

# **Empowering Families & Children through Innovative Childcare Solutions**

At Wee Chicks, we believe every child deserves the opportunity to grow up active, healthier, and happier.

Our award-winning social enterprise is dedicated to breaking down the barriers of childcare by offering high-quality, affordable services that support both parents and children.

Our mission is simple: to empower families, building stronger minds and brighter futures with a focus on positive mental health.

From our Pop-Up Childcare services to after-school clubs and creches, we work collaboratively with organisations, families, and communities across Northern Ireland to deliver flexible, reliable solutions that meet the unique needs of each family.

We are passionate about creating safe, nurturing environments where children can learn, play, and thrive under the care of qualified, experienced staff.





"Wee Chicks provided creche services for a project we developed with migrant women. The children were incredibly well cared for, and the team's kindness and professionalism were exceptional.

I truly believe Mary Ann McCracken would be proud."

Pop-Up: Tailored Childcare for Every Occasion



Whether it's a community event, wedding, conference, or special occasion, we bring childcare to you. Our Pop-Up Childcare service ensures that while parents enjoy their event, their children are in a fun, safe, and engaging environment.

With professional child carers and a wide range of stimulating activities, we ensure each child feels at ease and entertained.

Wee Chicks has been a pioneer in Pop-Up Childcare in Northern Ireland since 2018, giving us the experience and expertise to deliver premium services with care and professionalism. Our team takes care of everythingfrom risk assessments to health and safety requirements—so parents can relax with full confidence.

With Wee Chicks Pop-Up Childcare, children form friendships, engage in creative play, and are looked after by dedicated professionals, making every event a success for both parents and children alike.

Let us take care of the little ones, so you can focus on the big moments.

We can also offer training room hire and creche at our site in North Belfast.



"Really unique setting and environment, filled with fun. Learning life skills too we have really seen a difference in our daughter and the independence she has gained over the summer through the summer camp."



#### **Tailored Services**

We provide a range of childcare services designed to meet the diverse needs of families, ensuring flexibility, affordability, and above all, the highest quality care based on holistic and trauma informed approaches.

Whether you need after-school care, holiday camps, or creche services, we have





#### **After-School Club**

For children aged 4–12 years, our After-School Club provides a fun, safe, and engaging environment where children can thrive after the school day.

Operating from 2pm to 5.30pm during term time, with school pickups from Hazelwood IPS, Cavehill Primary, St Mary's Star of the Sea, St Therese of Lisieux Primary, Lowwood, Cliftonville, Currie, Holy Family and Bunscoil Bheann Mhadagain.

We make it easy for parents to balance work and family life.

During school holidays, we extend our hours from 8.30am to 5.30pm.

During their time with us your children will:

- Have healthy snacks provided after 3pm
- Get homework support with allocated time for study
- Participate in engaging activities focused on positive mental health, creativity, and physical play

Choose from full-time, part-time, or pay-asyou-go options to suit your schedule, knowing your children are cared for by qualified staff in a safe, welcoming space.

Our club is built on flexibility, ensuring we cater to the changing needs of your family.

### **Holiday Camps**

Our Holiday Camps run during mid-term, Easter, summer, and Halloween breaks from 9am to 3pm, with the option of early drop-off at 8.30am and late pick-up until 5.30pm (including an afternoon snack).

These camps are packed with activities that keep children active, engaged, and entertained during their school breaks. Children will enjoy a range of activities, including crafts, sports, outdoor play, and themed weeks, all designed to nurture their creativity, social skills, and physical health.



With Wee Chicks, you can trust that your children are in the best hands—whether it's after school, during the holidays, or throughout their early years.

Contact us today to find out more about our tailored childcare solutions.

#### **Creche Services**

Our Wee Chicks Creche, based in North Belfast, offers part-time and pay-asyou-go childcare for children aged 0-4 years.

Operating weekdays from 9.45am to 1pm during term time, the creche provides a nurturing, child-led environment where children can explore and develop through play. Your child will participate in a range of developmental activities, such as:

- Sensory play to stimulate early learning
- Rhyme time and story time to foster language development
- Arts & crafts to encourage creativity and fine motor skills

Our creche is staffed by experienced professionals who are Access NI checked, ensuring a safe, secure, and supportive environment for your little ones.











## **Building Stronger Minds for a Healthier Future**

At Wee Chicks, we believe in empowering families, children, and educators with the tools they need to thrive, both mentally and emotionally. Our innovative programmes are designed to nurture positive mental health and personal development, helping communities build stronger minds for a healthier future.

#### **Empowerment Programmes**

We offer a range of dynamic Empowerment Programmes that support mental health and well-being for children, parents, and educators alike. Our courses are designed to provide practical tools and strategies that foster emotional resilience, self-awareness, and personal growth. Our core programmes include:

- Child Development: Learn how to support your child's growth, recognise key milestones, and address emotional or behavioural concerns.
- Personal Development: A transformative course that helps individuals identify and overcome limiting beliefs, set achievable goals, and create a balanced, empowered life.
- Healthy Choices: Discover how to make informed, sustainable lifestyle decisions that promote overall well-being for both you and your family.

We also offer one-off sessions like Meditation and Sound Healing, designed to reduce stress, increase focus, and promote mindfulness for both adults and children.

At the heart of our work is the Wee Chicks Empowerment Project, a programme specifically developed for schools.

This initiative teaches children how to manage their emotions, develop healthy coping strategies, and cultivate a strong sense of self-awareness.

Through daily activities like Positive Tuesdays and Gratitude Thursdays, children are encouraged to express themselves and build emotional resilience in a supportive environment.



#### **Delivering Social Value**

Wee Chicks is committed to making a lasting impact on the communities we serve. As a social enterprise, we deliver much more than childcare—we provide opportunities for personal growth, mental health awareness, and community engagement.

Our work with local organisations helps create accessible childcare solutions that promote positive mental health, enabling more people to engage fully in education, work, and community life. From child development workshops to personal growth sessions, we ensure that every programme we offer has a meaningful impact on both individuals and the wider community.

We don't just deliver childcare; we deliver social value that transforms lives and empowers communities.







"WeeChicks provides an excellent summer scheme, with friendly staff, arts and crafts and outdoor activities. I was impressed with the range of trips and educational visits arranged. I appreciate the small setting and limited numbers providing a more personable feel."

**Wee Chicks parent** 





Working in collaboration with other organisations, our mission is to break down the barriers of childcare.

To empower parents and children, providing high quality, affordable childcare services with a focus on positive mental health and support.

Enabling us to build strong minds, for a healthier future!







