

Proposal use of extension

Once Upon a Time Day Nurseries, Hackland House, 346, Yeading Lane, Hayes, UB49AY, caters for over 70 children and their families.

The setting is on 2 floors with 2 playrooms for the children.

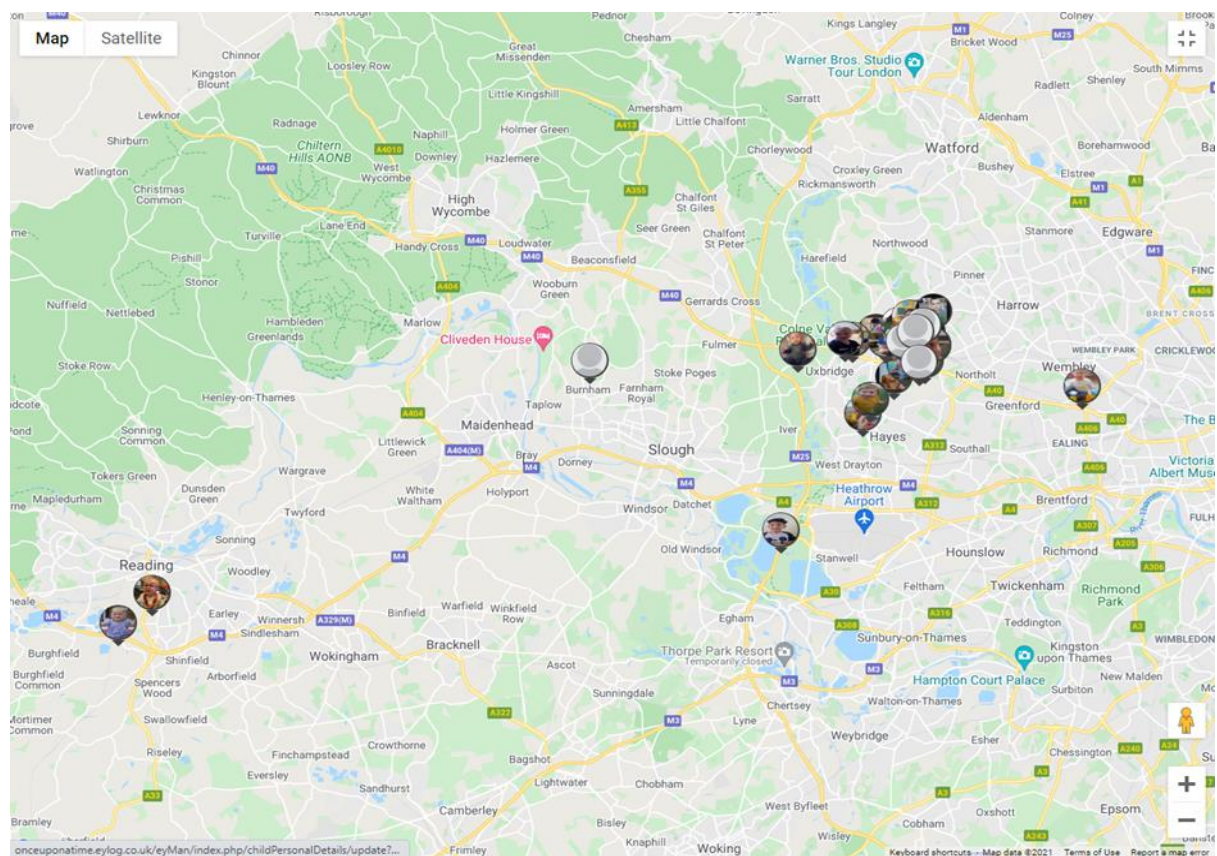
Upstairs is the preschool room (Butterfly room) with rising 3's and over that use the room and downstairs is the baby/toddler room (Caterpillar room) with under 3-year-old children.

The maximum attendance at any one time is 46 children, 21 max in Caterpillar room and 25 max in Butterfly room.

The setting is open all year round, 52 weeks of the year, and only closed bank holidays.

The operating hours are 7.45 am to 6pm. There are 3 options to parents and families, for attendance, Am sessions, Pm sessions or all day.

Majority of those families are within the Hillingdon borough but there are also families with the setting from Slough, Ealing, Hounslow, Berkshire and Buckinghamshire.



Of those 70 families, 11 of them are under a safeguarding register and are receiving support from children's services.

8 of the children are on the Special Educational Needs register and receive support from multi professionals.

12 of the families are non-English speaking and a further 8 families are vulnerable, including 4 children who are in receipt of Early Years Pupil Premium.

Once Upon a time have a large percentage of children who are using 2-year-old funding. Most of the families are receiving extra support from the setting due to safeguarding issues and/or family support or the children are on our SEND register.

The manager is the safeguarding lead and also the head SENDco, along with the management team in supporting roles.

A monthly time table of support given is calculated out that averagely the management team spend around 9 Hours per week working with the multi professionals who are supporting the families.

Space to hold meetings within the setting can be challenging as the office is quite a small space, only holding 4 adults comfortably. Our ideal solution now is to hold meetings in the holidays as our children's numbers are lower, due to a lot of children term time only, we are then able to combine the children in one room and hold meetings in the other room. As a setting this is problematic as combining the children means moving furniture and toys around to ensure that all ages are safe and catered to.

Having extra space in a multipurpose building will benefit the setting and enable a more professional environment to cater the families and their needs.

All meetings with parents or professionals can be conducted within the space in a more confidential environment.

We would be able to hold an abundance of meetings to support the needs of our families including:

- Team around the child meetings – Professionals can meet together to discuss the needs of the child
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- Core groups – making sure that families are supported on their safeguarding plans
- Transitional meetings for those children who are moving on to school or other settings, this is useful for SEN children
- A supervised contact meeting place

Having a multipurpose room will benefit the setting to meet with other multi professionals to support the setting:

- Training for staff to benefit the families and children
- Meetings with LA Advisory teachers
- Buddy systems with others settings and lead practitioners

As stated above the setting has a lot of children on the SEN register and other children who are also receiving extra support from the setting. Putting appropriate strategies into place and individual programmes can be difficult due to space and the amount of business from the play room. To be able to have a safe and calm place to input interventions will be beneficial for the likes of:

- Bucket time
- Attention Hillingdon

- Pals
- Individual strategies
- WELLCOMM
- High Interest activity space
- Communion Friendly Spaces
- Children to have specialised therapy sessions: OT, SALT, PT etc..
- Specialised training from a Paediatric team to support specialised medications such as feeding tubes, injections etc..

Once Upon a Time strive in professional development with all the staff and provide training under Time Training LTD. They specialise in training the staff in Childcare qualifications such as Level1,2,3,5 and PANCO training. This space will be used weekly by time training to ensure quality teaching and practice filters to each of the settings within the company. All practitioners share good practice with each other through peer-on-peer observations, having this space will give a more positive attitude to constructive feedback.

Time training also deliver Paediatric first aid training, which currently reached out to other companies and childminders in the area, it is hoped to develop this and offer first aid training for parents. Time training are also currently looking further afield and creating workshops to support parents, this would include different aspects of child development,

The setting works in partnership with the local community and often share experiences for the children to learn by. Having this space means that we can introduce more of the local area to our children and families, such as a visit from the dentist or local library.

The setting is looking at working closely with children's centres and creating an environment where health visitors can visit to support home life and offer guidance to families.

The setting would like to offer extra curriculum activities to the children and families such as music and movement or sport activities, this extension would promote a safe space to do this.

Once Upon a time will not be extending the numbers of children that can attend the setting, we will however be able to offer more to support the families that attend and the surrounding community