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International Kindergarten Group at Bulderby

The International Kindergarten Group at Bulderby daycare center merges Danish cultural and educational values with English-language skills for international families residing in the Viborg area.

The Kindergarten Group is designed for children who are expected to continue their schooling at an Englishlanguage school, either in Denmark or abroad. In addition to the basic educational objectives on which Bulderby is based, we focus on helping children develop their age-appropriate English-language skills in an inspiring atmosphere of play and learning.

The International Kindergarten Group at Bulderby has places for 20 children aged 3 to 6.

The basic language spoken is English. Some of the children already speak English as their native language, whereas others are learning to speak English as their second language.

The pedagogues assigned to the group, who are themselves proficient in English, support and stimulate linguistic development through play and learning, focused on the individual child's linguistic development.

The International Kindergarten Group is an integral element of the Bulderby Daycare Center, where Danish is the primary language. For practical purposes, this means that the children in the International Kindergarten Group are alone as a group and speak English as their common language five hours a day from the beginning of the day until early afternoon. After this, the children are together with the rest of the children at Bulderby where the primary language is Danish.



Bulderby - The Village of Possibilities



A community of children with space for closeness and security alongside challenges and exploration – always seen from a child's perspective!

This is the Bulderby vision which aims to support our key task:

to support the well-being and coping skills of each child together.

We broadly define the concept of "together":

- together with each child
- together with the parents
- together with experts in and outside the Bulderby organisation.

The Child's Perspective is key to everything we do, decide and prioritise at Bulderby. The Child's Perspective has also resulted in our name "Bulderby". Astrid Lindgren, the Swedish author of children's books, was brilliant at seeing things from a child's perspective, and her Bulderby is a rural village where the adults provide closeness and security, while the children are free to explore the world around them at the same time.



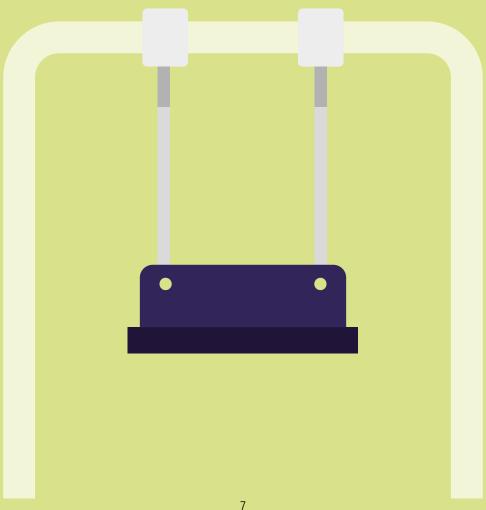




Age-integrated daycare

The children are together across age groups at Bulderby. This is because we believe that children gain valuable learning from one another.

The youngest children learn from the oldest, and the oldest children learn to appreciate the importance of passing on their knowledge and skills.



Children Learn all day long

At Bulderby, we seek to provide the children with educational quality and learning all day long.

The learning takes place in three equally valuable educational spaces:

Educational activities:

The educational activities, which usually take place between midmorning and noon, are planned, organised and carried out by the staff. These activities are ideal for introducing the children to new material or for practising and improving their skills. The children explore and learn alongside the other children, and the activities embody comprehensive potential for learning and inclusive education.

Educational routines:

The staff consider and incorporate learning into daily routines. The children learn and are included in meaningful daily routines. Deliberately using routines as an educational tool is becoming increasingly important and embodies comprehensive potential for learning and inclusive education.

Educational approach to children's play and interaction:

The children set the agenda whenever no activities are planned. Their play is organised by the children themselves (and supported by the adults, if necessary). The children process their skills and strategies in these settings. The children's play and interaction embodies comprehensive potential for inclusive education, making it possible to support the children's skills for interacting in a group of children.



A normal day at the International Kindergarten Group

The International Kindergarten Group is a part of the Villa Villekulla Kindergarten group.

Each day starts and ends with the other Kindergarten groups at Villa Villekulla, where the primary language spoken is Danish.





Enrolment

in the International Kindergarten Group

It is possible for residents of all municipalities in Denmark to enrol their children in the International Kindergarten Group at Bulderby. Children are admitted to the group as vacancies arise.

As the demand for places in the International Kindergarten Group can be high, we encourage parents to apply for a place well before their child is to begin. If you reside abroad, it is possible to apply for enrolment in the kindergarten before you move to Denmark. If there are no vacancies, applicants will be given the option of being put on a waiting list and of being notified as soon as a vacancy arises.

To apply for a place for your child in the International Kindergarten Group at Bulderby, please send an e-mail to the daycare office (Pladsanvisning) at Viborg Municipality **pladsandvisningen@viborg.dk** in which you specify:

- that you are applying for a place for your child in the International Kindergarten Group at Bulderby;
- the date on which you want your child to begin;
- the name and date of birth of both the child and the parents (if you have a civil registration number, please specify this);
- an address in Denmark (if the address in Denmark is still unknown, please specify your current address);
- an e-mail address and telephone numbers.

The current price for a daycare space is available by sending an e-mail to **pladsanvisningen@viborg.dk**

Families residing in other municipalities must contact their home municipality for this price, as this can vary from one municipality to another.





Viborg Municipality welcomes

multinational corporations, employees and students

Viborg Municipality strives to be an attractive place for multinational corporations, employees and students. The International Kindergarten Group at Bulderby is an initiative designed to support this aim.

Generally speaking, Viborg Municipality already has a large, wide-ranging number of private-sector, public-sector and educational workplaces with a substantial number of foreign workers who are interested in an international educational option for their children.

Over the past five years, an international study programme has been established in Viborg Municipality at primary, lower and upper secondary level by Viborg Private Realskole and Viborg Katedralskole. Viborg Municipality has been instrumental in this process as part of the municipality's ongoing multifaceted efforts to welcome and retain foreign workers.

By establishing an international Kindergarten option, we want to provide an English-language option in Viborg to children and youths aged 3 to 18.



Professional, dedicated

pedagogues and childcare assistants

Bulderby has space for 180 Kindergarteners aged 3 to 6 (160 in the Danish-language section and 20 in the International Kindergarten Group), 78 day-nursery children (up to age 3) and 8 children with autism in the special needs group.

The children are dispersed over five separate houses. Three houses have both a Kindergarten and day nursery, the fourth house is Villa Villekulla (Kindergarten only, and includes the English-speaking group), while the fifth is a special-needs centre for children with autism.

Some 60 employees are employed across the houses at Bulderby.

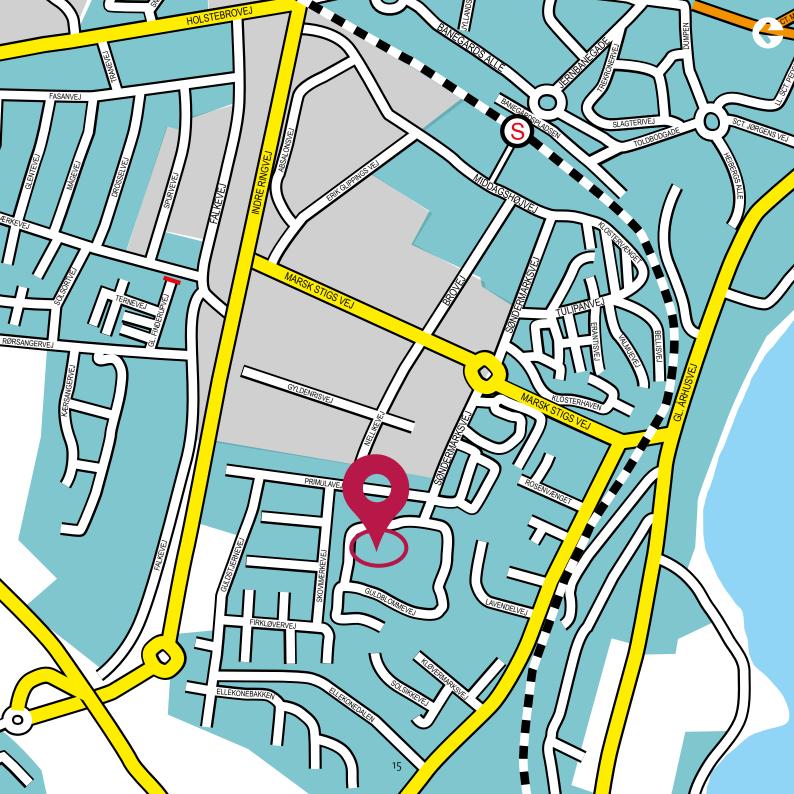
In Denmark, the pedagogues study programme takes 3.5 years, and graduates receive a bachelor's degree.

The primary task of a Danish-speaking daycare centre is to provide childcare and to support each child's development and self-esteem — in cooperation with the parents. In addition, the daycare centre supports each child's well-being and development through experience and play, enabling the child to focus, explore and learn.

Please feel welcome to visit Bulderby before enrolling your child. We organise a guided tour of our facilities for interested parents once a month. You can find the times and dates of these tours on our website:

www.bulderby.viborg.dk.

If these dates/times do not fit in with your schedule, please feel welcome to contact or phone us to arrange a visit.





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