years	○		○	×	
㉙	AIGRAN Nursery School Minami Hikone	〒522-0044 Takegahana-cho 17-1	60	30-9876	30-9877	7:30 ~ 19:30	7:30 ~ 19:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○			○	○

△: 2nd Sunday Only

【Kodomo-en】

	Name	Address	Capacity	TEL	FAX	Opening Hours (Weekdays)	Opening Hours (Saturdays)	Target Age	Availability of Childcare Services				
									Extra-Time Childcare	Temporary Childcare	Childcare on Holidays	School Yard Opening	Diaper Subscription
⑩	Hirata Kodomo-en	〒522-0041 Horata-Cho 303-1	90	23-7120	23-7119	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		×	○
31	St.Joseph Nursery School	〒522-0062 Tachibana-Cho 2-24	70	22-5376	22-5523	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○			○	○
32	ABC English School	〒522-0053 Ohyabu-Cho 2496-1	45	23-2000	20-8829	8:00 ~ 19:00	8:30 ~ 16:30	2 years ~ 5 years	○			○	
34	Kinjo Kodomo-en	〒522-0056 Kaideima-cho 1492-1	109	47-3615	47-3618	7:30 ~ 19:30	7:30 ~ 19:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		○	
33	Hikarino Mori	〒521-1122 Mitsuya-cho 462-1	60	47-3237	47-3238	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 5 years	○	○		○	○

※As for St. Joseph kindergarten, the availability is the 1st and 3rd Saturday only. There might be some changes to ABC English Preschool.

【Small-Scale Nursery】

	Name	Address	Capacity	TEL	FAX	Opening Hours (Weekdays)	Opening Hours (Saturdays)	Target Age	Availability of Childcare Services				
									Extra-Time Childcare	Temporary Childcare	Childcare on Holidays	School Yard Opening	Diaper Subscription
35	Hohoemi-en	〒522-8503 Eki Higashi-Cho 15-1	19	22-3332	27-4567	7:15 ~ 19:30	8:00 ~ 17:00	6 months ~ 2 years	○			×	
36	Pallet	〒521-1135 Shinkai Hama-Cho 2240	19	29-9073	20-6885	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 19:00	1 month ~ 2 years	○		○	×	
37	Niko Niko Ohisama-en	〒522-0027 Higashinonami-Cho 1235-5	19	20-2961	20-2961	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 18:30	6 months ~ 2 years	○	○		×	
38	Tsubomi	〒522-0201 Takamiya-Cho 2373 banchi	19	49-2572	49-2573	7:30 ~ 19:00	7:30 ~ 17:00	6 months ~ 2 years	○			×	○

【On-Site Nursey】

	Name	Address	Capacity	TEL	FAX	Opening Hours (Weekdays)	Opening Hours (Saturdays)	Target Age	Availability of Childcare Services				
									Extra-Time Childcare	Temporary Childcare	Childcare on Holidays	School Yard Opening	Diaper Subscription
39	Karugamo	〒522-0044 Takegahana-Cho 80	35	23-1804	23-1804	7:45 ~ 20:00	7:45 ~ 18:45	6 months ~ 2 years	○	○	○	×	

※The capacity and opening hours of each nursery school is subject to change..

※Childcare on Saturdays needs to be applied for in advance.

※Please contact each nursery school if they open their school yards to the public or can temporarily look after children.