

.....As a visitor approaches the unit the extensive, multi-surface outdoor area comes into view. It follows the contours of the petal shaped building and stretches the length of the F/Y1 area/ A centrally placed, covered storage area is easily accessible by staff and children. Some children are enjoying a variety of activities on the areas of tarmac, decking, rubber and grass; others sit in the large sandpit watching their friends riding around the bike track.

The quiet willow garden/sensory area with its calming water feature is very popular. The excellent outdoor facilities include a large adventure play area, large construction area, a garden for digging and growing, good seating and a Knowledge and Understanding Discovery Hut. A large canopy of sails provides an area of shelter for wet days.

The recycling bins are further evidence of the emphasis on caring for the environment. An outdoor tap makes for ease of access to water play.

The visitor enters the building through the F1(nursery) electronic doors, noting the covered veranda area where parents can sit and wait with their children.....