

Do you find the thought of transition from one room to another or from nursery to school a bit apprehensive? What Transition looks like at Fixbees Day Care

At this time of year thoughts inevitably start turning towards the end of the academic year and parents often comment that they don't think their little ones will ever be ready for school.

At Fixbees we do everything we can to ensure your children are as ready as they can be for the next step – whether that's moving up from the baby room into the toddler room, or from toddlers into pre-school room, or the move up to infant or primary school. Any change can be daunting or overwhelming to the young child and parents but we make sure the process is gradual and explained along the way.

- Children are in our baby room from birth to around 24 months. This ensures that when they are tiny they are given the care they need – with separate feeding, changing and sleeping areas. As they naturally develop into toddlers their routines are adapted accordingly – less sleep, more play! By the time a child is nearing their 2nd birthday they spend some time in the Tweenie room so when they make the move up it already feels familiar.
- Children who are in our Tweenie room from roughly 24 to 36 months. This short period sees a lot of change in children, especially in terms of their communication and physical development. Many, but not all, are ready to be potty trained during this time. Your child's key-worker will, at all stages, work closely with parents to ensure everyone knows where your individual child is on their development path. As children near 36 months they are ready for new challenges – mentally and physically and they spend time with the pre-school room to prepare them for this.
- Our pre-school room is kitted out with many different areas for role-play fun, adult led games, messy activities, cosy areas, writing tables with us offering the Curiosity Approach too. Everything we do is geared towards learning through play and discovery and our pre-school workers liaise closely with local schools to ensure the transition up to 'big-school' is as smooth as it can be.

To ensure a smooth transition Baby room and Tweenie room have a transition map that then goes to the next room that the children/child will be progressing into, this information is then passed onto all the staff within the child's room to enable the child to have a smooth transition.

Key-workers and close collaboration with parents help us all ensure your children are given the support they personally need at every step of their journey. When they do make the

move up to primary school or infant school reception classes it is a natural progression of their learning and discovery.