



Mrs Riley and Mrs Bowler would like to welcome you to the Nursery Rhyme Room - our 2 year old provision at Howitt Primary Community School.



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Welcome to our 2 year old provision at Howitt Primary Community School. In the Rhyme room, we believe in giving all the children the best possible start to their school life. Essentially, this is done by providing a safe, happy and friendly environment for the children.

We currently have spaces available for 2 year olds in our morning sessions and afternoon sessions.

Mornings - 8.45 - 11.45
Afternoons - 12.15 - 3.15

Flexible paid and funded sessions available.

To check if you are eligible for free 15 hours and apply visit

<http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/freechildcare>
text Child to 86555 and get a call back
call 01629 539316, 01629 539319 or 01629 539319 (9am to 5pm weekdays)

If you wish to book a visit or require any more information please phone Nicola Gregg Early Years Co-ordinator or Debbie Walker on 01773 713217



We know that children learn most effectively through play. Our dedicated staff create an environment in which purposeful play and learning can take place. Our role is to observe, interact, enable and extend the children's play in order that they gradually come to understand the world around them.



How can I help prepare my child for Nursery?

It is a big step to move to nursery and for some children it may be the first time they have spent time away from home. Here at

Howitt Nursery we pride ourselves in building trusting relationships with you and your children. The most simple, helpful experiences that you can provide are; providing simple and stable routines, asking your child to help with jobs around the home, experiencing the outdoors, like visiting your local park, encouraging your child to talk about their experiences and sharing a story or singing songs. All of these activities will assist your child's learning journey.



If your child is showing an interest in being toilet trained we will support this process with you. If they are not yet showing an interest the nursery has facilities for nappy changing.

It is an exciting step for your child to start nursery and we look forward to meeting you



2 Year Check

During your child's time in the Rhyme Room the staff will carry out the 2 Year Progress Check. The two-year progress check is an opportunity for parents, guardians, carers and professionals to come together and collaboratively review where a child is on their learning journey. It identifies their strengths, interests, and any further support or intervention required.

The progress check at age two aims to:

- review a child's development,
- celebrate areas where the child is making good progress,
- identify any areas of concern or where progress is not as expected, so that parents, practitioners and other professionals such as speech and language therapists, physiotherapists or dieticians can put appropriate support in place,
- help parents to understand their child's needs and enhance their child's development at home,
- invite parents to share their unique knowledge about their child, family and culture.

Both the setting and the family benefit from sharing information and resources. As practitioners, we can deepen our understanding of children's lives, families and communities and use this understanding to celebrate diversity through the resources and play activities we offer.



School Uniform

Nursery uniform is not compulsory but is recommended. It helps the children 'fit in' to the wider school community and saves your child's own clothes from Nursery wear and tear!

The children may also get dirty as they are playing and exploring in nursery – you may want to provide wellies, a puddle suit and an older coat.

Our school uniform is:
a blue polo shirt
grey/black skirt or trousers
navy cardigan or school sweatshirt

Please remember to label all items of clothing!

For more information about the nursery please visit our nursery website page
<https://www.howittprimary.org.uk/nursery/>

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