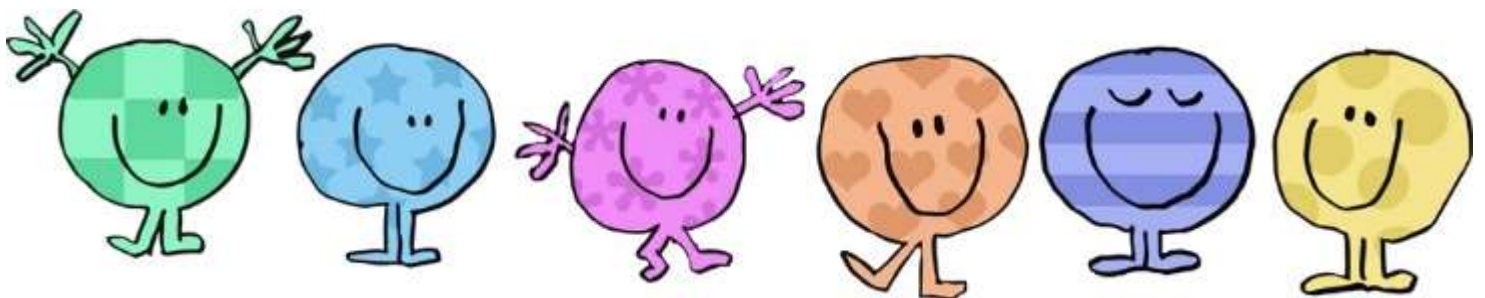


HOLYROOD NURSERIES

Astley





Our Nursery

Holyrood Nursery Astley is an all-inclusive nursery and out of school care club situated just beyond Black Moor Village. We provide childcare for children from 6 weeks to 5 years of age and also offer out of school care for children aged 4-11 years old. Our property is a stunning detached house with over an acre of land. We have been extended and refurbished retaining the original features and character of the house, whilst creating a bright and attractive environment with abundant space for learning. We also have our own car park, providing easy drop off and collection for you and your family.



Our Childcare Approach



Holyrood Astley provides stimulating and inspiring childcare aiming to encourage the development of children through play, interaction, creativity, physical activity and through a warm and nurturing environment.

We are passionate about quality Early Years Care and Education and recognise the importance of each child's self-development. We believe that children learn through play, example, interaction and teaching. These four concepts form the core of our ethos and we strive to expand your child's development through these methods.

We help every child in every aspect of their growth and achieve this through praise, guidance and encouragement. Children will develop manners, learn to be kind, share, and respect others, as well as being stimulated creatively and mentally through our child-led activities. Our child-led activities allow our children to flourish into independent and confident individuals. Above all, we strive to provide a secure and friendly environment which will make you completely relaxed and at ease when leaving your child.

Our Aims and Objectives



To provide a safe and stimulating atmosphere to encourage each child's development.



To develop every child's healthy self-image through play, guidance, support and encouragement.



To encourage children to develop respect, learn to share, learn to be kind to others and develop good manners.



To encourage children's interest in learning through promoting their desire to learn and experiment in an active learning environment.



To work in partnership with parents. To update parents regularly with information about their child's development and the nursery, through newsletters, parents evenings, focus groups and E-Learning Journals.



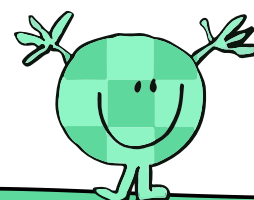
To constantly train our staff through our partnership training company, BNG Training, and through local authority courses, aiming to increase and extend the skills and knowledge our staff currently possess.



To continue to liaise with local schools and members of the local community, allowing us to share good practice.



To continue to monitor, self-evaluate and improve our service to ensure our children and parents are getting the highest quality standard of care.



Settling in procedure

Your child will be settled into our nursery gradually to ensure that every member of your family is happy with the choice you have made. First, they will spend one hour in our nursery, building up to a half-day session and then staying for lunch.



This phasing in allows your child to become familiar with our nursery surroundings and staff. These settling in sessions usually last a week, but this is dependent on each individual child. We understand that every child is different and our aim is to make these sessions as flexible and comforting as possible to guarantee that both you and your child are comfortable. Parent visits are encouraged whilst your child is gradually settled into the nursery.

Starting at nursery

We provide complimentary Settling In Sessions which gives you and your child time to become familiar with our nursery. Once your child starts with us they will be assigned a designated key person. Your child's key person will be responsible for monitoring your child's development and will be your first point of contact at nursery. Your child's key person will always be available to discuss your child's progress.



“Lovely, friendly nursery in a great location. Staff went above and beyond to settle my little boy into the nursery routine and now he happily waves me off every morning. Great facilities indoors with décor that seeks to bring a touch of the outdoors inside. Huge outdoor space for playing, learning and exploring. Overall, happy baby, happy mummy!”

– Holyrood Astley, Parent

Our Rooms

Playrooms within our nursery are generously proportioned, carefully planned and extensively resourced to create inspiring learning environments in which children can grow and learn with confidence. Each playroom has access to outdoor play areas offering the opportunity for regular outdoor learning across all areas of the curriculum.



Baby Room

Our Baby Room is registered for up to 15 children from 6 weeks to 18 months old. We have highly experienced staff whose priorities are to follow the home routine of each baby as closely as possible. Wipes, nappies and formula are included in our fees. Our baby room is a comforting, spacious play area with a quiet and secure sleeping area, where our babies sleep in cots and on sleeping mats. We also have a separate space for our non-mobile babies. Our staff take babies out for fresh air every day and we even have several sheltered areas in our garden so that our children have access to the outdoors in all weather conditions. We provide a variety of stimulating activities in order to promote your baby's all-round development with a focus on personal, social and emotional development as well as physical development and communication and language.



We are a breast feeding friendly nursery, with staff trained in breast milk storage. We encourage and welcome you to visit during the day to feed your child.

Daily diaries are provided to inform parents about meals, sleep times and any achievements and activities that have taken place that day. Each baby will have their own learning journal which will stay with them until they move onto the next room where they will begin a new learning journal.

Room Ratios

Age	Babies	Toddlers	Pre-School
Staff Ratio	1:3	1:4	1:8

*Minimum number of staff to number of children – in accordance with Ofsted regulations.

Toddler Room

Children move to our Toddler Room at around 12-14 months of age. Our Toddler Room focuses on independent learning and self-care skills. We begin to adopt a more challenging and varied approach to the day. Your child will be introduced to activities such as painting, sand modelling and water play. There will also be a more prominent focus on physical and creative activities, giving children the scope to explore what they want and help them to develop skills and individuality. An extensive range of quality resources and activities are provided for the continuing development of your child. Along with the above mentioned all-inclusive spacious play area that allows for sleeping, we employ a huge emphasis on outdoor play and our impressive gardens encourage exploration and adventure.

As with our babies, all our children have access to the outdoors as much as possible and daily diaries are kept to provide parents with information about meals, sleep times and achievements and activities to ensure that you are kept up-to-date with exactly what your child is up to throughout the day!

Pre-School 1 & Pre-School 2 Rooms

After our Toddler Room, your child would move into our Pre-School 1 Room. This should happen when your child is approximately 24-30 months old. We will discuss any transition process with you before any room changes occur. At around 3 and half years old your little one would then look to be progressed into our Pre-School 2 Room, ready to make the transition into their reception year at 'big school'!



Our nursery is recognised as a pre-school centre by the Education Department. In this room children have a wide choice of learning opportunities including arts and crafts, construction activities and table top games!

At Holyrood Astley we pride ourselves on ensuring that when your child leaves our nursery to move on to primary school they do so confidently and independently whilst taking with them a love of learning and pride in their achievements. We would strive for your child to have the following skills when leaving nursery: recognising and writing their own name, demonstrating good observational skills, showing preliminary reading skills, being able to confidently control a pencil, show creative skills and have a knowledge of numbers. Aside from these academic skills, first and foremost we believe that all children should be given opportunities to be imaginative, have confidence to voice their opinions and form relationships with their peers.



Outdoor Play



We love to get outside at Holyrood Astley! Our extensive outdoor area is comprised of several very exciting spaces that promote children's natural desire to explore, investigate and take risks under the supervision of skillful practitioners. Inspirational features that add to the interest of the garden include; a tree house, a gravel pit, an allotment, a bug hotel, a pond, a fire pit, an outdoor classroom and a bird watching hut. We even encourage our children to help grow their own veggies in our vegetable patch whenever possible!

In an era where technology and screens are so prominent, we felt it vital to create a space that enticed children, stimulating their imagination and senses simply by physically interacting with it. We believe 'keeping it natural' provides children with opportunities to observe how the earth changes with the seasons and in turn, presents them with different ways and opportunities to discover, test and achieve.

The garden provides opportunities for children of all ages and abilities to physically challenge themselves. A small hill, steps, split level areas and stepping stones allow children to test their ability to climb, balance and jump at a level that they feel safe.

With plans in motion to become a forest school, much of the Pre-School children's play and learning takes place in our outdoor area. We provide our pre-school children with a secure and safe area to explore to their heart's content. By providing access to such a wonderful nature area, we feel that we are offering our children the opportunity to engage with the rich natural diversity of the natural outdoor environment whilst helping to build confidence, sensitivity, resilience and curiosity.



Our Team

The Holyrood nursery staff team comprises of a blend of mature, experienced and professionally qualified nursery practitioners and trainees working towards their qualifications. All of our staff are skilled in expertly guiding your child through the wonders of learning whilst playing. Our staff are dedicated to treating your child with patience, affection, enthusiasm and understanding. All staff participate in ongoing training to constantly progress their own skills and abilities.

Our Manager – Amy Devine

“With a professional qualification in childcare and over 18 years of experience working with children of all ages I manage my nursery and staff team to ensure we provide a secure family environment where you can feel relaxed and confident in the knowledge that your child is being cared for by dedicated staff in a safe environment.”



Keeping in Touch

In recognition that education begins in the home, we are fully committed to a partnership approach with parents. The needs of each child are discussed in full, prior to admission and on an ongoing basis.

We are keen to keep parents as involved as possible during their child's time in nursery. Each day's activities are tracked to ensure that parents are encouraged to discuss their child's day with their key worker and individual records are available at all times for parents.

As a whole, we are committed to ensuring that our communication with parents is consistent and thorough. We arrange parent's evenings at the end of every term, allowing for parents and staff members to voice any concerns and assess each child's development.



Our Menu

Our nutritionally balanced menus ensure our children are raring to go every day! Children are offered a range of delicious, nutritious meals and snacks. Our wholesome and nourishing menus are expertly designed to give your little one the very best start in life.



The meals we provide are all home-cooked within our nursery by our experienced, on site nursery chef. Our chef has carefully created a 4 week rolling menu, which has been approved by the Starting Life Well team, and ensures a healthy well balanced diet for all children. Whenever possible we try to source all our food locally and organically, including seasonal vegetables and fruit. We believe that providing our children with nutritional food which is bursting with fresh fruit and veg, is a necessity in each child's physical and mental well-being.

All of our delicious food is included within our fees! We offer breakfast, lunch, dinner and 2 snacks everyday!

Dietary Requirements

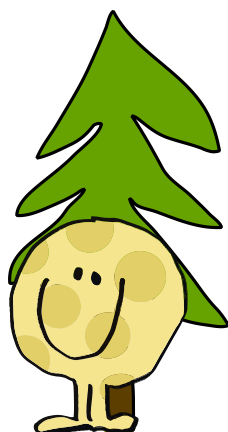
Our menus change every 4 weeks, in line with the availability of seasonal produce. We have a flexible approach and are happy to cater for a range of special dietary, medical, religious or cultural requirements.

Any formula milk, brought in for babies, will be made up by our staff members in accordance with current guidelines. These will be made up as required and stored safely in accordance with manufacturer's suggestions. Our staff have all been fully trained in Food Hygiene and are passionate about teaching children the importance of good hygiene too. We promote washing hands before and after meals and snacks and encourage children to help serve their own food and clean their teeth after meals.

Above all, we believe that meal times should be a happy, relaxed time where children learn social skills, manners, good hygiene practise and healthy eating habits to last them a lifetime.



Environmental Commitment



We are committed to being an environmentally friendly nursery, making changes wherever we can in order to make the world a cleaner place! We are an ECO-Nursery and are committed to teaching our children about their environment and the effect we have on it in our day to day lives. Our children are passionate recyclers and love nothing more than an afternoon caring for their garden. We always consider environmental implication when planning activities for our children. We will continue in our green approach to develop strong environmental awareness within our children, helping their little green fingers to care for the world for many years!

Awards & Accolades

Our passionate commitment to being a leading independent provider of Early Years Care and Education, has led us to being the proud recipients of many impressive awards, including:

- Recognised Investors in Young People Organisation
- NDNA Member (National Day Nurseries Association)
- Equal Opportunities Employer Award
- NHS Menu Accreditations
- Breast Feeding Friendly
- 4* Food Hygiene Award
- Day Nurseries Recommended
- Healthy Setting Award
- Healthy Business Award
- Nursery Chain of the Year 2013 – Nursery World Award



“The staff are always lovely and friendly, they can’t do enough to help. The outdoor space is fantastic. My little boy loves going here. There is always lots going on and plenty of baking and art work brought home.”

– Holyrood Astley Parent

Sessions & Fees

Our nursery is open from 7.30am - 6pm and cares for children from 6 weeks to 5 years of age. Full/Part time sessions available and 2 year old and pre-school funding is available if eligible. Please contact us for Information regarding our competitive fees.

Morning Session	07:30 – 12:30
Afternoon Session	13:00 – 18:00
Full Day	07:30 – 18:00
Full Week	Monday - Friday

What's Included?

- Quality Early Years Care and Education
- Quality resources and equipment
- Freshly made, healthy meals and snacks
- Nappies, wipes, cow's milk & formula
- Celebration of festivals throughout the year
- Regular outings in the local area
- Graduation ceremony when ready to move on to primary school
- Nursery animals
- Annual Christmas event
- Parents evenings
- Staff trained in sign language

Extras & Discounts

- 5 - 10% sibling discount*
- 10% NHS discount*
- Techer Discount* - half price fees during holidays
- 2 year old and pre-school funding available*
- We accept all forms of childcare vouchers



**Terms & Conditions apply*



Before & After School Club

As well as being an Early Years Nursery, we also provide a Before and After School Club for children who attend St Ambrose Barlow Primary and St Stephens Primary School. Our After School Club takes children who are between the ages of 4 and 11 years old. We provide a pick-up and drop off service from both of these schools. Our 'Breakfast Club' or Before School Care runs from 7:30 - 9am and our After School Club runs from 3:15 - 6pm and children who attend receive dinner and snacks, prepared by our on-site chef. If you would like any more information regarding our Before and After School Club or would like to book a place please contact our nursery manager.

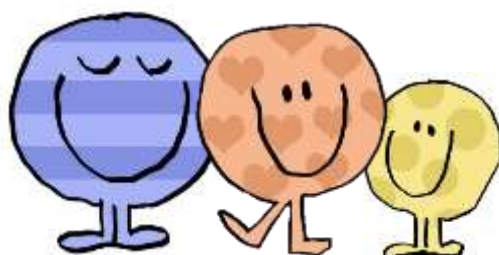


Holiday Club

Our Holiday Club runs during every school holiday, and we invite children from any and all schools to attend! We can care for children from 4 to 11 years of age. We have an on-site chef who provides our Holiday Club children with meals and snacks throughout the day. During our Holiday Club we offer various activities for the children to take part in. We often take the children on various outings too, such as trips to the museum or cinema. We also love going for picnics and woodland walks! If you would like more information regarding our Holiday Club please contact our nursery manager.

Out of School Care Sessions

Before School Club	7:30 – 9am
After School Club	3:15 – 6pm
Holiday Club Half Day	7.30am – 12.30pm / 1 – 6pm
Holiday Club Full Day	7:30am – 6pm
Holiday Club Full Week	Mon – Fri



Social Media

We use social media to keep our parents up to date with upcoming events and offers available. We also believe it is a great and convenient way for us to receive your feedback and suggestions.

- [Facebook.com/HolyroodNurseries](https://www.facebook.com/HolyroodNurseries)
- [Twitter.com/HolyroodAstley](https://twitter.com/HolyroodAstley)
- www.holyrood-nursery-astley.co.uk

Ofsted

We are regulated by Ofsted and Environmental Health Services to help us maintain the highest possible standards within the nursery. Should you wish to have any further information please do not hesitate to contact them on 0300 123 1231.

We are proud of our regulatory reports and these are available for you to view within our nursery and on our website.



Visit Us!

If you haven't already done so, we recommend you come for a unique viewing of our nursery to see all of our fantastic facilities for yourself! We can arrange a personal showround during any weekday, and will be as flexible as we can to fit around your family's needs. Alternatively, we do have an open door policy, so if you are in the area please feel free to drop in and say hello! Our staff team are always happy to show off our nursery and answer any questions you may have.

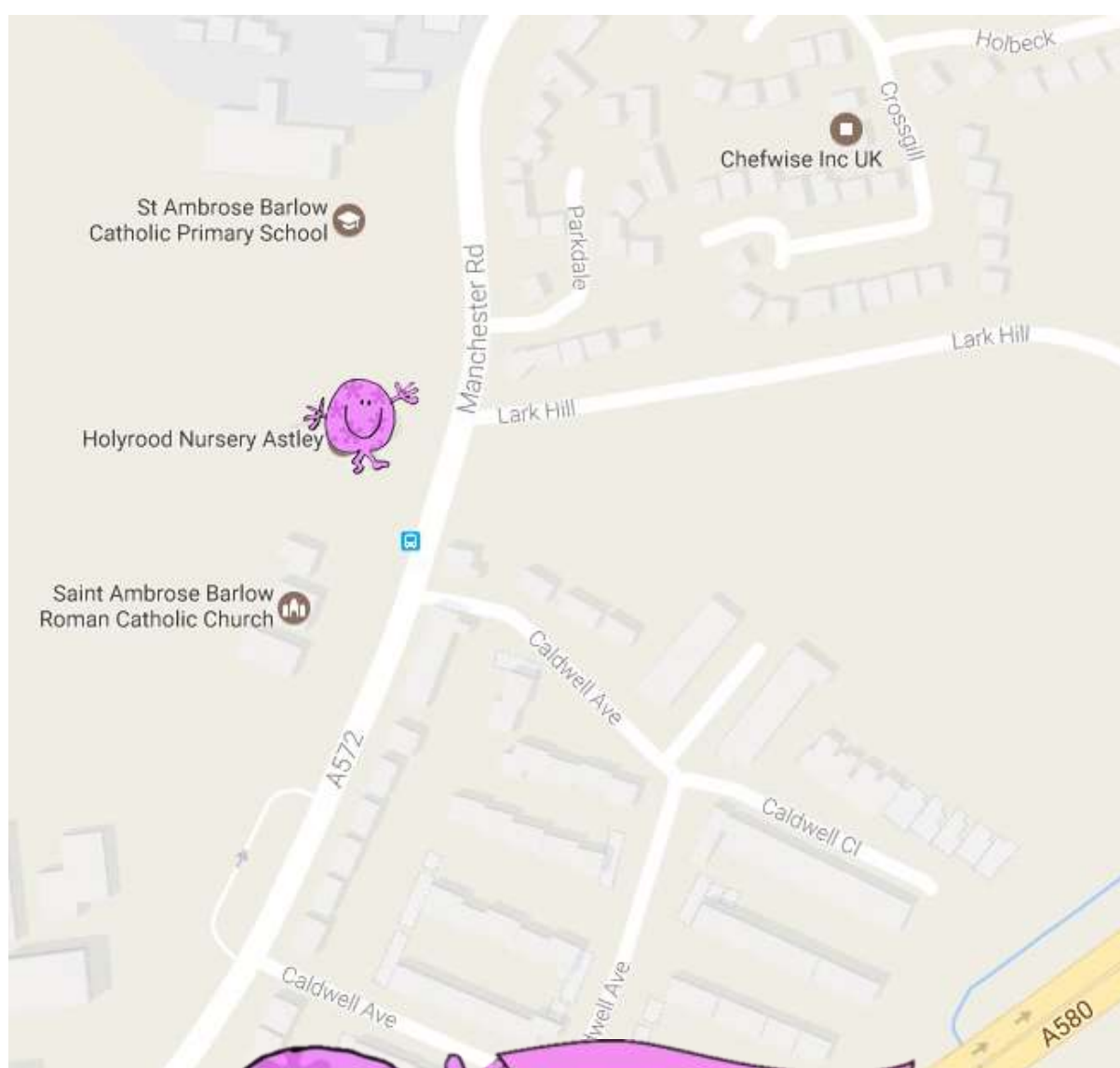
If you would like to book your nursery visit or require more information please contact us on 01942 897 739 (select option 2) or email HolyroodNurseries@bertramuk.com



Directions & Maps

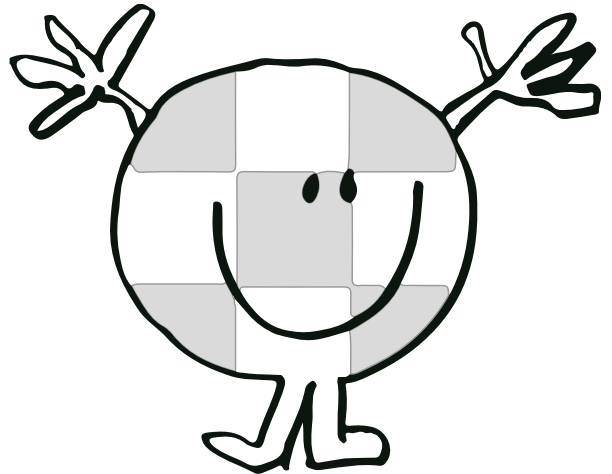
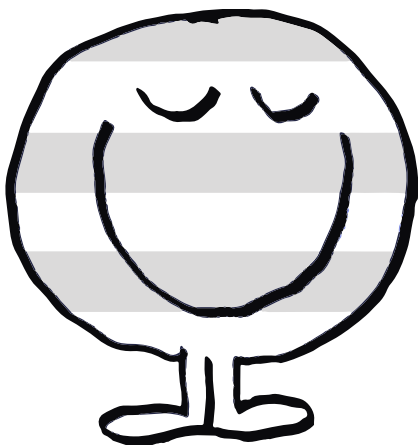
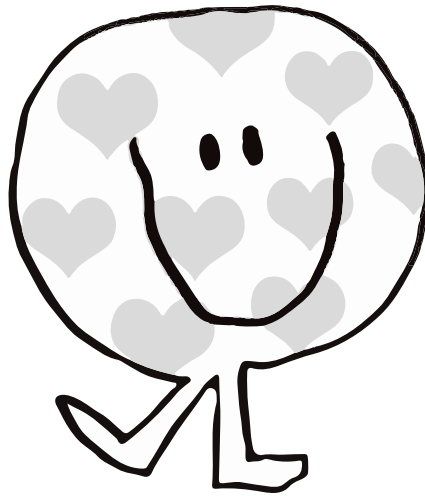
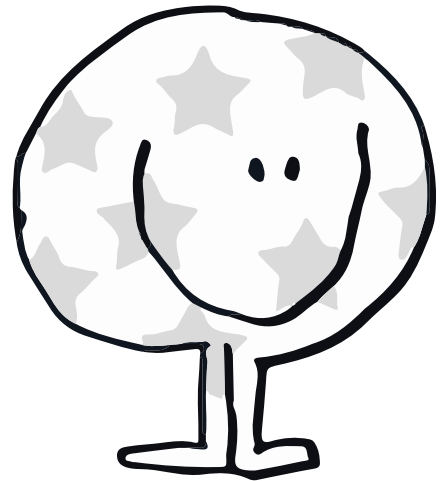
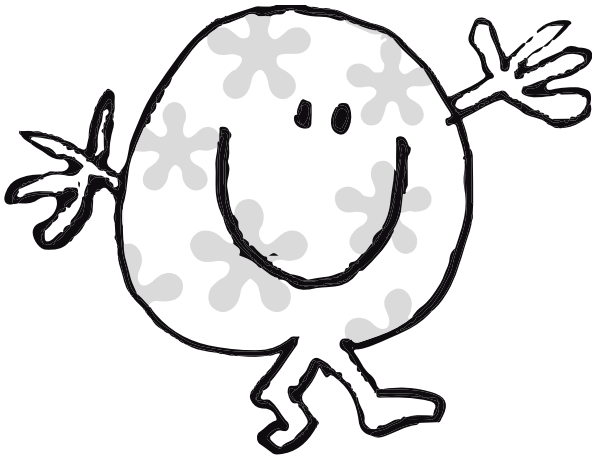
Our nursery is situated in Lark Hill House, 320 Manchester Road, M29 7DY. You can find us in between St Ambrose Barlow and St Mary's High School, just beyond Black Moor Village.

Please recognise that if you are using a Sat-Nav to find us you may have 'reached your destination' just before our nursery. If this happens, please keep driving for approximately 1 minute then take a sharp right. Please feel free to contact us by phone if you have further problems finding our nursery and one of our friendly members of staff will gladly give you directions!



Colour and Fun Time

Oh no! Our friends have lost their colour. If you can manage, search this brochure to find out what colour they should be and colour them back in. Otherwise just colour them whatever colour you like.





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