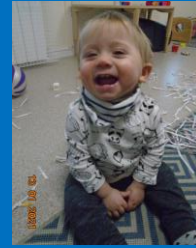


Welcome to the Baby Room

The baby room is a calm and relaxed environment where most children will begin their nursery life. We care for up to nine babies, looked after by three qualified members of staff. When your baby starts at nursery they will be assigned a Key Person from within the baby room who will help your child settle.



At times, other staff members might be required to work alongside the baby room staff and this has the benefit of enabling your child to become familiar with other staff working within the nursery.

Our Nursery Day

The baby room maintains a flexible routine which will be individual to each child, working with you to maintain your child's routine from home. Information from an "All About Me" form, which you will be asked to fill in, and regular conversations between you and your Key Person, enable this to happen.

Cots or pushchairs are assigned to each child, and they will have individual clean bedding, to ensure your child has a comfortable space to relax and sleep. We try to make the sleep area as dark and quiet as possible, but due to all the exciting activities on offer, it will not be as quiet as it might be at home! To help your child sleep easier at nursery, you could help them to get used to sleeping through a little noise, for example having the radio on quietly whilst your child naps at home, in the weeks leading up to them starting nursery.

Snacks, lunch and milk, including formula milk, are included in your nursery fees and mealtimes are a very sociable time in the baby room. At around 9.30 am the babies sit down for a snack of wholemeal toast and fruit followed by a healthy balanced lunch at approximately 11.30 – 11.45 am. The nursery menus can be found displayed on the front door. Dietary requirements are catered for, and we work closely with you to determine if your child would like their meal blended or finely chopped as they begin to wean. A snack is provided again at around 3.15 pm which could include crackers, fresh fruit or vegetables, breadsticks, or wholemeal toast. Fresh boiled water or milk is offered to babies at nursery.



Outdoor shoes are not worn in the baby room to ensure high levels of cleanliness and we ask that you remove your shoes before entering or use the blue shoe covers provided. Babies are invited to bring a pair of named slippers in to wear as they begin to become more mobile or indoor soft shoes (these can be found on the internet more commonly known as Dotty fish).

'Dayshare' is an electronic system we use to keep you informed regarding your child's individual day, including information detailing what they have eaten, when they have slept, had their nappy changed, and any activities they were involved in. You will also receive regular photographs. If you wish to inform us of any relevant information so that we can be sensitive to your baby's daily needs, please do not hesitate to email us. We appreciate how time is limited at drop off or collection to have detailed conversations.

We ensure that the Baby Room has a friendly and homely atmosphere, and the babies receive high quality interactions and one-to-one attention.

In addition to quiet times there is time and space for your child to access a variety of stimulating resources and activities, to develop their prime area skills which are: Personal, social and Emotional, Communication and Language and Physical Development.



Activities and Play Opportunities

'Messy play' activities such as sand, water, paint, pasta or porridge oat play, enable your child to explore texture, smell, weight and encourage social skills as equipment is shared. These activities are often accessed alongside natural resources organised into treasure baskets. Heuristic play are items of natural materials organised together, enabling your child to explore real objects they would not normally access. Examples of these are objects are smooth wooden off-cuts, natural sponges, brushes, large stones, shells, and metal equipment such as spoons, whisks and sieves. This type of play material does not have a 'correct' way of use, enabling your child to experience endless open-ended possibilities of play.

Specially designed 'Toddle Boxes' provide opportunities to climb, crawl, cruise and rock or just allow a personal space to sit in and observe.

We use sign language (BSL) gestures to communicate with the babies during our daily routine, such as nappy, milk, food, bottle, and water. We also plan structured activities for example 'Sing and Signing' sessions.

Out and About

The garden area is accessed frequently and is used as an extension to your child's home base, enabling activities to be undertaken within a different atmosphere. For example, musical instruments played indoors sound very differently when played in the space outdoors. As the garden is accessed in all weathers, we ask that you provide a named coat, hats and gloves in the winter and a named sunhat as the weather warms up.



Personal Belongings

Each child is provided with a named peg and nursery bag in which to store their belongings and we ask that you provide nappies for your child.

Please do not hesitate to ask any questions. We look forward to welcoming you as your child begins their journey in the baby room.

Davison Day Nursery Polo Shirt Order Form

Nursery polo shirts are available to purchase at a cost of
£6.50 each or 2 for £12
size 3/4yrs or 5yrs



Please complete the order form below:

Name of child: _____

I would like to purchase _____ (please state quantity of polo shirts required)

I require size _____ (please state 3-4years or 5 years)

I enclose £ _____