

Key benefits of our nursery at Martin's Heron

- ❖ We have a fantastic, highly qualified staff team who have been working together for a long time to provide quality care and learning for your child.
- Our main aim is 'learning is fun' first and foremost we want children to enjoy their learning experiences in a caring and nurturing environment.
- ❖ The government requires a minimum of 50% of nursery staff to hold a childcare qualification; 75% of our staff are fully qualified and one team member is in the process of qualifying. All our staff have numerous opportunities to further their training.
- ❖ We have a large car park area for parents; making drop-off and pick-up very easy.
- Our location, alongside the Tesco Superstore, is very convenient for parents' and carers' shopping.
- The nursery has a secluded outside play area offering different areas for the children to explore outdoor learning opportunities.
- ❖ We offer a Parent and Toddler Group session on Wednesday afternoons.
- We work with the children in various large and small groups and individually to prepare them for school and to help them achieve their full potential.
- ❖ Our activities include nature walks, learning phonic sounds and we have an introduction to reading books scheme. We offer extra-curricular activities, including French lessons, an annual summer outing, sports day and visits to the theatre and REME museum.
- Children's progress is formally reviewed half-termly. We hold termly meetings where parents and carers meet with their child's Key Person to discuss their progress and development.
- Children are encouraged to become independent from a young age with toileting, feeding themselves at snack time, choosing resources, etc. and all children fulfil an important role in the daily routines of tidying up and washing up.
- ❖ We have an open door policy allowing parents and carers to visit at any time during the nursery session.
- ❖ We hold a 5* food hygiene award and a gold award for healthy eating. Snacks are prepared freshly every day and we encourage the children to eat healthily. We support each individual child to be involved in their own food preparation.
- The Principal of the nursery holds termly coffee mornings, where parents and carers can meet to make new friends and discuss what their children are doing.
- We provide opportunities for parents and carers to take part in activities in the nursery and to help with outings and fund raising.