



Vlietkinderen has various child day care centres in Leidschendam, Voorburg and in The Hague (Leidschenveen). We nearly always work with 'vertical' groups, i.e. groups of children aged between 0 and 4. In a couple of locations, Vlietkinderen also has baby groups for the very youngest children. Come and visit, request a tour, or just pop in.

#### After-school care

It might seem a long way off, but there will come a time when your child reaches the age of 4 and goes to primary school. Then it's good to know that Vlietkinderen also has locations providing care outside of school (before, during and after school) for most primary schools in Leidschendam-Voorburg and in Leidschenveen.

Would you like to know more? Visit our website, [www.vlietkinderen.nl](http://www.vlietkinderen.nl), or contact [klantenservice@vlietkinderen.nl](mailto:klantenservice@vlietkinderen.nl) / +31 (0)70 317 59 59, where you can ask all your questions, free of obligation.

You are naturally welcome to request a tour of the facilities!

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## Expecting a baby? Congratulations!



Congratulations! When you're expecting a baby, lots of changes are in store for you and your partner. You will need to organise all sorts of things. Go to midwife appointments, decorate the baby's room, think up names, choose birth announcements and much more. But you will probably also be considering how to manage your work and arrange childcare once the baby is born. We've got some tips to help you in your search for safe and good childcare.

### Does it feel right?

How do you choose the right childcare for your baby? That's usually comes down to a feeling. Sometimes you hear friends, the neighbour, family say: "You should check that place out, because we've had such good experiences with them!" But above all, it's important to experience for yourself whether that recommended organisation/location suits your requirements.

When you walk into a day care centre, the atmosphere must appeal to you. You soon discover whether it 'feels good' by the way in which you are welcomed by the pedagogic staff.

### Security and quality

When you first visit a day care centre for an introduction and/or tour, it may not be the first thing on your mind, but security and the (pedagogic) quality of the care are obviously important aspects.

For example, ask how access to the day care centre is managed. Vlietkinderen uses 'tags', for example, a security system that only gives parents and staff access to the building.

With regard to the quality of the care, you can be assured that the care we provide is excellent. Vlietkinderen complies with all legislation and regulation in every respect. In fact, you will only really experience our pedagogic quality when you regularly bring your child to us. You can naturally read about our pedagogic approach in the brochure 'Goed toegerust op ontdekkingsreis' ('Well prepared for your journey of discovery').

And each location has its own pedagogic work plan. Ask for details!

The Vlietkinderen day care centres work with development-stimulating

programmes like Uk & Puk, Piramide and EarlyBird. The latter is an English-language programme. Our pedagogic staff are fully qualified to work with these programmes.

### Location

- Will you choose day care close to home or near your work?
- Will you choose day care in a children's centre where your child can later go to school and have after-school care?
- And, not unimportant: is it easily accessible and can you park there?

### How is the group structured?

The composition of the group can vary per group/day care centre. Obviously, the childcare is subject to legislation and regulations. In other words, there must be enough qualified staff present for a certain number of children. Do they have horizontal or vertical groups? Horizontal means organised according to age. Vertical groups include children of different ages, which is more like a family situation.

### Do you have input as a parent?

- How is parent input managed at the day care centre? How are parents/carers involved in the care?
- Is there a parents' committee and do they organise parent evenings, for example?
- How are parents informed about the care?

### Does the day care centre match your lifestyle?

- Does the day care centre work on the basis of pedagogic principles and do you agree with them?
- Do you agree with the daily routine followed in the groups?
- What is the attitude of the day care centre to food?
- And how does it manage ill children?
- Do the opening hours suit your working hours?

Ask these questions – this is important information for you!

