

Why Tiggy's?

We aim to make your child's first learning experience, a stimulating and enjoyable one whilst providing the very highest quality care in a small nursery that prides itself on the individual attention afforded to every child.

We follow Montessori philosophy in all that we do and are the only Montessori nursery locally, you would have to go to Birmingham or Cheshire to find another!

An enforced change of premises in 2024, means we can no longer mention our triple outstanding Ofsted reports but the same staff team, same resources and same philosophy are all at our new location.

We are Ofsted registered and await an inspection as a 'new' setting despite being under the same ownership for 19 years and in existence for 35 years!

What's different about us? – We're Montessori!

Children have the freedom to choose their own play for most of the day in a relaxed, happy and friendly atmosphere which creates a calm but harmonious nursery environment. By supporting children to make their own choices, Tiggy's children develop their independence and thinking skills from an early age, a key factor in Montessori education. Children progress at their own rate, individual learning forms the basis of all adult support with adult: child ratios exceeding the legal minimum requirements so we can give your child more attention when needed.

Children explore our Montessori learning areas – Practical Life, Sensorial, Mathematics, Language, Cultural and Creative, in addition to a wide

variety of other high quality resources inside and outside. Small group Montessori curriculum teaching takes place in a child's final year before school to develop their knowledge & understanding of the world. We have a cooking activity most weeks on different days so everyone can join in. Our secure outdoor area is open in all weathers to ensure plenty of fresh air and exercise and there are regular walks around the local area as well as weekly Forest School trips for our older children.

Young and old are fully integrated at Tiggy's, with younger ones learning from the older ones and the older ones gaining a sense of responsibility by showing their younger friends what to do and helping them when necessary.

A little bit more about us...

Tiggy's has been owned by Nicola for over 19 years and she and 2 of the staff team have been here longer, over 23 years! The current team consists of 8 mature, friendly and very experienced, qualified nursery practitioners. All have a Level 3 childcare qualification and 3 have Level 6 qualifications of which 2 are Montessori teachers. 2 staff are also qualified Forest School leaders. Most of the staff have children (some school age or all grown up!) and have worked together for many years at Tiggy's and cared for 100's of children, as we love what we do.

We always have the time to talk with, listen to and play with the children because of our low ratios and so we get to know every child really well whilst they are with us. We know the right time to step in to support a child but more importantly for their development, when to let them be independent and try things for themselves.



We place great importance on being polite, kind and helpful – part of the Montessori curriculum relates to 'grace and courtesy' and we support children in learning about being respectful of each other, adults and the nursery environment. Tiggy's children are well known for their high standards of behaviour when they start at local schools.



We use an online record keeping system My Montessori Child to track and record your child's progress. All parents have individual password access to their child's record. Every child also has a photo book (yellow book to the children) to accompany the online system. Both meet all requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage and build into a wonderful memento of their nursery years.

We involve parents and carers as much as you want to be involved but always aim to work in partnership to best support the needs of your child.

90% of a child's brain connections will be made by the time they are five. The development and learning that takes place during this time at home and in a childcare setting, will have a significant influence on their future.

For more information, photos and our latest news please go to www.tiggysmontessori.co.uk, look at our Facebook and Instagram pages or better still, arrange a visit!

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We offer:

- ✓ A Montessori education – a gentle and caring approach to learning which focuses on each child and their individual needs with an emphasis on learning through play in a specially prepared and stimulating environment for children from 2 years
- ✓ Experienced and friendly, qualified staff
- ✓ A calm and relaxed atmosphere full of fun and happiness with children of all ages playing, learning and being busy
- ✓ Freedom for children to choose what they play with inside or outside throughout the day
- ✓ Open 8.30 – 4.00 during school term times
- ✓ 2*, 3* & 4 year old funded places
- ✓ Weekly off site Forest School for all children in their final year

* subject to age & eligibility criteria being met