

## **1.6 BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO BERTIE'S NURSERY**

Bertie's is an inspiring, caring day Nursery which provides a wealth of opportunities and acres of green space for children aged from 6 months to school age.

Bertie's first opened in January 2018. It has evolved into a happy community where children, families and practitioners enjoy the extensive learning environments. Our provision, both inside and outside, demonstrates our commitment to developing every aspect of a child's learning through experiencing enjoyable and varied activities; linked to the child's own interests, in nature and in our local community.

Bertie's Nursery provides a rich, diverse programme based on the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum led by highly motivated and experienced Key Carers. Our Pre-school room is led by a qualified Early Years Teacher.

Our setting is unique: Bertie's is situated in the beautiful, rural parkland of the former Tyntesfield Estate, in the grounds of The Downs Preparatory School. With gardens, forests and carefully designed all-weather outdoor play spaces, our excellent outdoor facilities mean there is always something new to discover, explore, create and learn. A nearby farm, woodland and the facilities at the Downs Preparatory School enrich our learning environment.

Indoors, our four nursery rooms are thoughtfully designed to encourage your child's curiosity, creativity, communication skills and natural passion for learning at each stage of their development. At the heart of Bertie's ethos is our commitment to the development of each individual child in a warm and stimulating environment. We encourage individuality and kindness, we want our children to 'learn through laughter' to be happy, confident and resilient.

Play is at the heart of everything we do. Through purposeful play children develop the social, emotional and physical skills they need to thrive, they can create adventures, challenge themselves and empathise with others. Our team of experienced Key Carers and teachers, ensure that every child is cared for and supported in their own personal development in the EYFS curriculum, responding to their individual needs and interests.

At Bertie's we value working with our parents so we can engage with each family in the development of each child. Our Key Carer system enables staff to build excellent relationships with their key children and their families, resulting in children feeling happy and secure and parents feeling confident and reassured. In order to give parents further insight into their child's experience at nursery, we use an online system called Parent zone which enables parents to access photos, observations and information about their child's care, learning and development.

If you would like further information please visit: [www.bertiesnursery.com](http://www.bertiesnursery.com)

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