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## All About Us

Shepton Beauchamp Pre - School is a popular, well-established village Pre - School which opened its doors as a playgroup over thirty years ago.

It has been under the leadership of Shelley Bacon for over twenty years. The group is placed at the heart of the local community with close links to Shepton Beauchamp First School, whilst also filtering to other schools in the area.

We provide a happy, caring and secure environment in which each child can develop and learn at their own pace while being part of a community-based group.



We are a registered charity managed by a voluntary and elected committee made up of parents. We welcome new members at any time and constantly need the support of new parents to keep the Pre - School running. We are also a member of the Pre - School Learning Alliance (PLA), an organisation that promotes good practice.

*"The children receive praise and encouragement from the staff for efforts and achievement which helps build their self-esteem."*

*"Children enjoy a good balance of self-chosen and adult led activities, linked by topics and themes to provide meaningful activities which encourage children's knowledge and understanding of the world."*

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Our friendly, experienced and motivated staff implement the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum and we are also proud to have an average ratio of 1 adult to 6 children (the registered ratio being 1 - 8). The Pre - School is registered to take up to 24 children per session and we welcome all children whatever their individual needs may be.

*"The Staff are skilled at recognising the children's achievements and note them to record their progress using systems that relate closely to the stepping stones towards the Early Learning Goals."*

*"The leadership and management of the setting is good. The manager and deputy support the staff well, enabling each member of the team to contribute fully to the running of the group. The staff team work well together, providing a highly stimulating environment for the children."*

*"The Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator is experienced and attends ongoing training, she liaises with staff, parents and any connected professionals to ensure that all children are fully included."*  
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All the staff regularly attend training courses and are all First Aid trained.



Parents comments:

*"Both my children have been very happy at the Pre-School. The staff get the balance just right - the children learn through fun experiences whilst feeling part of an extended family"*

*"My daughter took to Pre-3's and Pre - School like a duck to water, she would go everyday given half a chance! The staff are wonderful, I'm happy and confident in the knowledge that she is being cared for in such a fun and loving environment"*

*"I have always felt very confident and happy leaving my child in their care. A well structured and very well run Pre-School with excellent links to Shepton Beauchamp First School"*

*"When I moved to this area, not knowing anyone, I really appreciated that the Pre-School staff were very friendly and approachable and keen to welcome both myself and my daughter into well-run childcare."*

