

Nursery Aims and Values

- To provide quality childcare for children aged 0-2 years, ensuring that the individual needs of each child are met.
- To provide a stimulating learning environment, offering a range of resources to suit the stage of development of your child of your children.
- To provide a safe, caring, nurturing environment which values the contribution of all
- To promote an open-door policy where all feel welcome, respected and included
- To work in partnership with families to meet their individual needs
- To foster positive links with partner agencies and our local community
- To promote learning through quality, meaningful play experiences where children have the freedom to express their own thoughts and ideas and creativity is valued
- To support all to reach their full potential
- To promote attainment and achievement for all

Young Mothers' Provision

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If you feel you need any additional information about the YMU and what it could provide either for yourself or someone you know, please do not hesitate to call, and ask for Mrs. Honeyman (436196) or Miss King (435684).

What the young mothers' say...

"you don't have to worry about your baby when you are in class because they are in safe hands"

"... school gives you many opportunities"

"It's more flexible and you can have one to one support which is very good as when you don't have a class you can go to the YMP room and study"

Baldragon Academy

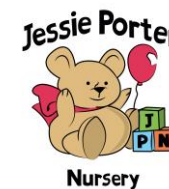
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Baldragon Academy Young Mothers' Provision

Jessie Porter Nursery Babyroom

Information Leaflet

For staff, parents, carers, pupils, and
community

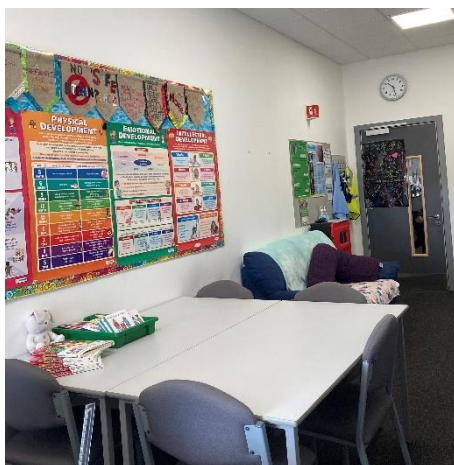


Who we are

The Young Mothers' Provision at Baldragon Academy caters for the extra needs of pregnant schoolgirls and young mothers who are still in school. To support their attendance their babies are cared for within the babyroom in Jessie Porter Nursery.

Within Baldragon Academy the Provision is supported by a Depute Head Teacher, Principal Teacher of Guidance and Young Mothers Support Worker. The babyroom within Jessie Porter Nursery is supported by a Head Teacher, Senior Early Years Practitioner and Early Years Practitioners.

This unique facility is provided by Dundee City Council Children and Families Service to support young mothers in Dundee continue their education. The nursery provision is registered with the Care Inspectorate and is regularly inspected. All staff within early years are registered with the appropriate regulatory bodies.



What we offer to young mothers

We offer you the chance to continue with your education both before and after your baby is born.



You will attend mainstream classes and follow an enhanced curriculum. The 'free' periods you will have will be used as study time or following this appropriate alternative curriculum.

Within Jessie Porter Nursery there is a very well-equipped baby room to meet your babies care and development needs. You can have contact with your baby at lunchtimes and, you can, if you wish, visit the nursery at other times during the day. You will also spend time with your baby during a dedicated nursery period.



As well as studying your main subjects, you will also have contact with representatives of various agencies who offer advice regarding pregnancy and/or childcare issues. We also offer you other activities such as swimming for you and your child.

A day in the life...

Here is the way one young mother described her day.

- ❖ Pick up by taxi from home to be taken to Jessie Porter Nursery. Go to the nursery and settle your baby there, then walk a short path to Baldragon.
- ❖ When the bell rings you will attend mainstream classes and have extra time for study in the YMP Learning Base.
- ❖ There is a flexible approach to seeing your baby during the day where your timetable allows for this.



- ❖ At lunchtime you have an early lunch without queuing and can see your friends but then you come to the nursery to spend time with your baby.
- ❖ At the end of each day, you leave class early to collect your baby from the nursery and get your taxi home.
- ❖ We have regular meetings for all the girls within the Provision giving you the chance to support each other and share experiences.
- ❖ We meet with various partner agencies and are offered enhanced curricular activities, such as: healthy eating for pregnancy; baby weaning cookery; baby sensory, child development etc.

