

Disability Discrimination Act

Site assessment at

Tops Day Nursery, Royal Bournemouth Hospital

This nursery is on two floors with access to the main office and ground floor playrooms directly from the heart club car park by slope access to the wide doors. All other access to the nursery can be obtained through several other fire exits around the building (all of these have steps up to them however a slope can be requested if needed). Only the main front door may be opened by the public by a pin code as the others are normally locked for security, this will only allow you access to the main entrance. If you are unable to open the front door or it is locked please ring the bell for assistance.

The garden is accessible from the downstairs playrooms and back out of the main entrance down two lower level steps. Most of the garden surface is all weather and smooth so accommodates wheels easily, the other area (bark area) has a small wooden framing which a child/wheelchair etc can be lifted over.

The toilet on the ground floor is accessible by wheelchair users and has appropriate handles for wheelchair users. The main stairs to the top floor are double breasted and have deep steps as well, with a lower rail for younger children to hold and with two right angles bend towards the top. If alternative means of access/assistance is needed to get upstairs, this can be discussed with the parents/carers when applicable. Only staffs have access to the playrooms as on each floor there is high level electronic press button code lock for security but there is a bell to call staff to open the doors.

Policies, newsletters and memos are normally printed in size 16 Verdana but are all on the computer so backgrounds and print sizes and colours can be adjusted to suit anyone who needs them and can also be available in Braille or different languages upon request.

Walls and floors are in contrasting colours (usually yellow or pastel walls and blue or green floors, and door handles (silver) contrast with the doors (brown) for high visibility. To define between the different areas in the playrooms there is lino for the craft and messy plat activities and carpet for the other general free play and quiet time. Please do not hesitate to ask the Manager if there is any further support you need to enable you and your children to fully access our service.

There are three ways to access the training room at Royal Bournemouth Hospital. Wheelchair access can be obtained through the main entrance and on through the baby unit. The other two entrances are too narrow for wheelchairs and one also has stairs. In the training room there is seated adult height large computer desk and several shelves with resources all at a low level for learners to use for their training needs.