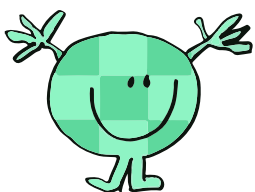


# HAPPITOTS

Baillieston



# Welcome to Happitots Nursery Baillieston!



## Our Nursery

Happitots Baillieston is a well-established and trusted nursery in the Swinton area of Baillieston. With a reputation for providing high quality childcare our nursery commits to creating a home away from home atmosphere for children and parents to feel comfortable and confident in our setting. We provide childcare for children from 6 weeks to 5 years of age.

Our nursery is housed in a stunning detached stone villa with a separate purpose built unit for our babies. We are conveniently located in close proximity to the motorway network and many public transport services are available near us, making us the perfect option for commuters. We are open throughout the year from 8am– 6pm and offer full time and part time sessions. We also work in partnership with Glasgow City Council to provide 3-5 year old partial funding to eligible families.

## Our Childcare Approach

Happitots Baillieston 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.



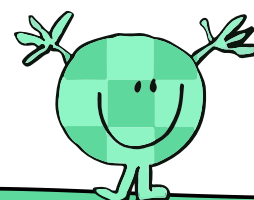
To constantly train our staff through our partnership training company, BNG Training, and through local authority courses, aiming to increase and extend the skills and knowledge our staff currently possess.



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. Our staff know the importance of these sessions as they each work closely with parents to aid your child into nursery as seamlessly as possible. Our settling in sessions will last as long as your little one requires. 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 happy. 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.





## 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. Here at Happitots Baillieston we pride ourselves on being a child-led setting, allowing the children to think for themselves. We find this approach is beneficial in forming confident, independent little ones who understand that every action has a consequence. Children in any of our rooms will not progress into their next room until after we have had a discussion with yourself.

### Baby Room (6 weeks - 18 months)



Our purpose built baby unit provides quality care to children between the ages of 6 weeks - 18 months. We have highly experienced staff whose priorities are to follow the home routine of each baby as closely as possible. 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. Our staff take babies out for fresh air every day and our babies benefit from their separate outdoor area which is filled with age-appropriate resources. In our babies outdoor and indoor facilities we provide a variety of stimulating activities in order to promote your baby's all-round development including sensory play and motor skills.

We ask parents to supply their own nappies, wipes and milk to ensure continuity between home and nursery for all babies. 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.



### Room Ratios

Age	Babies	Toddlers	Pre-School
Staff Ratio	1:3	1:5	1:8

\*Minimum number of staff to number of children – in accordance with current Care Inspectorate regulations.



## Toddler Room (2-3 years)



In our Toddler Room we begin to adopt a more challenging and varied approach to the day. Children will be introduced to activities such as painting, sand modelling and water play. We continue to focus on sensory and heuristic play in this room. 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.

As with all our rooms, all our children have access to the outdoors as much as possible and daily updates 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 Room (3-5 years)



After our Toddler Room, your child would move into our Pre School Room, ready to make the transition into 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, table top games, Spanish lessons and swimming lessons!

At Happitots Baillieston 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.

## Outdoor Play



We love to get outside at Happitots Baillieston! We have separate and secure gardens designed and appropriately equipped for each age group.

As well as access to our fabulous outdoor play areas, children of all ages enjoy regular walks in the local area. Our youngest children are often seen out in our double buggies enjoying the fresh air, sights and sounds of the local community. We use Walkodile Child Safety Systems and high visibility vests to keep children safe when out on trips away from the nursery.

## Our Team

Our staff team comprises of a blend of mature, experienced and professionally qualified nursery practitioners and trainees working towards their qualifications. All 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 – Wilma McFarlane

Wilma has over 30 years of experience in childcare. Having so much experience, Wilma brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to her nursery. She manages her nursery and staff team to ensure her nursery provides 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.





## 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 the nursery by our experienced, on site nursery chef. Our chef has carefully created a 3 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. Our children even help by planting and growing their own produce in our outdoor play area! We believe that by providing our children with nutritional food, bursting with fresh fruit and vegetables, 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, and an afternoon snack everyday!

## Dietary Requirements

Our menus are changed every 3 weeks, in line with the availability of seasonal produce. Above all, we have a flexible approach and are happy to cater for a range of special dietary, medical, religious or cultural requirements.

We ask our parents to bring in baby food and milk for babies, 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 a registered ECO-Nursery and are committed to teach 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, providing quality standards 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)
- Scottish Qualifications Association Accreditation
- Eco-School Award – Silver
- Breast Feeding Welcome Award
- Day Nurseries Recommended
- NHS Menu Accreditations
- NMT Manager of the Year Award, 2008
- NMT Nursery Team of the Year Award, 2009
- Nursery Chain of the Year Award – Nursery World Awards, 2013
- Smile Too Dental Scheme



“My little girl loves this nursery and has come on leaps and bounds since going. She only goes twice a week but she always seems to have fun and I have noticed a vast improvement in her speech, motor skills and confidence, which I believe is in part due to her attending this nursery. The staff are very caring towards the kids and clearly have a great bond with them all, which is reassuring to know that your child is in safe hands. Would highly recommend this nursery and will continue to keep my little girl here until she starts school!” – **Kirsty, Happitots Baillieston Parent**

## Sessions & Fees

Our nursery is open from 8am - 6pm and cares for children from 6 weeks to 5 years of age. Full/Part time sessions available and partial 3-5 year old funding is available if eligible. Please contact us for information regarding our competitive fees.

Morning Session	8am – 1pm
Afternoon Session	1pm – 6pm
Full Day	8am - 6pm
Full Week	Monday - Friday

## What's Included?

- Quality Early Years Care and Education
- Quality resources and equipment
- Freshly made, healthy snacks
- Celebration of festivals throughout the year
- Regular outings in the local area
- Graduation ceremony when ready to move on to primary school
- E-Learning Journals & Tablets
- Nursery Teacher
- Monthly Newsletters, Parent's Evenings & Focus Groups
- Song & Dance Factory
- Spanish lessons
- Swimming lessons

## Extras & Discounts

- 5 - 10% sibling discount\*
- 10% NHS discount\*
- 10% Emergency Service staff discount\*
- 3-5 year old funding available\*
- Football coaching\*
- Nursery Uniform\* (not compulsory)
- We accept all forms of childcare vouchers



*\*Terms & Conditions apply*

## 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/HappitotsBaillieston](https://www.facebook.com/HappitotsBaillieston)
- [@HappitotsB](https://twitter.com/HappitotsB)
- [www.happitots-nursery-baillieston.co.uk](http://www.happitots-nursery-baillieston.co.uk)

## Care Inspectorate

We are regulated by The Care Inspectorate and by Environmental Health Services to help us maintain the highest possible standards within our nursery. Should you wish for any further information please do not hesitate to contact them on 0845 600 9527.

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 0141 771 2836 (select option 2) or email [HappitotsNurseries@bertramuk.com](mailto:HappitotsNurseries@bertramuk.com)





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