

Ascott-under-Wychwood Preschool

The Preschool in Ascott currently has 32 children in total between the ages of two-and-a-half to five, and is held in the bright, modern surroundings of the Tiddy Hall on Shipton Road, Monday to Thursday mornings. The supervisor is Pauline Plant (a qualified teacher) who is supported by three full-time members of staff and additional mother-helpers, giving a very high ratio of adults to children. They have been gradually investing in more and more equipment (thanks to an active fund-raising committee) and have a good range of toys, dressing-up clothes, craft materials and construction equipment, as well as a computer with preschool software and a good selection of books.

Sessions are carefully planned to include art and craft activities, storytime, singing and dance, as well as cooking and occasional excursions such as walking in bluebell woods (May) and an outing on the train to Moreton-in-Marsh (July). It plays an active part in the community and recently held its annual barbecue and sports day event at College Farm in Ascott, which was a very successful and enjoyable day out for families, relatives and friends of the preschool children (with events such as sheep-racing, pony-riding, a jousting roller-horse and various stalls, raffles and games) and raised valuable extra funds.

The Preschool was recently Ofsted inspected and was pleased to receive an excellent report, which will be available on request to prospective parents.

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